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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 $W\frac{1}{2}$ of $NE\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$, Section 1, Township 24, Range 14 East, and 5 acres off the East side of the $NW\frac{1}{4}$ of $NW\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 1, Township 24, Range 14 East, Shelby County, Alabama.

On September 7th, 1931, the above described land was sold for 1930 taxes under an assessment against Preston McGhee and J. S. Storrs, as agent. This sale is revealed by Tax Sale Record 10, page 357, in the Probate Office of Shelby County, Alabama,

Robert Blackburn purchased this tract of land from the State of Alabama on August 1, 1937 and obtained a tax deed which is recorded in the Probate Office of Shelby County, Alabama, in Deed Book 103, page 243.

Robert Blackburn and wife, Lucile Blackburn, deeded this property to me by deed dated March 22nd, 1941, which is recorded in the Probate Office of Shelby County, Alabama, in Deed Book 110, page 177.

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 and have kept them marked continuously down to the present time, and have had the timber cut from this land three different times. The first time it was cut, my son Henry S. Bristow and I cut it, and my recollection is that we cut the timber about two years after I purchased this land.

W. P. Brown and Sons Lumber Company cut the timber under my authorization about 3 years after my son and I cut the timber from it. When my son and I cut it, we did not cut it very close, and then later on Loper Lumber Company had the timber cut under my authorization and the actual cutting was done by a Mr. Sheffield, who was cutting it for Loper Lumber Company.

Continuously during the time I have owned the property above described, I have been on it frequently, checking the timber and checking for any unlawful cutting of the timber by other persons. During all this time I have been on the land many times checking for trespassers and exercising acts of ownership over it.

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Since I obtained the aforementioned deed, I have been in the actual, open, notorious, exclusive, continuous, adverse, hostile possession of said property, selling timber from it as aforesaid and cutting it myself, and keeping trespassers off the land, and have regularly assessed it for taxation and paid taxes on it, and during all this time no other person, firm or corporation has advanced any claim or interest in said land.

A. B. Bristow
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Sworn to and subscribed to before
me on this 19th day of April, 1958.

Mary L. Farmer
Notary Public
State at Large for Alabama



State of Alabama, Shelby County
I, L. C. Walker, Judge of Probate hereby certify that the within
day of April 1958 at 8 o'clock A.M. and recorded in deed Record 199 Page 529 & examined 18
and the Mortgage Tax of \$ Deed Tax of \$ has been paid.
Fee \$ L. C. Walker Judge of Probate