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STATE OF ALABAMA SHELBY COUNTY, ALABAMA

COMES NOW MR. WILL HYDE BEFORE ME, W. W. RABREN, A MOTARY PUBLIC FOR THE STATE OF ALABAMA, WHO BEING FIRST DULY SWORN DEPOSES AND SAYS: I AM 54 YEARS OF AGE AND HAVE LIVED HERE AT STERRETT, ALABAMA, SHELBY COUNTY ALABAMA ALL MY LIFETIME. I AM ACQUAINTED WITH THE SET AND THE NET OF THE SWT OF SECTION 16, TOWNSHIP L8, RANGE 2 EAST AND HAVE BEEN SINCE THE YEAR THAT C. C. GOODWIN PURCHASED SAID LANDS FROM F. P. SHEALY WHO WAS THE GRANTEE IN DEED RECORDED IN DEED BOOK 98, PAGE 9, OFFICE OF THE JUDGE OF PROBATE SHELBY COUNTY, ALABAMA. I DO NOT REMEMBER THE YEAR BUT IT WAS SONE TIMES PRIOR TO THE year 1941, WHICH WAS THE YEAR HE SOLD TO E. L. STRINGMELLOW FOR I WAS EMPLOYED BY MR. C. C. GOODWIN AT THE TIME HE PURCHASED SAID LANDS AS A SAWMILL WORKER AS MR. C. C. GOODWIN WAS SAWMILLING AT THAT TIME AND STILL IS. SAID LANDS ARE NOT SUITED FOR CULTIVATION FOR THEX LAND IS NOTHING BUT HILLS AND HOLLOWS: THERE IS NOT EFOUCH LEVEL LAND IN THE ENTIRE TRACT TO MAKE A FIELD. THE YEAR THAT IR. C. C. GOODWIN PURCHASED THE LANDS FROM F. P. SHEALY, HE BEGAN CUTTING THE TIMBER ON SAID LANDS AND I WAS WORMING WITH HIM AND ASSISTED HIM WITH THE CUTTING OF THE TIMBER. I KNOW OF MY OWN PERSONAL KNOWLEDGE THAT WE CUT ROADS ON THE LANDS AND HAULED TIMBER FROM IT. I KNOW THAT THE YEARS THAT MR. C. C. GOCDWIN OWNED THESE LANDS; HE CLAIMED SADD LANDS AS HIS OWN AND HELD SAID LANDS OPEN, AND NOTORIOUSLY ADVERSE TO ALL THE WORLD.

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SWORN AND SUBSCRIBED TO BEFORE ME THIS 9th DAY OF AUGUST ,1954.

RABREN, NOTARY PUBLIC

Filed in the office of the Probate Judge on the day of legge that o'clock M.

and recorded in Book Page 33 this 2 day of legge 19 The last been paid.

Deed Tax ______ Mortgage Tax _____ has been paid.

L.C. Walker, Judge of Probate