

STATE OF ALABAMA

SHELBY COUNTY

Before me, Martha B. Joiner, the undersigned authority in and for said County in said State personally appeared G. B. Bentley, who after being by me first duly sworn to speak the truth, deposes and says:

My name is G. B. Bentley: I am 63 years of age. I have lived near this property hereinafter described all of my life and have all along been familiar with it and the persons in possession of it. Said property being described as follows:

S $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 36, Township 20 South,
Range 1 West, Shelby County, Alabama.

Affiant recalls that J. T. Carter and A. B. Hill formerly owned the above described land, but A. B. Hill never lived on the land. Affiant recalls when said land was sold to Jane Holcombe, the wife of Lum Holcombe, as shown by deed dated November 29, 1904, and recorded in Deed Book 31 Page 366 in the Probate Office of Shelby County, Alabama. It is affiant's recollection that Jane Holcombe and her husband, Lum Holcombe conveyed said land back to J. T. Carter. Affiant remembers when J. T. Carter lived on the land and had parts of it under fence and he cultivated portions of it. Affiant says he recalls spending the night in Mr. Carter's home while Mr. Carter was living on said land and affiant has been on and about the property from time to time throughout the years. Affiant recalls when J. T. Carter sold said land to A. P. Longshore in January 1913 as shown by deed recorded in Deed Book 49 Page 620 in said Probate Office. Affiant further says he knows that neither Jane Holcombe, Lum Holcombe, Milner & Christian nor Henry Milner ever made any claim to the land after the said Jane Holcombe and husband Lum Holcombe conveyed it back to J. T. Carter. Affiant further says that the said A. P. Longshore did not live on said land but had it in his possession from the time he owned it until he conveyed^{ed} it to Jake Epperson on May 13, 1915, as shown by deed recorded in Deed Book 50 Page 216 in said Probate Office. He did not own the property but a few months and then he conveyed it back to A. P. Longshore on December 1, 1915, as shown by deed recorded in Deed Book 50 Page 311 in said Probate Office. There has been called to affiant's attention that the deed to A. P. Longshore conveyed the E $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of said Section 36, but affiant knows that the land Jake Epperson owned and the land A. P. Longshore owned and claimed was in the S $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of said Section 36 and affiant knows that the description in said deed was merely a defect and it was intended to convey the S $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of said Section 36. The said A. P. Longshore claimed said land and

was in possession of it for several years. Affiant is informed that the said A. P. Longshore sold the land to Nellie W. Peterson in the year 1922 as shown by deed recorded in Deed Book 70 Page 434 in said Probate Office. Affiant is also informed that the said Nellie W. Peterson conveyed said land to W. L. Longshore on June 28, 1923, as shown by deed recorded in Deed Book 76 Page 290 in said Probate Office, but affiant knows of his own knowledge that W. L. Longshore did own and claim said land, until the same was sold for taxes in 1931 and was bought in by Manning Davis. Affiant knows that since that time the said Manning Davis has cut the timber from said land several times, has had portions of said land fenced in and has cultivated portions of it each and every year until he sold the same to D. F. and Sadie Bolton on March 30, 1954, as shown by deed recorded in Deed Book 165 Page 423 in said Probate Office. Since the said D. F. and Sadie Bolton purchased the same, they have had the timber cruised and have assessed the land for taxation.

Affiant has never heard of anyone disputing the title or contesting the possession of D. F. Bolton and Sadie Bolton or those through whom they claim during all the years he has known said property.

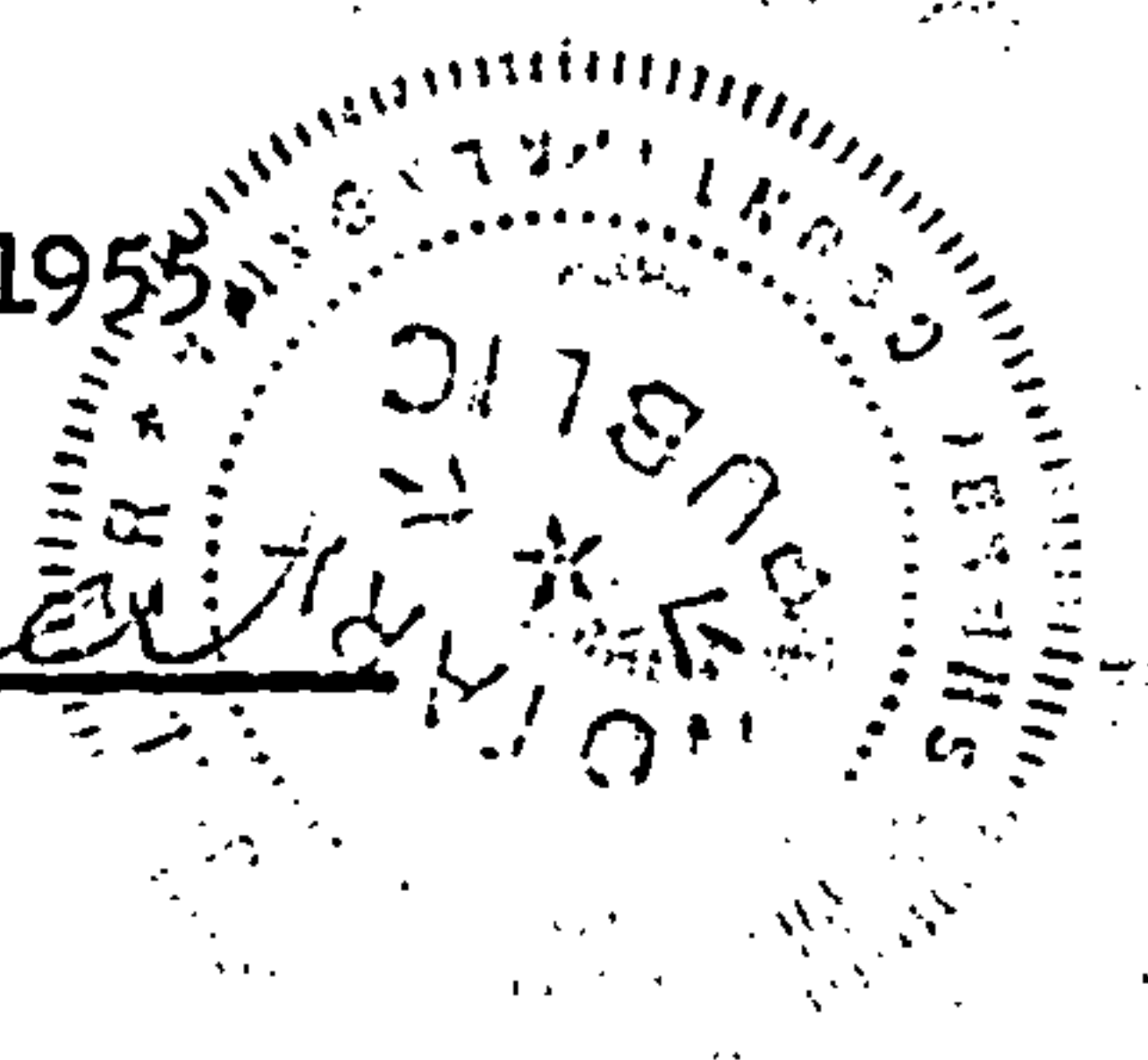
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Sworn to and subscribed to before me this the 11 day of July, 1955.

Martha B. Diner
Notary Public



STATE OF ALABAMA, SHELBY COUNTY

I, L.C. Walker, Judge of Probate, hereby certify that the within Affid
was filed for record the 16 day of Aug 19 55 at 11 o'clock P M.
and recorded in Deed Record 174 Page 366 and the Mortgage Tax of
_____ Deed Tax of _____ has been paid.

L.C. Walker Judge of Probate