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STATE OF ALABAMA

SHELBY COUNTY

Before the undersigned authority, personally appeared Kate Nivens, who is known to me and who after being by me first duly sworn deposes and says:

I am acquainted with Jesse Nivens who died intestate in the year 1902. He left surviving him a widow, Mary Elizabeth Nivens who died in 1927. At the time of the death of said Jesse Nivens, he owned and was in possession of the following land situated in Shelby County, Alabama:

The Northeast Quarter of Section 16.  
The Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter, Section 15;  
All of the above land being in Township 21, Range 1 East.

During and throughout February and March, 1947 the sole heirs at law and next of kin of said Jesse Nivens were as follows:

1. The Widow and children of George Nivens, a son of Jesse Nivens, who died in 1902 a few months after his father died and left surviving as his sole heirs at law and next of kin, the following:
  - a. Bessie Nivens Bond, the surviving widow of said George Nivens who throughout February and March, 1947 was a widow.
  - b. Vera Nivens Choate, a daughter, whose husband is J. C. Choate.
  - c. Velma Nivens Steele, a daughter, whose husband is William Steele.
  - d. Estelle Nivens Glaspie, a daughter, whose husband is Claude L. Glaspie.
2. James Nivens, known also as Jim Nivens, a son of said Jesse Nivens, an unmarried man.
3. Jesse Nivens Martin, a daughter of said Jesse Nivens died and left surviving as her sole heirs at law and next of kin the following children.
  - a. Jesse Martin, a son, whose wife is Hattie Lee Martin.
  - b. Onzelle Martin Argo, a daughter, whose husband was Oma Argo.
  - c. Luther Martin, a son, whose wife is Lois Martin.
  - d. Eva Martin Songer, a daughter, whose husband is Fred Songer.
  - e. Egan Martin, a son, whose wife is Mamie Martin.
  - f. Roy Martin, a son, whose wife is Mary Lee Martin.
  - g. Bessie Martin Baker, a daughter, a divorced woman.
  - h. Bessie Martin Roberson, a daughter, whose husband is Frank F. Roberson.



- i. Ruth Martin Mooney, a daughter, whose husband is John D. Mooney.
- j. Nathan Martin, a son, whose wife is Deannie Martin.
- k. Louise Martin Sherer, a daughter, whose husband is Charles Sherer.
4. Knox Nivens, a son of said Jesse Nivens, left surviving as his sole heirs at law and next of kin the widow and the children as follows:
  - a. Mae Nivens House, the widow of said Knox Nivens.
  - b. Isadore Nivens, a son, whose wife is Nell Nivens.
  - c. Malene Nivens Heaton, a daughter, whose husband is Ross Heaton.
  - d. Jewell Nivens Bradley, a daughter, whose husband is Coburn Bradley.
  - e. Otha K. Nivens, a son, whose wife is Laverne Nivens.
  - f. Elizabeth Nivens Clements, a daughter, whose husband is Clyde Clements.
5. Luther Nivens, a son of said Jesse Nivens, whose wife is Erma Nivens.
6. Elizabeth (Lizzie) Nivens Ray, a daughter, who left surviving her as her sole heirs at law and next of kin, her husband and one child as follows:
  - a. Roy Ray, widower of Elizabeth Nivens Ray.
  - b. Velma Ray Burns, a daughter, whose husband is Carl Burns.
7. Walter Nivens, a son of said Jesse Nivens, whose wife is Kate Nivens.
8. Ethel Nivens Wofford, a daughter of said Jesse Nivens, whose husband is J. W. Wofford.

All of the heirs at law and next of kin of said Jesse Nivens as above enumerated and set out were over 21 years of age in February and March, 1947 and none of them occupied as a home stead any of the land described in this affidavit. None of them lived on the property at that time.

In the above statement of the heirs of Jesse Nivens, I find that I omitted Ludie Nivens, a daughter of said Jesse Nivens who died intestate, unmarried and without issue. *She was over 21 years of age in Feb + March, 1947*

I am the wife of Walter Nivens, one of the sons of Jesse Nivens and am entirely familar with the family history of Jesse Nivens and his heirs and I know that the above is true.

Kate Nivens  
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Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 27th day of June, 1953.

Handy Ellis  
Notary Public, State at Large

Filed in the office of the Probate Judge on the 14 day of July 1953 at 11 o'clock AM.  
and recorded in Book 161 Page 265 this 16 day of July 1953.  
Deed Tax \_\_\_\_\_ Mortgage Tax \_\_\_\_\_ has been paid.

L.C. Walker, Judge of Probate