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STATE OF ALABAMA,)
COUNTY OF SHELBY.....)

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Before me, Mary E. Revere, a Notary Public
in and for said County, in said State, personally appeared
J. N. Hiven, who after being duly sworn
by me to speak the truth, deposes and says: My name is J. N. Hiven,
and I reside at Wilsonville, Shelby
County, Alabama and I am 86 years of age. I am familiar with
the following described property and the persons who have owned
it for the past 23 years:

A part of the Southwest Quarter of North-
east Quarter of Section 1, Township 21
South, Range 1 East, more particularly
described as follows: Commencing at the
Southwest corner of the Southeast Quarter
of Northwest Quarter of said Section 1,
Township 21, Range 1 East and run South
88 degrees 56 minutes East along the South
line of the Southeast Quarter of Northwest
Quarter and along South line of Southwest
Quarter of Northeast Quarter for a distance
of 1715.1 feet to a point; thence run North
one degree 04 minutes East a distance of
268.0 feet; thence run North 85 degrees
45 minutes West a distance of 248.3 feet
to point of beginning of lot herein described;
thence run South 11 degrees 35 minutes West a
distance of 117 feet; thence run North 82
degrees 00 minutes West a distance of 135
feet; thence run North 11 degrees 33 minutes
East a distance of 126.9 feet to the South
line of Blue Springs Public Road; thence
along the South line of said road South 77
degrees 40 minutes East a distance of 135 feet
to point of beginning, Situated in Shelby County,
Alabama

I know of my own knowledge that W. A. Reynolds owned the prop-
erty which includes the above described property, having pur-
chased it from H. W. Reinhardt and wife in 1935. Later in 1938,
W. A. Reynolds and wife, Sudie L. Reynolds sold the land to W. H.
Blankenship; however, in 1939, W. A. Reynolds purchased the
property back from W. H. Blankenship and wife, Elizabeth H.
Blankenship in August of 1939. Later in October of 1939, W. A.
Reynolds and wife, Sudie L. Reynolds conveyed the property, in-
cluding the above described lot to O. D. Smith. I know of my own
knowledge that said lands were never the homestead of W. A. Reynolds
and wife, Sudie L. Reynolds; and further, they never did live on
the property.

Further, I know of my own knowledge that W. A. Reynolds went into immediate possession of the property when he bought it in 1935 from H. W. Reinhardt and wife, Mary Olive Reinhardt, and, that he and his successors in title, including O. D. Smith and William A. Smith and Odell Lee Smith, have been in the open, continuous, adverse possession of the same, claiming it as their own against all the world. I have never heard the title of William A. Smith and Odell Lee Smith questioned in any way.

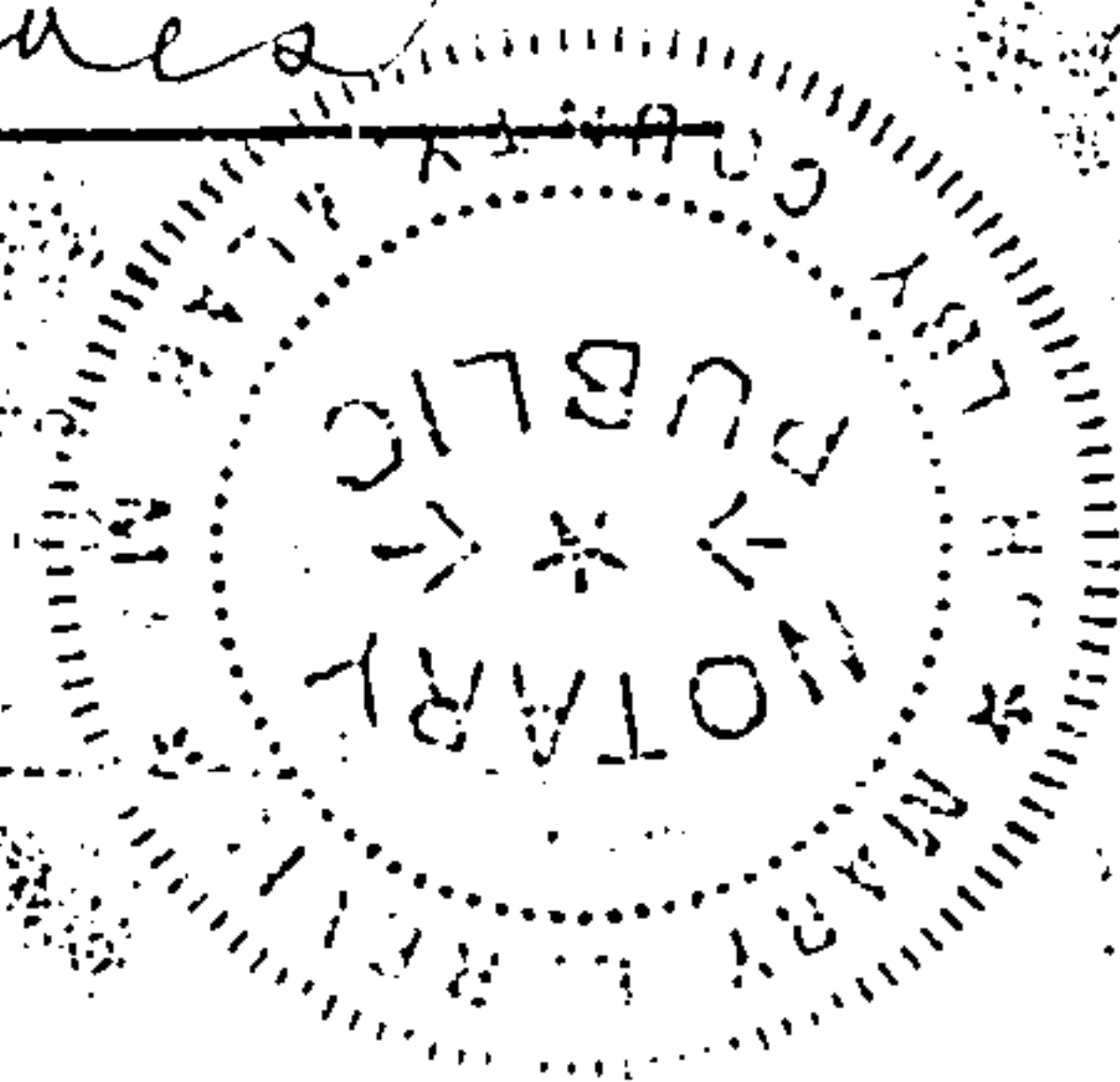
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Sworn to and subscribed to before me this 27th day of December, 1958.

Mary E. Jones

As Notary Public

Notary Public, Shelby County, Alabama
My Comm. Expires 12/31/1961
Shelby County, Alabama
Corporation



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 29 day of December 1958 at 1 o'clock P.M. and recorded in Deed Record 198 Page 147 & examined 12/29/58 and the Mortgage Tax of \$ Deed Tax of \$ has been paid.
Fee \$ 1.50 L. C. Walker Judge of Probate