

STATE OF ALABAMA

SHELBY COUNTY

Personally came and appeared before me, S.A. Lokey, a notary public in and for the State of Alabama at Large, Hugh Massey, a widower, who, after being first by me duly sworn according to law to speak the truth deposes and says:

That I am a son of James Massey and Mattie Massey, that the said James Massey is the grantee in that certain deed from J.F. Wells and wife A.O. Wells, dated October 30, 1901, and recorded in the office of the Judge of Probate of Shelby County, Alabama, in Deed Book 49, page 307. My father, the said James Massey went in possession of said land described in this deed and lived upon, cultivated parts, pastured parts and cut timber from parts and in every way used said land as a homestead. About the year 1915, my father, the said James Massey conveyed to his wife, my mother, Mattie Massey all that part of the Northwest quarter of Northwest Quarter, Section 8, Township 21, Range 2 West, lying South and East of the right of way of the Saginaw Lumber Company Logging Railroad and containing 20 acres, more or less. This deed is recorded in said Probate Office in Deed Book 55, page 421. The house was situated on this land and father and mother continued to live thereon and cultivated parts and in every way used it as a homestead. During the year, 1936, my mother, the said Mattie Massry departed this life intestate, leaving surviving her as her sole heirs at law, the following sons and daughters, to-wit:-

Jim Massey
Hugh Massey, (affiant)
Frank Massey
Myrtle Massey Brantley
Mattie Massey Stagner
Bob Massey
Naoma Massey Seales
Eugene Massey, and
Ida Massey Emory

Soon after my mother's death, all of said heirs executed a deed to my father, James Massey, which is recorded in the office of the Judge of Probate of Shelby County, Alabama, in Deed Book 101, page 593, conveying all that part of the Northwest quarter

of Northwest Quarter, Section 8, which lies South and East of the right of way of Saginaw Lumber Company Logging Railroad, in Township 21, Range 2 West. In the early part of 1937, my father conveyed the above described land with other lands to my brother, Eugene Massey. The said Eugene Massey lived on above described land with my father at the time and soon after the execution of said deed, my father died and the said Eugene Massey continued to live on the above described land and all the heirs of my father executed a quit claim deed in the fall of 1937, which is recorded in Deed Book 104, page 10 in the Probate Office of Shelby County, Alabama. In the year, 1938, the said Eugene Massey executed a deed to David L. Whitfield, which is recorded in Deed Book 105, page 102; conveying the above described land. The said Eugene Massey continued to live on the above described land as a tenant of David L. Whitfield until October 26, 1945, when the said David L. Whitfield and wife conveyed to affiant, Hugh Massey, by deed recorded in Deed Book 125, page 260, the following described tract of land:

Part of the Northwest Quarter of Northwest Quarter, Section 8, Township 21, Range 2 West described as beginning at the Southwest corner of said forty acres and running North about 150 feet to the North line of a settlement road known as Massey road for a point of beginning of the lot herein conveyed; thence continue North along West line of said forty acres 250 feet, more or less to the South line of the old Saginaw Lumber Logging Railroad, thence Northeast along South line of said old road bed 229 feet; thence South 512 feet to the North line of said settlement road; thence West along the North line of said last mentioned road 229 feet, more or less to the point of beginning and containing 2 acres, more or less, situated in Shelby County, Alabama.

The above described description in said deed was made from a survey made by Mr. J.R. McMillen, County Surveyor.

Soon thereafter, affiant built a house on the last above described land and moved in said house and lived there with his son, Hubert Massey, Jr., and continued to live in said house on said lot until 1949, when affiant conveyed above described lot to his son, the said Hubert Massey, Jr. The son and affiant continued to live in said house on said property until about 3 or 4 years

ago and we tore the house down and rebuilt and have occupied the new house on said land since said date.

On June 10, 1952, the said Hubert Massey, Jr. and his wife, reconveyed the above described lot to affiant by deed which is recorded in the office of the Judge of Probate of Shelby County, Alabama, in Deed Book 155, page 82, and thereafter affiant and his son have continued to live in said home.

The possession of affiant and his predecessors in title, as above stated, has been for more than fifty years actual, continuous, exclusive, open, notorious, peaceful, quiet, adverse, hostile and under color of title and claim of ownership, and no person has at any time claimed any right, title or interest in or to said land adverse to said owners.

Witnesses:

S. A. Loney
Jane Stinson

Hubert Massey
mark

Sworn to and subscribed before me on this 13th day of September, 1953.

S. A. Loney
Notary Public

Filed in the office of the Probate Judge on the 13 day of Oct 19 53 at 2 o'clock P M.
and recorded in Deed Book 162 Page 535 this 15 day of Oct 1953.
Deed Tax _____ Mortgage Tax _____ has been paid.
L.C. Walker, Judge of Probate