

STATE OF ALABAMA, X
SHELBY COUNTY.....X

Before me, the undersigned authority, in and for said County, in said State, personally appeared David Norwood, who, being first duly sworn, deposes and says that he formerly resided in Calera, Shelby County, Alabama; that for a period of more than 25 years, last past, he has been acquainted with the use, ownership, location, and parties in possession of the following described parcel of land situated in Calera, Shelby County, Alabama, to-wit:

A part of the East Half of the Northwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 20, Township 22, South, Range 2, West, more particularly described as follows: Commencing at the intersection of the South line of said Northwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of said Section 20, and the Spring Creek Public Road, and run thence in a Northerly direction along said Spring Creek Road to a point 237.5 feet North of the South line of said Northwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of said Section 20; run thence East 500 feet, more or less, to Buxahatchie Creek; run thence in a Southerly direction along said Creek, with its meanderings, to its intersection with the South boundary line of said Northwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of said Section 20; run thence in a Westerly direction along the South boundary line of said Northwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of said Section 20 to the point of commencement, or the point of beginning, as aforesaid, all situated in Shelby County, Alabama. Also, that portion of Tract No. 427 lying West of Spring Creek Road according to Lloyd's Map of property owned by Calera Land Company, all situated in Shelby County, Alabama.

Affiant further says that on or about August 5th., 1935, he purchased the above described lands, and other lands, from Violet W. Luther and husband, R.B. Luther, and that at the date of said purchase, your affiant requested that the deed be made to Lucy Norwood, the sister of your affiant; that your affiant paid the entire purchase price recited in said deed, and is the owner of said lands.

Your affiant further says that at that time that Lucy Norwood was an unmarried woman, and that your affiant was an unmarried man, and that he went into the possession of the said lands at the time of the said purchase, and that he and his sister, Lucy Norwood, lived on said premises continuously for

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more than 10 years thereafter; that since the date of said purchase, as aforesaid, your affiant has made certain repairs and improvements on the residence situated on said lands, and has paid the costs thereof. Your affiant has paid the taxes thereon continuously since the year 1935, said lands being assessed in the name of Lucy Norwood, the sister of your affiant.

Affiant further says that he was the main support of his sister, Lucy Norwood, for a period of more than 25 years prior to her death on July 4, 1956, and that for more than 15 years the said Lucy Norwood was listed as a dependent on all income tax returns filed by your affiant; that the said Lucy Norwood, sister of your affiant, had no property, income, nor means of support other than the contributions made principally by your affiant.

Affiant further says that he was married on December 22, 1946, and that soon thereafter, the said Lucy Norwood requested that a deed be prepared to be executed by her conveying said lands to your affiant, and that in compliance with said request, your affiant had the late Honorable S.A. Lokey, an Attorney of Columbiana, Alabama, to prepare such a deed and the same was delivered by your affiant to the said Lucy Norwood; that on or about May 3, 1947, or soon thereafter, the said Lucy Norwood delivered to your affiant the deed which had been prepared, as aforesaid; this deed was attested by A.E. Norwood, and dated May 3, 1947, and acknowledged before Dixon B. Jones, a Notary Public and Ex. Officio Justice of the Peace of Shelby County, Alabama, and who then lived in Calera, Alabama, but who is now deceased, this deed being the same deed formerly prepared by the said S.A. Lokey, and the said deed was delivered to your affiant by Lucy Norwood, being the same deed as shown of record in Deed Book 181, page 450, in the office of the Judge of Probate of Shelby County, Alabama; that your affiant kept said deed in his possession for a short period of time, and then, he delivered said deed, which had been properly executed and delivered to him, as aforesaid, to his brother, A.E. Norwood, and requested A.E. Norwood to place said deed in his lock box which he had rented in the Central State Bank vault, Calera, Alabama, and that said deed was placed in the said lock box and remained in said lock box in said

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Central State Bank, Calera, Alabama, until on or about March 8, 1956, when some question arose as to the title of that part of Tract No. 427 of Lloyd's Map, situated West of Spring Creek Public Road, and the title to the same was being examined by Karl Harrison, an Attorney at Law of Columbiana, Alabama, and that on said occasion, your affiant carried said deed which had been executed by Lucy Norwood and showed said deed to Karl Harrison, Attorney of Columbiana, Alabama, and that Mr. Karl Harrison stated at that time that he recognized all of the signatures on said deed, namely, Dixon B. Jones, A.E. Norwood and Lucy Norwood, and that on the same occasion, as aforesaid, your affiant showed said deed to the Honorable Frank Head, an Attorney at Law, Columbiana, Alabama, who examined said deed. After showing the said deed to the two herein mentioned attorneys, as aforesaid, your affiant then carried said deed to A.E. Norwood and requested him to again place the deed in the Lock box in the Central State Bank, Calera, Alabama, where said deed remained until or or about August 11, 1956, and at that time your affiant secured the deed from said lock box and filed said instrument in the Probate Office of Shelby County, Alabama, for record.

David Norwood

Sworn to and subscribed before me, on this the 27th day of August, 1956.

Paul O. Smet
Notary Public, Shelby County,
Alabama.

STATE OF ALABAMA, SHELBY COUNTY
I, L. C. Walker, Judge of Probate, hereby certify that the within Deed
was filed for record the 2 day of Sept, 1956, at 8 o'clock P.M.
and recorded in Book 182 Page 108, and the Mortgage Tax of -
Deed Tax of - has been paid. L. C. Walker
Judge of Probate