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STATE OF ALABAMA  
SHELBY COUNTY

Before me, the undersigned authority, personally appeared E. L. Sanderson, who is known to me, and who, being by me first duly sworn, deposes and says as follows:

My name is E. L. Sanderson. I am sixty-two years of age and have lived at Wilton, Alabama, since about 1910. I have been personally familiar with the ownership and possession of the following described property since prior to 1920 when C. O. McClendon owned said property:

A lot of land in the town of Wilton, formerly called Birmingham Junction and Catoosa, respectively, which is described as follows: Commencing at a point two hundred sixty-three feet south of the northwest corner of the lot heretofore known as the "J. W. McDonough lot" where it joins the east and west half mile line of section Nine, Township twenty-four, Range twelve east, being the south line of what has been heretofore known as "the Vandegrift property", running from said beginning point due south one hundred fifty feet to the north border of Birmingham Street, thence east along the border of said street seven hundred thirty-two feet; thence north one hundred fifty feet to the south line of said McDonough lot, and thence west along said line of said McDonough lot, to the point of beginning, the same being parts of lots number 9, 10, 11, 12, and 13, according to survey and plat of the town of Birmingham Junction, made by C. E. Bozeman, C. E., and recorded in the office of the Probate Judge of Shelby County, Alabama, at page 42 of Map Book 3 and at page 239 of Deed Book 14.

Said property was the homestead of C. O. McClendon until the time he sold and conveyed it to Geo. W. Moreland, about 1920. Said Geo. W. Moreland and his family resided on said property as a homestead until the death of said Geo. W. Moreland, prior to 1930. Mrs. Sarah Moreland, the widow of said Geo. W. Moreland, still resides on a part of said property. The Moreland family has owned and possessed all of said property since about 1920 until the present date, except two lots sold off by said Moreland heirs, one to Bill Mathis and one to Harold K. Cottingham (Harold K. Cottingham's deed being recorded at page 409 of Deed Book 212).

As stated above, Sarah Moreland is the widow of Geo. W. Moreland. The only children ever born of Geo. W. Moreland are listed as follows: O. K. (Oscar) Moreland, Lenna Moreland Wilson, Nellie Moreland, Whitfield Moreland (who died intestate without ever being married, more than two years ago), and Herman Moreland (who died intestate nine or ten years ago). The wife of said Herman Moreland is also deceased. Said Herman Moreland had only two children, Herman Moreland, Jr., and Buddy Moreland, who died intestate without ever having been married more than six years ago.

Sarah Moreland is my mother's sister.

There is no railroad within one hundred feet of the subject property and no street or road across any part thereof, nor has there been any such railroad or street since I have been familiar with the subject property.

I know of my own personal knowledge that the above described property has been in the open, notorious, continuous, undisturbed, peaceable, exclusive, hostile, actual, adverse possession of said Geo. W. Moreland and his heirs, as listed above (and of the successors in title of the Moreland heirs, Bill Mathis, and Harold K. Cottingham, as to the lots of said Bill Mathis and Harold K. Cottingham described in their respective deeds) since about 1920 when said Geo. W. Moreland went into possession of said property under warranty deed from C. O. McClendon, and until the present date, claiming the same against the claims of all persons whatsoever.

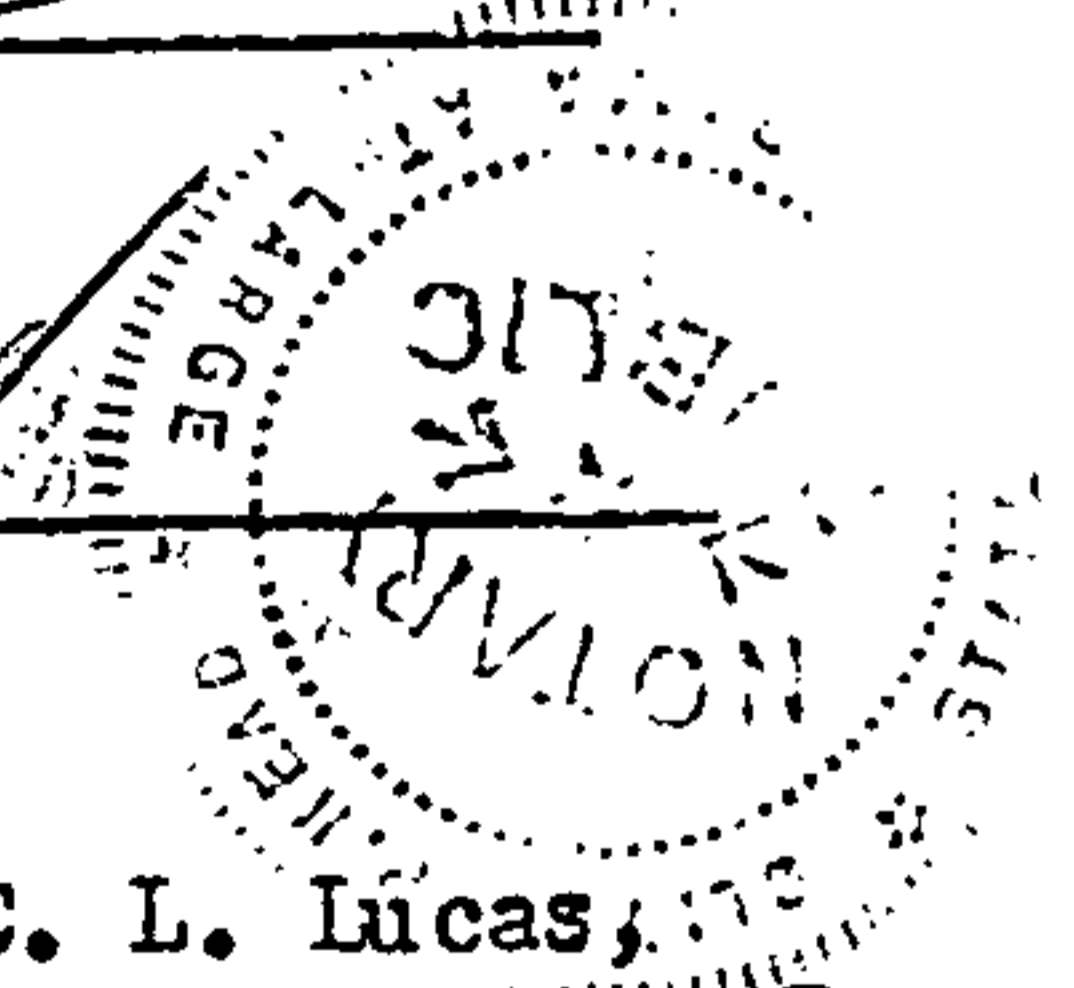
Samuel M. Pickler nor the Southern Mineral Land Company, nor their respective heirs or assignees, have ever possessed any part of said property since I have been familiar with the same, nor have they ever made any claim to said property or any part thereof, to my best knowledge and belief. I have never heard anyone question the title of Geo. W. Moreland and his predecessors and successors in title to the subject property.

*E. L. Sanderson*

E. L. Sanderson

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 20th day of January, 1961.

*[Signature]*  
Notary Public



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Before me, the undersigned authority, personally appeared C. L. Lucas, who is known to me, and who, being by me first duly sworn, deposes and says as follows:

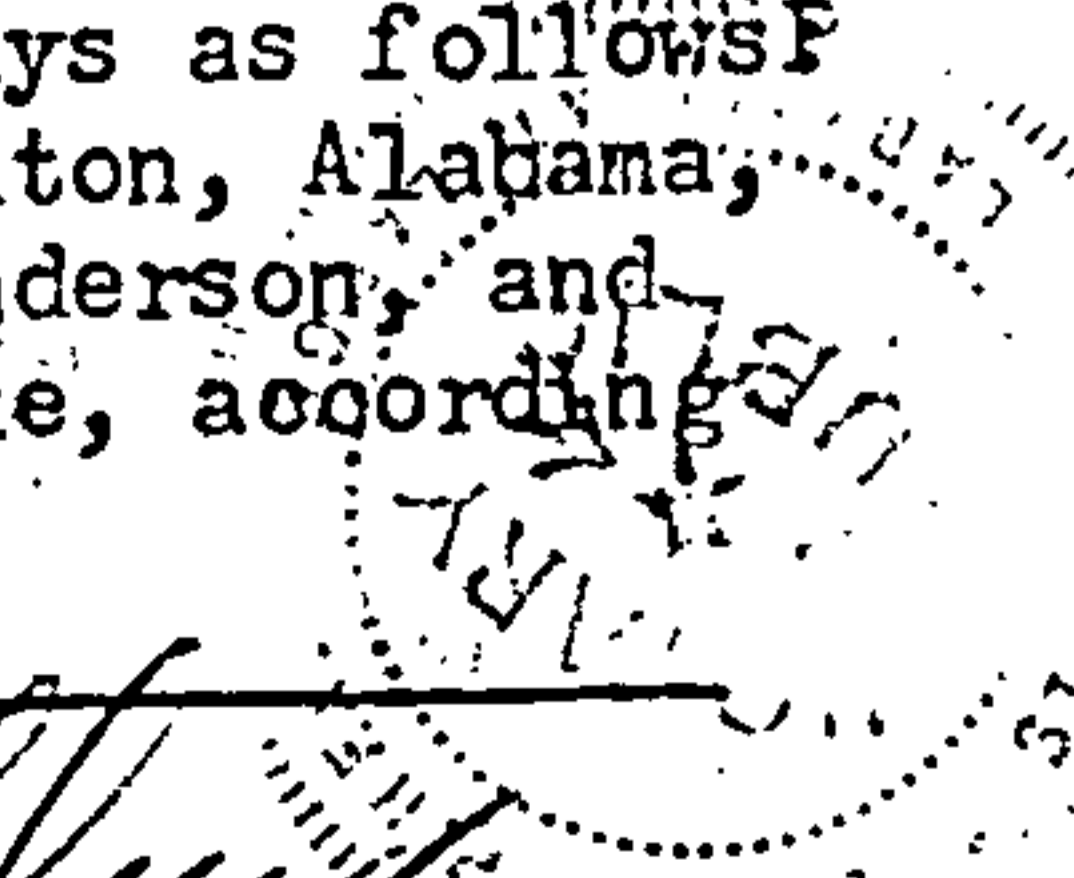
My name is C. L. Lucas. I am 54 years of age and have resided at Wilton, Alabama, since about 1920. I have read carefully the above affidavit of E. L. Sanderson, and I herein and hereby state that the facts stated in said affidavit are true, according to my own personal knowledge.

*C. L. Lucas*

C. L. Lucas

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 20th day of January, 1961.

*[Signature]*  
Notary Public



FILED 23 JANUARY 1961

STATE OF ALABAMA, SHELBY COUNTY

I, Conrad M. Fowler, Judge of Probate, hereby certify that the within was filed for record in this office on the 23rd day of January, 1961, at 3:00 P.M. o'clock and recorded in Book 213 at page 525 on the 23rd day of January, 1961. Mortgage Tax \_\_\_\_\_ Deed Tax \_\_\_\_\_ has been paid.

*Conrad M. Fowler*

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