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State of Alabama

Shelby County, Alabama

Comes before me, W. W. Rabren, a notary public for the State of Alabama, Amos J. Spradley, Sr. who being first duly sworn deposes and says: I am known as Amos J. Spradley, Sr. and am 71 years of age. I have lived here near Sterrett, Shelby County, Alabama all my life. I know that of my own personal knowledge that during the time J. H. Wilder owned the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ and the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 16, Township 18, Range 2, East, ~~xxxxxx~~ ~~xxxx~~, about the year 1933, that Wilder paid Arlin Watson so many dollars per thousand feet of timber to cut the timber on said lands. I know that Arlin Watson cut the timber on said lands and built roads on the lands and although I do not know the exact year that Mr. C.C. Goodwin cut the timber on said lands and built roads on the lands and ~~xxxx~~ hauled timber from the lands. I know of my own personal knowledge that Mr. J. H. Wilder claimed the said lands as his own and I was sawmilling during the years that Mr. Wilder owned these lands and Mr. Wilder would not sell us the lands and we could only cut timber on lands surrounding these lands. Mr. Wilder claimed these lands as his own and held them openly and notoriously against all the world. I know of my own personal knowledge that these lands are not fit for homesteading as the lands are very hilly and are not fit for anything except growing timber, consequently I do not have any knowledge of anyone living on the lands. There is a big hill going right through the middle of the Southeast quarter of Section 16, Township 18, Range 2, East.

Amos J. Spradley, Sr.

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

W. W. Rabren
W. W. Rabren, notary public

Comes before me, W. W. Rabren, a notary public of the State of Alabama, Mr. S. C. Spradley, who is the brother of Amos Spradley, who being first duly sworn deposes and says: I have read the affidavit made above by Amos J. Spradley, and adopt all of it as my own except the part about Mr. C. C. Goodwin going onto the lands and cutting timber on it, although I know that Mr. Goodwin did cut timber in that vicinity, I do not know of my own personal knowledge that he cut the above described lands. I am 61 years of age and have lived at Sterrett, Shelby County, Alabama, all my lifetime.

S. C. Spradley

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

W. W. Rabren
W. W. Rabren, notary public