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STATE OF ALABAMA  
SHELBY COUNTY

Before me, the undersigned authority in and for said County, in said State, personally appeared Albert Datcher, who, after being by me first duly sworn to speak the truth, deposes and says:

My name is Albert Datcher. I am 57 years of age. I was born within a short distance of the hereinafter described land and have lived in the same vicinity of said land all of my life. Said land being described as follows:

The SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of NW $\frac{1}{4}$  and all that part of the SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 6, Township 20 South, Range 3 East, lying west of Coosa River, being situated in Shelby County, Alabama.

Affiant says that he was not too familiar with who owned the above described land until it was sold to Mamie Broyles in 1925, as shown by Deed Book 123 page 443 in the Probate Office of Shelby County, Alabama. Affiant recalls Mamie Broyles went into immediate possession of said land and she by and with her husband, W. O. Broyles improved the buildings on the land. The same was fenced in on the south and west sides and they repaired them and at that time they appeared to be old fences—15 to 20 years old or more. Affiant says the Broyles did not live on the place, but rented the land to tenants each and every year as long as they owned it. I remember my brother, Sam Datcher rented it and cultivated cotton and corn on the place for some 8 years. Then Willie Jackson rented the land and continued to cultivate it until he purchased the same in 1947 as shown by Deed Book 131 page 2 in said Probate Office. Affiant further says that Willie Jackson fenced in the north side of the land and repaired the fences around the remainder of the land, except for that bordered by the Coosa River and he continued to cultivate the land each and every year until this very day. Willie lived on the land and last year he built a new house on said land. At the time Willie Jackson purchased the land in 1947, Mr. & Mrs. Broyles also conveyed to him a 20 foot easement for a roadway which leads from Willie's house to the paved Creswell road and Willie and persons going to and from his house have used the easement continuously as a means of ingress and egress since the date he purchased it.

There has been called to affiant's attention a deed from Fannie I. Hoffman to Walter Hoffman dated June 1919 recorded Deed Book 69 page 13 in said Probate Office covering certain land which included the SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of said Section 6. Affiant says he recalls Mr. & Mrs. Hoffman owned considerable land in Shelby County, but they never owned any portion of the Willie Jackson land described above. Affiant says he has never heard of J. J. Hightower, M. G. Hightower and any of the Hightower heirs being in possession of or making any claim whatsoever

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to said land owned by Willie Jackson and he knows Willie Jackson has lived on it as a tenant of Mamie Broyles and then as the owner for many many years and he has been assessing it and paying taxes on it since he purchased it and claiming to own it and cultivating it each and every year until this very day. Affiant further says he has never heard of anyone contesting the title or disputing the possession of Willie Jackson or his predecessors in title to said land.

Albert Datcher  
Albert Datcher

Sworn to and subscribed to before me on  
this, the 12 day of March, 1965.

William S. Morris  
Notary Public  
Notary Public, State of Alabama at Large  
My Commission Expires May 17, 1968  
State of Alabama  
~~Shelby County~~ Talladega County

Before me, the undersigned authority/<sup>in</sup>and for said county in said state, personally appeared Aldrich Datcher, who, after being by me first duly sworn to speak the truth, deposes and says:

My name is Aldrich Datcher, and am 67 years of age. I have read the affidavit of Albert Datcher and know the same to be true and correct as far back as I can remember and affiant can remember the land when it was owned by Mr. & Mrs. W. O. Broyles and has been familiar with the land continuously from that time to the present date.

Aldrich Datcher  
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Sworn to and subscribed to before me on  
this, the 12 day of March, 1965.

William S. Morris  
Notary Public

Notary Public, State of Alabama at Large  
My Commission Expires May 17, 1968

STATE OF ALA. SHELBY CO.  
I CERTIFY THIS INSTRUMENT  
WAS FILED ON 4/8 1965  
RECORDED & 5 TAX  
& 5 DED. 10 BEEN  
PD. ON THIS INSTRUMENT.

Conrad A. Tucker  
JUDGE OF PROBATE

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