

AFFIDAVIT

State of Alabama)
Jefferson County) SS

J. R. Grady, who first being duly sworn by me deposes and says that:

I, J. R. Grady, am now a resident of Jefferson County, Alabama. I had been a resident of Shelby County, Alabama for a continuous period of about 37 years prior to the latter part of 1952 when I removed to Jefferson County, Alabama. I resided at Route #1, Montevallo, Shelby County, Alabama on a six acre plot of ground which I owned in the N. 1/2 of Section 28, Township 21, Range 3 West in Shelby County which is located and situated at Ryan Crossing. My home place, above described, is adjacent to and adjoining the S-1/2 of the SW-1/4 of Section 28, Township 21, Range 3 West.

The S-1/2 of the SW-1/4 of Section 28, Township 21, Range 3 West has been owned, occupied by Clarence O. Steele for about five years. He purchased that land from C. H. Bailey and wife Neva T. Bailey on September 29, 1948 by warranty deed recorded in Book 132 page 472 in the Probate Office of Shelby County, Alabama. I also know of my own knowledge that C. H. Bailey and his wife Neva T. Bailey purchased that land from Alberta Rucks on December 29, 1947 by warranty deed recorded in Book 132 page 45 in the Probate Office of Shelby County, Alabama.

I was a resident of Shelby County, Alabama for 37 years prior to the end or latter part of 1952, residing at my home situated on a six acre tract of land in the N.-1/2 of the SW 1/4 of Section 28, Township 21, Range 3 west near to and adjoining the S-1/2 of the SW-1/4 of Section 28, Township 21, Range 3, West. I have personal knowledge that Clarence O. Steele and his wife Anna A. Steele and their predecessors in title have been in actual open, notorious, peaceful, adverse possession of all of said S.-1/2 of the SW-1/4 of Section 28, Township 21, Range 3, West except that part owned and now occupied by the Ryan Church and its trustees, for a period of more than twenty (20) years. That the said Clarence O. Steele and his wife, Anna A. Steele and their predecessors in title have during the time of respective ownership, cultivated same and exercised all of the usual acts of ownership thereof.

I, J. R. Grady further state and affirm that I have never owned any land and have never had any title to, or interest in any real property in the S-1/2 of the SW-1/4 of Section 28, Township 21, Range 3, West. When I executed that certain deed to O. C. Reed dated January 16, 1952 and recorded on Book 156 Page 393 in the Probate Office of Shelby County describing one acre more or less it was not my intention to describe any land in the S-1/2 of the SW-1/4 of Section 28, Township 21, Range 3, West, but I intended to sell and convey an acre of land in the North 1/2 of ~~XXXXXXX~~ the SW-1/4 of Said Section 28, Township 21, Range 3, West. I have never owned any land, had any interest in or possession of any land in the S-1/2 of the SW-1/4 of Section 28, Township 21, Range 3, West, Shelby County, Alabama.

J. R. Grady

Signed

Sworn to and subscribed before me on this the 30 day of December 1953

Ralph H. Leavess
Notary Public *Jefferson County*