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STATE OF ALABAMA)

COUNTY OF SHELBY)

Before me, the undersigned authority in and for said County in said State, personally appeared S. C. Glenn, who, being by me first duly sworn on oath, deposes and says:

That he is 67 years of age and resides in Shelby County, Alabama; that he presently owns and lives in a house located on the SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of the SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 8, Township 22, Range 2 West, and has lived either in his present home or in the near vicinity for a period exceeding 17 years; that the property on which he presently resides adjoins the following described property situated in Shelby County, Alabama, to-wit:

The N $\frac{1}{2}$  of the SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 8, Township 22, Range 2 West;

that he is well acquainted with the ownership and possession of said property; that when he first came to know the property it was in the possession of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Jones; that Mrs. Jones was the widow of Eli Bynum, Jr., who, he understands, acquired the aforesaid property about 1922, and who resided on the property until his death over 25 years ago; that he understands that Eli Bynum, Jr., died without a will; that shortly after his death Eli Bynum, Jr.'s widow married C. L. Jones, and she, together with Mr. Jones, continued to live on the aforesaid property; that C. L. Jones or "Charlie" Jones is the proper designation of the party referred to, that any reference to "L. C." Jones is in error, and undoubtedly both references are to one and the same man; that at the time Mr. Bynum died he left as his sole heirs, in addition to his widow, two children, a daughter named Dorothy Bynum, who later married Winston H. Garrett, and a son, James E. Bynum; that it is his understanding that title to the property remained in these children,

subject to the right of the widow of Eli Bynum, Jr., until about 1949, when the two children, Dorothy Bynum Garrett and James E. Bynum, conveyed their interest in the property to their stepfather, C. L. Jones.

That Mr. and Mrs. Jones occupied and possessed the property for over 20 years, and had it under fence during that time; that they lived on the land and did some farming; that about three or four years ago Mr. and Mrs. Jones sold the property to Dora Haney, who went into possession of said property and farmed it until she sold it to Mrs. Lorene Reid Reeves in 1951; that Mrs. Reeves went into possession of the property at that time and had the same farmed on shares; that several tenants resided on the property, one of whom is the present tenant, Mr. H. M. Millwood; also residing on the property, as tenants of Mrs. Reeves, were a Mr. Whitten and a Mr. Culp.

That affiant, during the entire time he has known the property, has not heard anyone claim adverse to the title of the said Eli Bynum, Jr.'s children and widow, and her second husband, C. L. Jones; that the respective owners occupied and possessed the land during their period of ownership, under claim of title, and the possession of the respective owners was continuous, each taking possession immediately upon purchasing the property from the preceding owner.

Affiant states that he is also generally familiar with the following described land situated in Shelby County, Alabama, to-wit:

$E\frac{1}{2}$  of  $NE\frac{1}{4}$  and  $N\frac{1}{2}$  of  $SE\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 8, Township 22, Range 2 West, and the  $NW\frac{1}{4}$  and  $NW\frac{1}{4}$  of  $SW\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 9, Township 22, Range 2 West;

that the property is well known as "the Vincent property"; that D.O. Vincent was in possession of the land from the time he acquired the aforesaid property in 1936 (with the exception of the  $NW\frac{1}{4}$  of



SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 8, Township 22, Range 2 West, which he acquired in 1943) until he sold all of the property in 1951; that during the time he has known the land he never heard of anyone by the name of T. M. Collier, Peter Juzan, Clara Pitts, Pernie B. Hendrick, or Oscar Deramus, claiming any title or right to possession of the property.

That he had heard that Henry J. Meyer owned the NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of the SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 8, Township 22, Range 2 West, many years ago, but that during the time which he has known the property, for the past 17 years, he has not heard anyone by the name of Meyer claim title or right to possession of said quarter section; that C. H. Fulton has never been in possession of or claimed any title to the NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of the SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 8, Township 22, Range 2 West, to his knowledge.

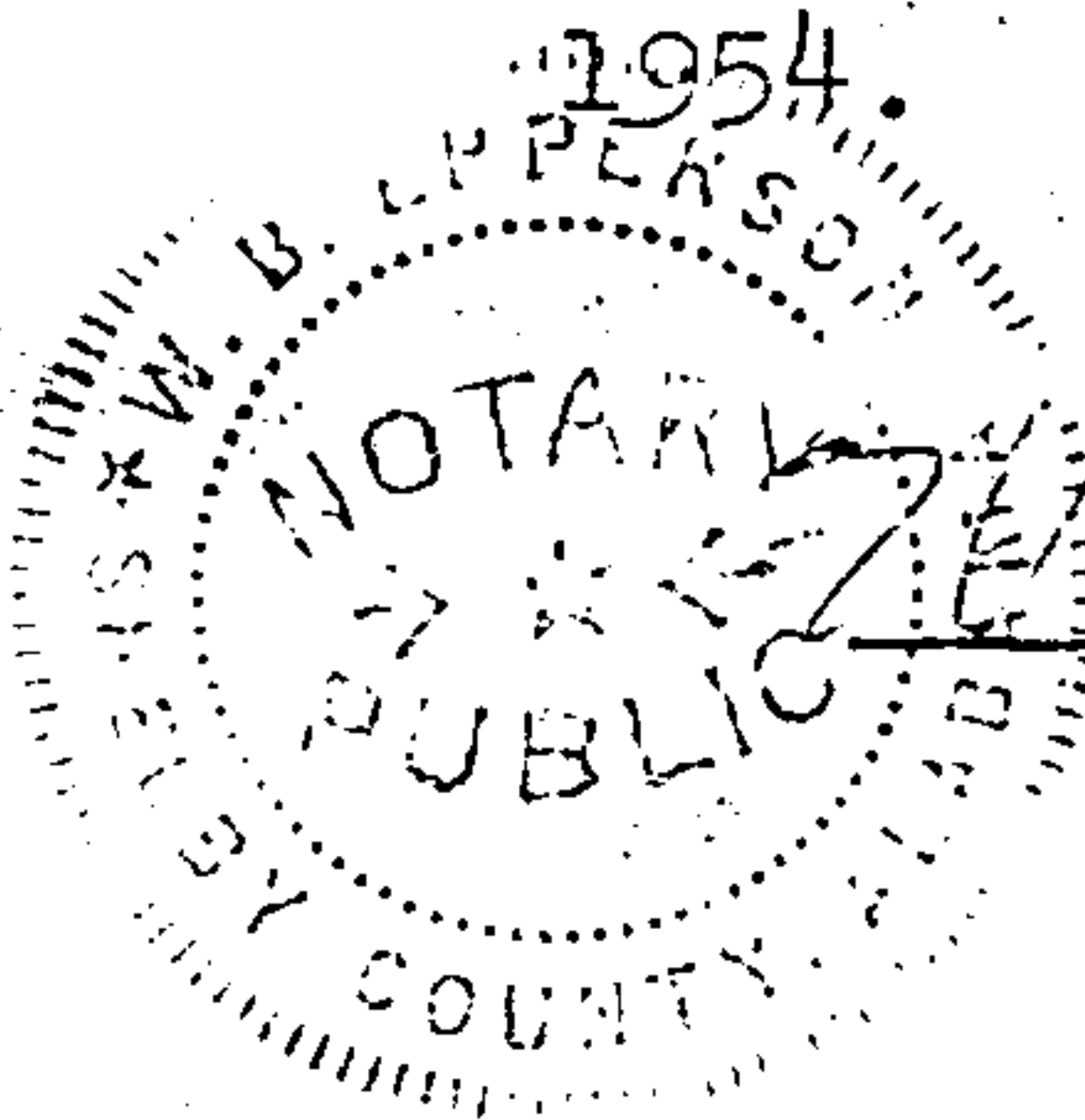
That Amanda Pegram, who is shown in the chain of title to the SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of the SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 8, Township 22, Range 2 West, was a Negro woman, who died 35 or 40 years ago; that she was survived by several children, but that at this time all of her children are dead; that Henry and Mary Page, who were also shown in the chain of title to said property, were colored people, that they have both died and, to his knowledge, all their heirs are dead; that C. H. Harris, who is shown in the chain of title about 1938 and 1939, was the brother of George Harris, and that C. H. Harris was not married in 1939, or at any time, to his knowledge; that he is informed that A. L. Cox purported to mortgage the aforesaid quarter section, and he knows that no one by the name of A. L. Cox has ever been in possession of the property since he has known it, or claimed any title thereto, and in fact that he has never heard of anyone by the name of A. L. Cox.

That during the entire time he has known the property described in this affidavit he has known no one who claimed

adverse to the respective owners of the tracts herein described; that he knows D.O. Vincent claimed and possessed the tract above referred to as being owned by him, kept most of it under fence, farmed it and lived on it, and that he continued in the open, adverse, hostile, and peaceful possession of it until he sold it in 1951.

S.C. Glenn  
Affiant

Subscribed and sworn to before me on  
this the 16<sup>th</sup> day of May,



W.B. Lippert  
Notary Public

Filed in the office of the Probate Judge on the 16 day of June 1954 at 8 o'clock P. M.  
and recorded in Deed Book 167 Page 4 this 22 day of June 1954  
Deed Tax \_\_\_\_\_ Mortgage Tax \_\_\_\_\_ has been paid.  
L.C. Walker, Judge of Probate