

STATE OF ALABAMA

SHELBY COUNTY

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

My name is Josh Davis. I am 61 years of age and have lived in Shelby County, Alabama, all of my life and have been familiar with the following described land during all this time. Said land being described as follows:

SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$, Section 34, Township 20, Range 1 West,
Shelby County, Alabama.

Affiant says that Shelby Iron Company owned said land as far back as he can remember and that during the time the Company owned it, they obtained cord wood for the purpose of making coke at ~~the~~ furnaces at Shelby. Affiant says he knows they owned, claimed and had the same ~~in~~ possession and cut wood from it continuously throughout the year they owned it. In fact, Affiant has cut cord wood for said Company on said land on several occasions and has seen other people cutting wood from said land on many other occasions. Said Company also maintained a coaling hog on said land during part of the time they owned it and made coke on this very land. This was located just north of the homeplace of Fermon Foster. Affiant further says he recalls when Shelby Iron Company conveyed said land to Fermon Foster in 1937 and the said Fermon Foster immediately began construction of a dwelling house on said land and built outhouses and cleared portions of it, built roads across portions of it, put fences up on it and has either lived on it or rented it out to tenants each and every year until this very day.

Affiant says he has never heard of J. W. Johnston, ^rE. M. Kendrick, P. H. Earle, P. H. Earle & Company or Samuel L. Earl, Trustee, or R. A. Terrell, Johnson & Company, Elie Young, G. W. Littleton or anyone else other than Shelby Iron Company or Fermon Foster owning or making claim to own said land as far back as affiant can remember, which has certainly been for some 50 years.

Sworn to and subscribed to before me
this 17th day of August 1958.

Martha S. Joiner
Notary Public

Josh Davis
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State of Alabama, Shelby County

I, L. C. Walker, Judge of Probate hereby certify that the within day of August 1958 at 8 o'clock P. M. and recorded in Book 195 Page 123 & examined 7-25-58 and the Mortgage Tax of \$ 6.85 Deed Tax of \$ 1.00 has been paid.

L. C. Walker
Judge of Probate