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State of Alabama Shelby County

Before me, L. C. Albright, a Notary Public in and for said State and County, personally appeared, Robert C. Shirley, and Elvie Shirley, who are husband and wife, and who being by me duly sworn say:

Our names are Robert C. Shirley and Elvie Shirley, and we are husband and wife. I, Robert C. Shirley am forty two years old, and I was born in 1914, and I, Elvie Shirley am forty years<sup>old</sup> and I was born in March of 1916.

We each have known the land located in Shelby County, Alabama, and described as:

The East  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the ~~southwest fourth~~ northwest fourth of the southeast fourth, of Section 17, Township 20, Range 1 West

~~and we each have known the above described lands,~~ for about all of our lives My (Robert C. Shirley) father purchased the above lands from Walter E. Lester who was at that time in possession of said land in the year 1927/ and my father L. A. Shirley, paid the full purchase price for it, and my father at this time, owned some two or three hundred acres adjoining, and adjacent to the above described land, and he after he purchased it, took immediate possession of it, and<sup>I redeemed and</sup> paid the taxes on it, and assessed it for taxes<sup>from 1927</sup> up to 1955, ~~that is to say, the above described lands~~

I, Robert C. Shirley, was born on the land adjoining the above described land, and my father, mother, and several of the children, lived on this land for about 12 years after my father L. A. Shirley bought it, and I lived there, and there were some two or three of the children, born in the little house located on this land, and the house is still there.

We, Robert C. Shirley and wife Elvie Shirley, can well remember back for 35 years, and we each know that there has not been any railroad on any portion of the within described land for 35 years, and no semblance of a railroad, and we make this statement, because of a deed from Mrs. Sarah L. Lester to Saginaw Lumber Company a corporation, which appears on record in deed book 26 at page 200, Probate Office of Shelby County, Alabama. We each also know, of our own personal knowledge, that L. A. Shirley and his wife Nettie Shirley, together with these affiants, have been in the actual open, notorious, adverse and exclusive possession of the above described property, continuously for the past twenty-nine years, and have assessed it for taxes, and have paid the taxes thereon, and no other person, firm or corporation, so far as we know, or have ever heard, has claimed or purported to claim, any right, title, claim or interest to the land as a whole or any portion thereof.

Affiants have been married for about sixteen years, and we have lived on the lands herein described for about fourteen years of our married life, and no person, firm or corporation, has interrupted or attempted to interrupt our peaceable possession.

I, Robert C. Shirley paid to my father, L. A. Shirley and my mother Nettie Shirley, the consideration, mentioned in the deed to me, dated May the 31st, 1950, and filed for record on the 29th day of June, 1950, as same appears in deed book 140 at page 325, in the office of the Judge of Probate of Shelby County, Alabama.

R. C. Shirley  
R. C. (Robert C.) Shirley  
Elvie Shirley  
Elvie Shirley

Sworn to and subscribed before me on this  
April the 2nd, 1956.

L. C. Albright  
Notary Public-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	14 day of August 56, at 8 o'clock
and recorded in	Deed Book 181 Page 473 and the Mortgage Tax of
Deed Tax of	has been paid.
L. C. Walker Judge of Probate	