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STATE OF ALABAMA)
JEFFERSON COUNTY)

Before the undersigned authority in and for said County and State personally appeared George Huddleston who being duly sworn testifies as follows:

That prior to affiant's conveyance of same to L. L. Snyder on January 21, 1949 no part of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$, Section 9, Township 19, Range 1 West in Shelby County, Alabama was ever enclosed or under cultivation; that same was a woodland commonly known as cut-over land; that affiant bought this land from Alabama Mineral Land Company who was then in possession of it on April 22, 1921 and received a warranty deed therefor recorded in Deed Book 68 page 383 in the Office of the Probate Judge of Shelby County, Alabama; ~~that~~ that upon the purchase of said lands affiant went into possession thereof and continued in open, notorious, exclusive and adverse possession until January 21, 1949 when affiant sold same to L. L. Snyder; that affiant's acts of possession of said lands consisted in going over it at frequent intervals, showing it to prospective purchasers, offering it for sale, having the saw timber thereon cut and sold, having the lines run by the County Surveyor, having same assessed for taxes and paying such taxes for every year during said period, maintaining thereon "no trespass" signs, and generally exercising open, notorious, exclusive and hostile possession thereof continuously during said period and claiming to own same as against all persons.

That affiant never heard of anyone claiming ownership of said lands during said time; that same were known to neighbors and joining landowners as affiant's lands.

Affiant further states that A. P. Brasher and Ella Brasher who were husband and wife have been deceased for many years, probably 20 years; that neither A. P. Brasher nor Ella Brasher ever had any interest in such lands and were never in possession of any part of same and never performed any acts of ownership thereof nor assessed or paid any taxes thereon.

George Huddleston

Subscribed and sworn to before me this the 24th day of June, 1953.

H. A. Osmunt
Notary Public

Filed in the office of the Probate Judge on the 11 day of July 1953 at 8 o'clock P. M.
and recorded in Deed Book 161 Page 221 this 16 day of July 1953.
Deed Tax Mortgage Tax has been paid.

L.C. Walker, Judge of Probate