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STATE OF ALABAMA

SHELBY COUNTY

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Before the undersigned authority personally appeared M. W. Hammond, who is known to me, and who being by me first duly sworn deposes and says:

In 1921 Keystone Lime Company dug a canal across Buck Creek in the SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 26, Township 20 South, Range 3 West. This canal was dug on the West side of the creek so that the water now flows through the natural channel as well as the dug canal. This said strip of land is described and conveyed in the deed of A. W. Cost and wife, Sallie E. Cost to Keystone Lime Company, dated July 17, 1922, and recorded in the Probate office of Shelby County, Alabama, in Deed Book 70, at page 496, and said Keystone Lime Company conveyed this property to Keystone Lime Works, Inc., by deed dated July 26, 1922, and recorded in the Probate Office of Shelby County, Alabama, in Deed Book 71, page 413.

Said Keystone Lime Works, Inc., went into possession of said property immediately upon the execution of the last mentioned deed and up to said canal, and has been in the actual, open, notorious, continuous, exclusive and adverse possession of it ever since.

Moreover by deed dated September 18, 1925, and recorded in the Probate Office of Shelby County, Alabama, in Deed Book 73, page 581, A. W. Cost deeded and conveyed to Keystone Lime Works, Inc., all that portion of the E $\frac{1}{2}$  of NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of said Section 26, lying West and North of Buck Creek, which included the canal strip of land. And under that deed also Keystone Lime Works, Inc., went into possession of the land therein conveyed, including said canal strip, or strip between the canal and Buck Creek, and has had actual possession of it ever since and that possession was open, notorious, continuous, exclusive and adverse.

Moreover, Keystone Lime Company, by separate deed, conveyed to Keystone Lime Works, Inc., what we refer to as the canal property. The abstractor did not include the deed in his abstract but it is recorded in the Probate Office of Shelby County, Alabama, in Deed Book 176, at page 421, and is now included in the abstract.

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Sworn to and subscribed before  
me this the 2nd day of  
December, 1955.

Henry E. Allen  
Notary Public,  
State at Large for Alabama

My commission expires January 1959.

STATE OF ALABAMA, SHELBY COUNTY  
I, L.C. Walker, Judge of Probate, hereby certify that the within affidavit  
was filed for record the 2 day of Dec, 1955, at 3 o'clock P.  
and recorded in Book 176 Page 433, and the Mortgage Tax of  
— Deed Tax of — has been paid.  
L.C. Walker Judge of Probate