

STATE OF ALABAMA

SHELBY COUNTY

Before me, *Martha B. Joiner*, the undersigned authority in and for said county in said state, personally appeared Manning Davis, who, after being by me first duly sworn to speak the truth, deposes and says:

My name is Manning Davis. I am 72 years of age and have lived in the same community and on the forty acres adjoining the hereinafter described land all of my life, except for the past 10 years and during this period, I have lived within 4 miles of said property, and I have all along been well acquainted with it and the persons in possession of it. Said land being described as follows:

The NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 36, Township 20 South, Range 1 West, Shelby County, Alabama.

Affiant further says that said land was patented to William J. Teague who was by marriage affiant's Uncle, Affiant does not actually remember when it was patented but he does remember when the land was owned and occupied by the said William J. Teague and his family. The said William J. Teague burned charcoal for Shelby Iron Works during the time he owned said land and he cut firewood and building timber from the same. He moved off the place and left the land in the early 1900's and moved to Ohio and carried all his family with him, and affiant has never heard from any of them since.

Affiant further says that neither Jake Epperson, M. B. Epperson nor A. P. Longshore nor anyone else was ever in possession of or claimed an interest in the land other than the said William J. Teague and then Babe Cox, who purchased said land from the State in June of 1920, as shown by deed recorded in Deed Book 67 Pages 309-311 in the Probate Office of Shelby County, Alabama. Affiant further says Babe Cox went into immediate possession of said land and actually occupied it as a part of his homestead, the said Babe Cox having lived in a dwelling house on the forty acres adjoining the above described land. The said Babe Cox obtained firewood and building timber from said land and continued in the possession of the same until he sold it to R. I. Dyer on September 8, 1926, as shown by deed recorded in Deed Book 75 Page 395 in said Probate Office. There has been called to affiant's attention that the deed into R. I. Dyer described the land in Township 2, but affiant knows the land is actually in Township 20 and the land purchased by R. I. Dyer and the land which he took into his possession was in Township 20. The said R. I. Dyer lived within two miles of the above described land and affiant knows he went upon the land frequently and kept the corners well marked and he has seen R. I. Dyer hauling firewood and building timber from said land and he remained in the actual possession of the same until his death in the

year 1944. Affiant says that after the death of R. I. Dyer, his widow and heirs continued in the possession of said land and a short time after his death, affiant purchased the timber from said land from the widow and heirs and was for some time engaged in the cutting of said timber from said land. Affiant further says that said widow and heirs of R. I. Dyer continued in the possession of said land until Hubert T. Dyer began purchasing the interest of certain of the heirs and over a period of time, he purchased the entire interest in said land, except for the interest of Leon Dyer and Dixie Carroll Dyer, minors. Affiant says he knows the lines and corners on said land were well marked throughout the years and affiant says he helped both Mr. Teague and R. I. Dyer and his heirs care for and look after the land and keep fires out and keep trespassers off the same. Affiant further says that the said Hubert T. Dyer continued in the possession of said land as the owner, except for the interests of said minors. On October 5, 1957 said land was sold for division among said Hubert T. Dyer, Leon Dyer and Dixie Carroll Dyer, the joint owners, under which sale, Lewis Walker became the purchaser of the same. The said Lewis Walker went into immediately possession of said land and has been upon it on several occasions to keep fires out and keep trespassers off the same and to see that the lines were well marked and he has continued in the actual possession of the same until this very day.

Affiant further says that Lewis B. Walker and his predecessors in title have during all the years he has known said land owned it and been in possession of it openly, adversely, continuously and notoriously and that he has never known of anyone contesting their possession or disputing their title.

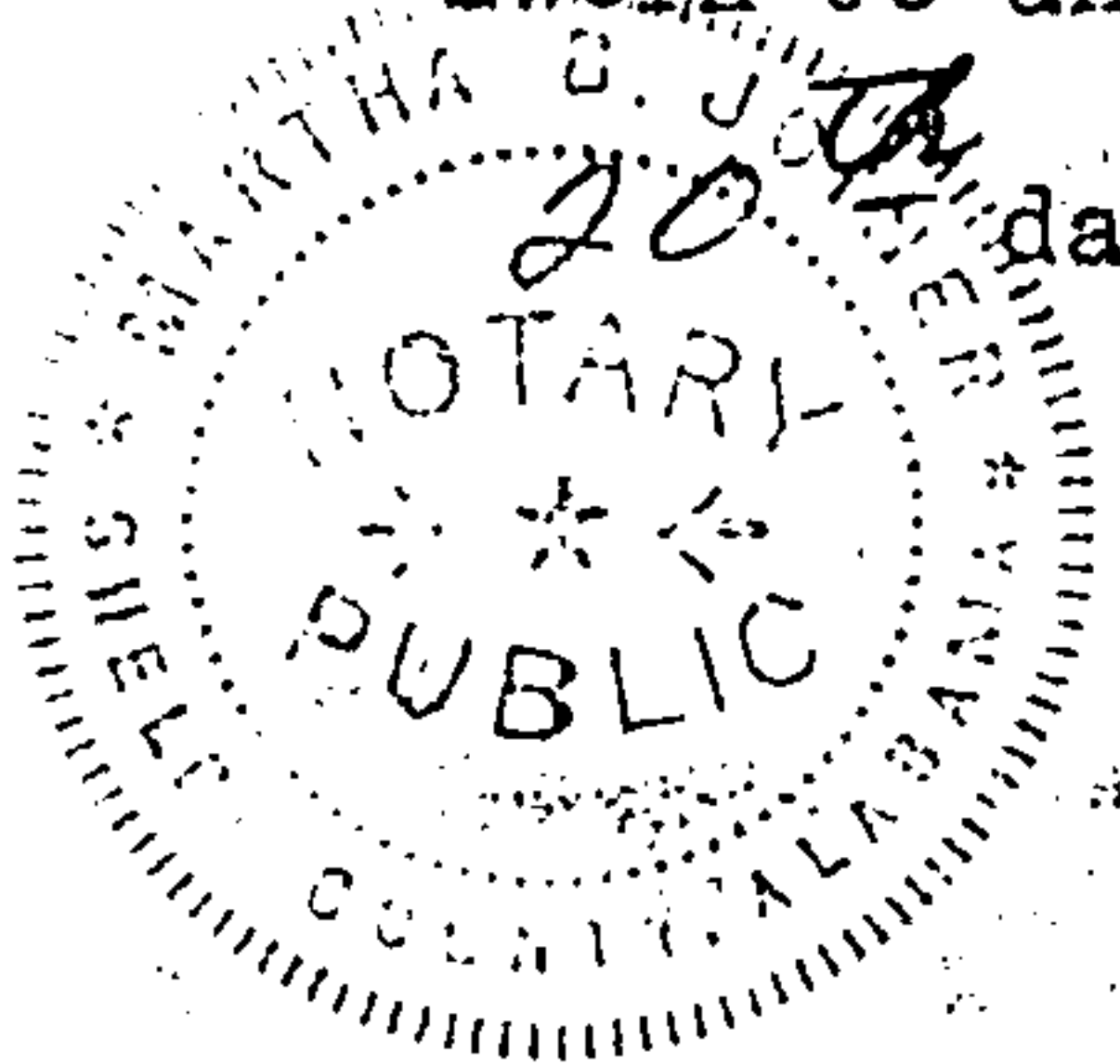
Martha B. Joiner  
Carl Harrison  
 Witnesses

Manning X. Davis  
 his  
 Manning Davis

Sworn to and subscribed to before me this

20<sup>th</sup> day of September, 1958.

Martha B. Joiner  
 Notary Public



and at Shelby County  
 I, L. L. Dyer, Judge of Probate heretofore certify that the within Deed was filed in this office for record the 20 day of September at 10 o'clock AM and recorded on Page 66 & examined Fee \$ 2.00 and the Mortgage Tax of \$ 0.00 Deed Tax of \$ 0.00 has been paid.  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Judge of Probate



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Before me, *Martha S. Joiner*, a Notary Public in and for said county in said state, personally appeared G. B. Bentley, who, after being by me first duly sworn to speak the truth, deposes and says:

My name is G. B. Bentley. I am 67 years of age. Affiant says he has known the land referred to in the foregoing affidavit of Manning Davis throughout the years and said land has always been known as the "Old Teague Place" and affiant recalls when William J. Teague owned it and occupied the same. Affiant further knows the said William J. Teague and his family have been gone from this section for many years. Affiant says he further recalls when Babe Cox purchased the same and went into possession of it and he has read the foregoing affidavit regarding said land since it was purchased by Babe Cox and affiant says the matters and things mentioned therein are true and correct.

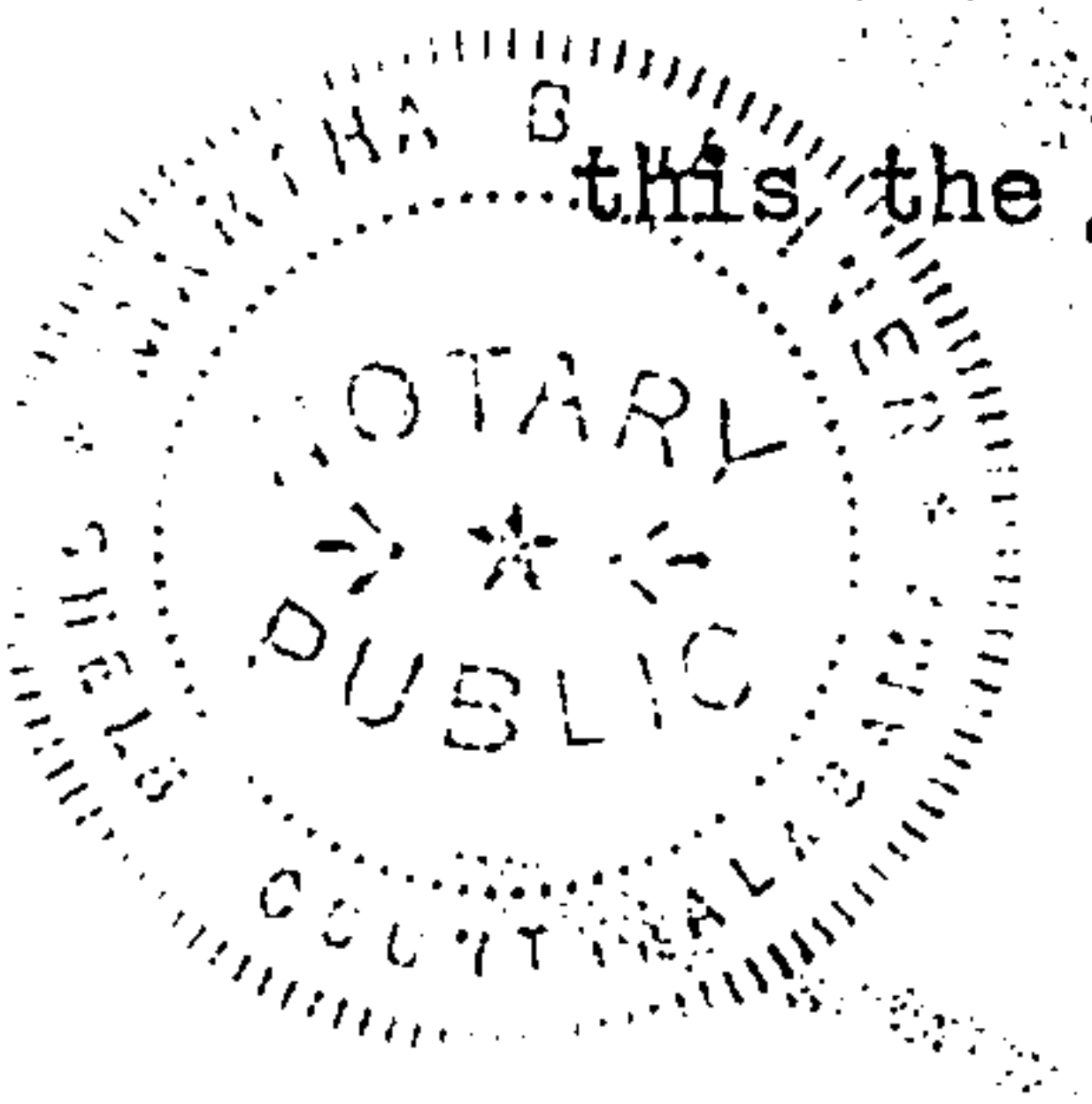
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 G. B. Bentley

Sworn to and subscribed to before me

this the <sup>20<sup>th</sup></sup> day of September, 1958.

*Martha S. Joiner*  
Notary Public



I, the undersigned, hereby certify that the within *Affidavit* was taken on this *20<sup>th</sup>* day of *September*, 1958, at *8* o'clock *P*.M., and that the *Deed Tax* of *1.25* and the Mortgage Tax of \$ *1.25* has been paid. *194* Page *63* of *169-58*

*Oct 1958* *H. C. Clark* Judge of Probate