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STATE OF ALABAMA) JEFFERSON COUNTY

Before me, the undersigned authority in and for said State and County, this day personally appeared K. E. Cooper, who, being by me first duly sworn, deposes and says as follows:

Affiant is well acquainted with tract of land described as being all that part of the NEt of NEt of Section 14, Township 20 South of Range 3 West, which lies north and west of Cahaba Valley Creek, sometimes called Bishop or Denson Creek; containing 15 acres of land. Also tract 50 feet square in the SE4 of SE4 of Section 11, Township 20 South of Range 3 West particularly described in deed from T. W. Johnson, et al to W. E. Richardson and K. E. Cooper dated August 23, 1932 recorded in the Probate Office of Shelby County, Alabama, in Volume 93 at page 493. Said tract of land was acquired by affiant and W. E. Richardson in 1932 and they immediately went into possession thereof, cleared it up and began pasturing the same and put the same under fence. Later the said W. E. Richardson and wife sold their interest in said property to Jerome C. Ard. Since Mr. Ard's acquisition said land has been owned and in the actual possession of affiant and Jerome C. Ard and wife to the present time.

Affiant's attention has been called to a quitclaim deed from Cahaba Mines, Inc. to Edna Stover dated September 1, 1943 and filed for record September 9, 1943 in Shelby County, Alabama.

Affiant states that he has never heard of the said Edna Stover and has never known of any claim to the said land being asserted by either Cahaba Mines, Inc. or the said Edna Stover. On the contrary, said land first above described has been under fence and pastured by affiant and the said Jerome C. Ard and wife for more than the past twenty years.

Affiant further states that affiant and the said

Jerome C. Ard and wife have assessed said land for taxation and paid the taxes thereon each year for more than the past ten years and no one else assessed said property or paid the taxes thereon during said period of time. Affiant further states that Jerome C. Ard and wife, their predecessor in title and affiant have been in the actual, open, notorious, peaceable, continuous and adverse possession of said land first above described for more than the past twenty years.

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Subscribed and sworn to before me on this the 27 day of April, 1965.

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