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STATE OF ALABAMA)

Affidavit of George W. Collins.

SHELBY COUNTY

Before me the undersigned Notary Public, personally appeared George W. Collins, who is known to me and who by me, first duly sworn deposes and says that he is 80 years of age, and is a resident of Shelby County, Alabama.

Affiant further says that he has owned the S½ of the NW¼ of Section 22, Township 19, Range 2 West., Shelby County, Alabama., Half interest since 1909 and all of it since 1932., and that he and his wife, Mary Emley Collins have lived on adjoining property and that this has been part of his farm and homestead since above dates, that he has had it fenced for many years, and that he has grazed cattle on it for years, and that he has cut and removed fire wood and saw timber from said land every year since ownership.

Affiant further says that the S_2^1 of the NW_4^1 of Section 22, Township 19, Range 2 West, Shelby County, Alabama., has been in his possession as owner since 1932, and that he had owned a half interest in it with his Father, L. C. Collins, prior to 1932, when he bought his Fathers interest from his heirs. And his possession has been in continous, open, notorious, undisputed, actual and physical, exercising all the rights of an owner, such as assessing and paying taxes thereon every year since ownership and using it in connection with his farm operations on adjoining property.

Affiant further says that for more than 45 years, no one has claimed ownership, or any interest in any part of said land other than himself and Father, nor has anyone else ever had possession of said land at any time during the past 45 years.

Affiant further says that he and his Father, L.C.Collins, purchased the property in 1909, that his Father, L.C. Collins, died in about 1913, his wife, Annie Sorrell Collins died about 1925. Leaving George W. Collins, Son (Affiant)., Florence Collins Maddox, and Georgeann Collins Benson, 2 daughters., being the only children, and no children from a deceased child. Georgeann Collins Benson Died about 1899, her husband Mr Benson, died about 1909, leaving one child, who died in 1920, unmarried.

Affiant further says that he purchased the interest of his sister, Florence Collins Maddox, a widow, in 1932., and her children. L.E.Maddox, her son, unmarried, and over the age of 21., Annie Maddox, an unmarried daughter, over the age of 21., Minnie Lee Maddox Oates and her husband, F. C. Oates, joined in the conveyance.

Affiant further says that Geo. W. Collins, G. W. Collins, mentioned in the conveyances of this property is the one and same person as George W. Collins, affiant.

Affiant further says that M. E. Collins, Emmie Collins, Emnie Collins, mentioned in the chain of title in this property is the one and same person as Mary Emley Collins, my wife.

Affiant further says that he has read the above statements and swears that they are true and correct.

George V. Collins

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this the 21 day of April 1955.

2. B. State/at Large.

STATE OF ALABAMA, SHELBY COUNTY

I. L.C. Walker, Judge of Probate, hereby certify that the within was filed for record the day of May 195, at o'clocky had and recorded in the Mecord 123 Vage 5, and the Mortgage Tax of Deed Tax of has been paid.