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STATE OF ALABAMA

SHELBY COUNTY

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Before the undersigned authority personally appeared A. B. Bristow who is known to me, and who being by me first duly sworn, deposes and says:

I am acquainted with the  $S\frac{1}{2}$  of  $SW\frac{1}{4}$ , and  $NW\frac{1}{4}$  of  $SE\frac{1}{4}$ , all in Section 22, Township 24, Range 15 East, and also the  $N\frac{1}{2}$  of  $NE\frac{1}{4}$  of  $NW\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 27, Township 24, Range 15 East, Shelby County, Alabama, and have known this land for more than forty years.

The land sold for its taxes on September 7th, 1931 for 1930 taxes, and was bought in by R. G. Cosper. This sale is revealed by Tax Sale Record 10, page 350 in the Probate Office of Shelby County, Alabama. Said R. G. Cosper procured a tax deed covering said property, dated June 15th, 1934, which is recorded in the Probate Office of Shelby County, Alabama, in Deed Book 101, page 469. Said Cosper went into possession of said property and assessed it for taxation until he sold a one-half interest to R. O. Lauderdale by deed dated February 9th, 1938, and recorded in the Probate Office of Shelby County, Alabama, in Deed Book 104, page 417. After the last mentioned deed was executed said Cosper and said Lauderdale remained in possession of said property, assessing the same for taxation regularly and paying taxes thereon.

On September 9, 1941, said R. G. Cosper and wife, Mary L. Cosper, and R. O. Lauderdale and wife, Roberta C. Lauderdale, deeded the property to and this deed is recorded in the Probate Office of Shelby County, Alabama, in Deed Book 112, page 165. Immediately upon the execution of the last mentioned deed, I went into possession of said property, and had it surveyed and marked the lines with red paint on the trees on the lines of said property, all the way around. Shortly after I obtained the property, I sold the timber to W. P. Brown and Sons Lumber Company and it cut the timber off the land. Later on I cut the timber myself, and still later my son, Henry S. Bristow, under my authority, cut the same. I have kept the lines around this property repainted about every three year period down to the present time. During all the time I have owned the property I frequently went upon it to check the timber growth, to see about fires, and to keep trespassers off, and I have been in the actual, open, notorious, continuous, exclusive, adverse, hostile possession of said property above

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described from the date I obtained deed, as aforesaid, to the present time.

*A. B. Bristow*

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Sworn to and subscribed to before me  
on this 1st day of April, 1958.

*Henry E. Allen*

Notary Public/  
State at Large for Alabama

State of Alabama: Shelby County

I, L. C. Walker, Judge of Probate, hereby certify that the within  
deed of 4-2-58 April 1958 at 4 o'clock P. M. and recorded in Deed Record 192 Page 358 & examined  
and the Mortgage Tax of \$ 1.25 and the Deed Tax of \$ 2.00 has been paid.  
Fee \$ 1.25 affid. 1  
L. C. Walker Judge of Probate