

STATE OF ALABAMA

SHELBY COUNTY

Before me, Martha B. Joiner, the undersigned authority in and for said County in said State, personally appeared A. B. Bristow, who, after being by me first duly sworn to speak the truth, deposes and says:

My name is A. B. Bristow. I am 80 years of age and have lived in Shelby County, Alabama, all of my life and for 38 years I was employed by Shelby Iron Company as Land Manager beginning in 1916 and then later as Resident Manager. Since I have been retired from the employment of said Company, I have been over certain of their lands and am still familiar with the same. Affiant says that during all of said years, even prior to his employment by said Company he has been familiar with the following described land and the persons in possession of it. Said land being described as follows:

Fraction "D" and west 22 acres of Fraction "C" of Fractional Section 20, Township 22, Range 1 East, Shelby County, Alabama.

Affiant says he knew of H. Arthur White and Herbert O. White who are said to have owned an interest in the above described land prior to 1900. Affiant says that both of the persons named were from Massachusetts and have never lived in Shelby County. Affiant says that apparently said persons abandoned said land and let it be assessed for taxes in the name "Owner Unknown", as affiant has checked the books and records of Shelby Iron Company and knows that H. J. Busby purchased said land at a Tax Sale on June 28, 1915, as shown by Tax Sale Record 4 Page 518 in the Probate Office of Shelby County, Alabama. He purchased the same for Shelby Iron Company and Shelby Iron Company paid the consideration therefor. Affiant further says at the time the land was purchase, H. J. Busby was the Land Manager for Shelby Iron Company. Affiant further says that on April 29, 1929, after H. J. Busby's death, Carrie Lee Busby, who obtained such interest as H. J. Busby purchased through inheritance, conveyances and a will, quit claimed her interest to Shelby Iron Company, as shown by deed recorded in Deed Book 88 Page 289 in said Probate Office, and affiant acknowledged said deed. Affiant says from the date of said purchase by H. J. Busby, Shelby Iron Company went into immediate possession of said land, paid taxes on it, cut the timber from time to time and sold the timber therefrom throughout the years on several different occasions and affiant handled the sales of the same. Affiant further says when the land was sold under the name "Owner Unknown", the lines were well established. Affiant says

he went upon the land soon after he became Land Manager in 1916 and he was on it several times during each year while Shelby Iron Company owned the same. Affiant says that the last person to whom said timber was sold was Loper Lumber Company. Affiant further says he known that during the past few years, Gulf States Paper Corporation obtained all the interest of Shelby Iron and Company in said land/it now assesses said land and it is now and has been in the actual possession of the same up until this very day.

Affiant says he has never heard of H. Arthur White or Herbert O. White disputing the title or contesting the possession of Gulf States Paper Corporation or its predecessors in title.

A. B. Bristow
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Sworn to and subscribed to before me on
this the 15th day of July 1957.
Martha B. Joiner
Notary Public

State of Alabama, Shelby County
I, L. C. Walker, Judge of Probate hereby certify that the within affidavit was filed in this office for record the 17
day of July 1957 at 5:10 o'clock P.M. and recorded at 188-102 examined
Fee \$ 1.20 and the Mortgage Tax of \$ 0.00 has been paid.
Y. C. Walker Judge of Probate