

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, R.M. Hand, who, after being first by me duly sworn according to law to speak the truth deposes and says:

My name is R.M. Hand. I am 56 years of age. I live at Maylene, Alabama, and have constantly for the past 26 years. I have known the hereinafter described lands for the last 26 years, to-wit:

The South half of Southeast Quarter of Section 20, Township 21 South, Range 3 West.

The above described land has not been in cultivation since I have known it nor has anyone been in actual, continuous possession thereof but the Southern Mineral Land Corporation and the Southern Mineral Land Company. During the time I have known the property, their agents have regularly cruised the same, had lines surveyed, have kept off trespassers, from time to time cut timber from said land. This land is rough, rolling land and unsuitable for cultivation or any other agricultural purposes and is best suited for growing timber and that is the purpose for which the Southern Mineral Land Corporation has used said land and they have continuously taken care of it and used it as timber growing land.

During the 26 years that I have lived at Maylene, I have been on and about this land frequently and I know that no one by the name of John Robertson, John L. Robertson, John R. Robertson or Amanda Jane Robertson have at any time been in possession of any part of said land and I know of no one by any one of the above names lived anywhere near the above described land, in fact, I do not know anyone by any one of the above names.

R.M. Hand

Sworn to and subscribed before me on this 9th day of February, 1954.

S.A. Lokey
Notary Public