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STATE OF ALABAMA)

SHELBY COUNTY)

Before me, the undersigned authority, in and for said County and State, personally appeared L. C. Walker, who, being known to me and being by me first duly sworn, deposes and says as follows:

My name is L. C. Walker. I am Probate Judge of Shelby County, Alabama. I have been acquainted with the ownership, use and possession of the following described land in Shelby County, Alabama, for more than fifty years:

S $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ and S $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$, Section 14, Township 21, Range 3, West.

I remember when this land and other land was purchased by J. H. Cost from H. A. McClinton and A. E. McClinton on January 5, 1900, which deed is recorded in the Probate Office of Shelby County, Alabama in Deed Book 23, page 139. I remember that upon the execution and delivery of this deed that J. H. Cost went into the actual possession of this land and other land described in the deed. J. H. Cost was a carpenter and tore down a house and reconstructed a house which he lived in and reared his family on the above land.

J. H. Cost and his family continued to occupy the land as a residence, cultivating parts of the same, paying taxes on the same and exercising other possession of the land up until the date of the death of said J. H. Cost.

I know that after the death of J. H. Cost that his heirs continued to occupy the same and do occupy the same as of the date of this affidavit.

I further know that J. H. Cost left surviving him the following named, as his next of kin and sole surviving heirs at law: A son, Walter M. Cost, who is deceased; another son, Henry Cost, who is deceased; two daughters, Mary Cost and Cordria Cost; and another son, Russell Cost. I know that as of this date, the next of kin and sole surviving heirs at law of said J. H. Cost, Walter M. Cost and Henry Cost are the aforementioned, Mary Cost, who is unmarried, Cordria Cost, who is unmarried, and Russell Cost, whom I understand is married.

From the time that I first knew the land in 1900, up to and including the date of this affidavit, the above land has been occupied continuously by J. H. Cost and his heirs at law and such occupation has been actual, exclusive, open, notorious, hostile and continuous, and I have never heard the title of J. H. Cost and his heirs at law questioned in any way.

Witness my hand this 24 day of March, 1956.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 24 day of March, 1956.

[Signature]
Notary Public

STATE OF ALABAMA, SHELBY COUNTY
I, L. C. Walker, Judge of Probate, hereby certify that the within
was filed for record the 26 day of Mar 1956 at 2 o'clock P. M.
and recorded in Deed Record 179 Page 60 and the Mortgage Tax of
Deed Tax of has been paid.
Judge of Probate