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SHELBY COUNTY

Comes before me, W. W. Rabren, a Notary Public for the State of Alabama at large, H. W. Goodwin, who being by me first duly sworn to speak the truth deposes and says the following:

My name is H. W. Goodwin and I am known as Henry Goodwin. I am 71 years of age and was born and raised near Sterrett, Shelby County, Alabama, and have lived in and near Sterrett all my life time. I am well acquainted with the S½ of NE¼ of NE¼ Section 2 Township 19, Range 1 East, Huntsville Meridian, Shelby County, Alabama. I remember that as far back as the first part of the year 1888 John W. Spradley was in possession of the above described lands which he had purchased according to the record in 1878 from Robert J. Byers and wife, Ann Eliza Byers. I was born and raised on lands adjacent to the above described lands as my Father owned lands adjacent to the above described lands. I know from my own personal knowledge that from the first part of the year 1888 until the death of John W. Spradley about the year 1892, that the possession of John W. Spradley had been open, Notorious, peaceful, quiet, direct, adverse, hostile, and under color of title and claim of ownership, and I further know from my own personal knowledge that during that period of time, no one else was in possession of any part of the above described lands claiming adverse to the said John W. Spradley.

After the death of John W. Spradley about the year 1892, which I witnessed as a boy of about 8 or 9 years of age, Mr. Asa Goodwin, who was the Son-in-Law of John W. Spradley, went into possession of the above described lands and Asa Goodwin and wife, Liza Spradley Goodwin, held the possession of the above described lands as the heirs at law of John W. Spradley and their possession was open, Notorious, peaceful, quiet, direct, adverse, hostile, and under color of title and ownership, until the year about 1896 when Asa Goodwin and wife sold the above described land to Jefferson J. Falkner. I remember this for the reason that about the year 1895 my Mother and Father passed away together and three of my brothers, my sister, and I went to live with Jefferson J. Falkner, and he raised us children. I know that from the year that Jefferson J. Falkner bought the above described lands from Asa Goodwin until the year 1910 when he sold the above described lands to Paul Hoffman by Deed which is recorded in Deed Book 45 page 84 of the Office of Judge of Probate, Shelby County, Alabama, that the possession of the said Jefferson J. Falkner, Asa Goodwin and John W. Spradley as far back as the first part of the year 1888 which I referred to above has been open, notorious, peaceful, quiet, direct,

adverse, hostile, and under color of title and claim of ownership.

I know that no one else during the years from 1888 to the year that Mr. Jefferson J. Falkner sold to Paul Hoffman in 1910 that no one else was in possession of any part of the above described lands during that period claiming adverse to the said Jefferson J. Falkner, Asa Goodwin and John W. Spradley, nor have I ever known of anyone claiming any right, title or interest in or to the above described lands adverse to the said owners during that period.

Henry W. Goodwin
Henry W. Goodwin

Sworn to and subscribed before me on this 24th day of February, 1956.

W. W. Robren
Notary Public.

State OF ALABAMA

SHELBY COUNTY

Comes before me W. W. Robren, a Notary Public for the State of Alabama at large, G. J. Goodwin, who after being first by me duly sworn according to law to speak the truth deposes and says:

My name is G. J. Goodwin, and I am known as Jack Goodwin. I am 73 years of age and the brother of H. W. Goodwin, and I, too, was born and raised near Sterrett, Shelby County, Alabama, and lived in and near Sterrett, Alabama, all my life time.

I, too, am well acquainted with the S $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Section 2 Township 19, Range 1 East and I have read the affidavit made this date by H. W. Goodwin and I also have personal knowledge of the facts related therein by H. W. Goodwin, and I hereby adopt the contents of his affidavit and the facts related therein as my own as though they were made by me, as I concur with what my brother, H. W. Goodwin, said in his affidavit with reference to the ownership and possession of the above described lands during the period from the first part of the year 1888 to the year 1910.

His MARK - G. J. Goodwin
G. J. Goodwin

Sworn to and subscribed before me on this 24th day of February, 1956.

W. W. Robren
Notary Public

State of Alabama, Shelby County.
I, L. G. Walker, Judge of Probate hereby certify that the within affidavit was filed in this office for record the 6 day of Feb 1956 at 1 o'clock P M, and recorded in Book 184 Page 491 & examined and the Mortgage Tax of \$ Deed Tax of \$ has been paid.
L. G. Walker Judge of Probate