

STATE OF ALABAMA)

COUNTY OF SHELBY)

Personally appeared before me, the undersigned authority, in and for said State and County, Namon Sawyer, who is known to me, and who first being duly sworn, to speak the truth, deposes and says as follows: I am the only heir at law of Ida Teague and who resided on the East half of the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 1, Township 22, Range 1 West in Shelby County, Alabama, except 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ acres in a square in the Northwest corner of said 80 acres of land, and except the lot of Ernest Buie. Said Ida Teague was my grandmother and she had only one child, namely, Pearl Morgan Sawyer, who was my mother. My mother died when I was about four years old and my grandmother raised me. I had no brothers and sisters, other than a twin brother who died at birth. After the death of my grandfather, my grandmother married Henry Teague. There were no children born to the marriage of Henry and Ida Teague.

The above described property was deeded by my grandmother's uncle, Scip Jones, to her and her sister, Susie Atwater. Susie Atwater was married, but had no children, and her husband died before she did. Susie Atwater died about 1923.

The said Susie Atwater and Ida Teague had no brothers and sisters, other than a half-brother, named John Ford. John Ford was married, but his wife died before he did and they had no children. His wife did have a daughter named Bee; however, she was a step daughter to the said John Ford and he did not adopt her and there was no blood relationship.

My grandmother told me many times before her death that since Susie Atwater was dead and my mother was dead and her half brother was dead, the property would come to me when she died.

I was born on March 19, 1905 and my present address is 1751 West Warren Avenue, Detroit, Michigan, and as long as I can remember my grandmother has been in possession of the above described land claiming the same as her own against all the world and has assessed and paid taxes on the same. In other words, the said Ida Teague, has been in the actual, exclusive, open, notorious, hostile and continuous possession of the said lands since 1916. She has lived on the property, tended crops on the same, maintained pastures, sold timber, and exercised every act of ownership in relation to a homestead. She never acknowledged

in any way that her husband or anyone other, than the said Ida Teague had any right in the property.

I have seen the description contained in that certain deed from Ida Teague and her husband, Henry Teague to Ernest Buie dated January 22, 1945 and recorded in Deed Book 203, at page 437 in the Probate Office of Shelby County, Alabama, and I know that the description is incorrect. The land intended to be conveyed and on which the said Ernest Buie built a home is a tract one acre square in the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 1, Township 22, Range 1 West, Shelby County, Alabama, but is bounded on the West by the lands of Jack Wallace and on the East by the Columbiana and Shelby Public Road.

I have also been shown the deed from R. B. Prentice, a single man, to Harry Duncan, dated April 18, 1925 and recorded in Deed Book 75, page 218 in the Probate Office of Shelby County, Alabama, which describes a house and lot in the SW corner of the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 1, Township 22, Range 1 West, Shelby County, Alabama, and I know of my own knowledge that this house and lot is incorrectly described and is not located in the said forty acres of land.

I recall that Scip Jones sold off a fifteen acre strip of equal width off the North end of the said NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$, but later obtained title and went into possession of the East 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ acres of this 15 acres. It is my recollection that this happened when I was a small boy. I have searched for the deed covering this 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ acres but I have been unable to locate it.

I am also familiar with and know where the lines are for the property owned by the State of Alabama on which is situated a colored school house and know of my own knowledge that no part of this property is on the said NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$, but is North of the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of said Section, Township and Range, and is not north of the property which is the subject of this affidavit.

W. M. Sanger

Subscribed and sworn to before me
this the 9th day of October, 1959.

Robert S. Sanger
Notary Public, State of Alabama
at Large.

STATE OF ALABAMA, SHELBY COUNTY

I, Conrad M. Fowler, Judge of Probate, hereby certify that the within
was filed for record the _____ day of _____ 1959 at _____ o'clock _____ M. and
recorded in _____ Record _____ at page _____ and the Mortgage Tax _____
Deed Tax _____ has been paid.

Judge of Probate.

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STATE OF ALABAMA)
SHELBY COUNTY)

My name is Alf McClanahan. I am over seventy years of age and reside in Columbiana, Shelby County, Alabama. I have read the foregoing affidavit of Namon Sawyer and the statements made therein, are true to the best of my information, knowledge and belief. I know of my own knowledge that the statements made therein in regard to his family and in regard to the adverse possession of Ida Teague, are true.

Alf McClanahan
(Alf McClanahan)

Sworn to and subscribed before
me this 9th day of October, 1959.

[Signature]
Notary Public

STATE OF ALABAMA)
SHELBY COUNTY)

I, Conrad M. Fowler, Judge of Probate hereby
certify that the within 12 day
was filed for record the 12 day
recorded in Dec Record 205 at page 228 and the Mortgage Tax
Deed Tax has been paid.

STATE OF ALABAMA, SHELBY COUNTY

I, Conrad M. Fowler, Judge of Probate, hereby certify that the within 12 day
was filed for record the 12 day of Oct 1959 at 8 o'clock PM and
recorded in Dec Record 205 at page 228 and the Mortgage Tax
Deed Tax has been paid.

[Signature]
Judge of Probate.

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