

STATE OF ALABAMA)

SHELBY COUNTY)

Before me, the undersigned authority, a Notary Public, in and for said County in said State, personally appeared T. A. MORSE, who, after being by me first duly sworn to speak the truth deposes and says as follows:

My name is T. A. Morse and I presently reside at Route 1, Columbiana, Alabama. I am the grantee in that certain deed recorded in Deed Book 109, page 63 in the Probate Records of Shelby County, Alabama, and I have been familiar with the occupation, use, and possession of the hereinafter described property for a period in excess of 20 years, to-wit:

All that portion of the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$, Section 19, Township 20 South, Range 1 East, lying North of Crenshaw-Swamp Road and West of Shelby County paved Highway No. 19.

All that part of the S $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 19, Township 20 South, Range 1 East, lying West of Shelby County Highway No. 19 (Known as Bethel Church Road).

I recall when the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 19, Township 20, Range 1 East, sold for its taxes on September 7, 1931, said tax sale being in the name of "Mrs. Mamie D. Sims: Estate of J. L. Sims, by Tax Collector". Said J. L. Sims died in Birmingham on July 24, 1926, and I have examined a copy of the court file on the estate of said J. L. Sims, which said file appears in administrator's record book 11, page 415 in the Probate Court of Jefferson County, Alabama. According to said records said J. L. Sims died leaving surviving him his widow, Mamie L. Sims, and two children, namely, J. L. Sims, Jr., and William A. Sims. At the time of his death said J. L. Sims was a resident of Jefferson County, Alabama, and, according to the petition for letters of administration, resided at 1009 Princeton Avenue, Birmingham, Alabama.

During the life of said J. L. Sims he never occupied the said NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 19, Township 20, Range 1 East, or any part thereof, as his homestead, and during the time he owned said above described property he was at all times a resident of Jefferson County, Alabama. It is my understanding from the petition in the above said estate that he also owned land in Bibb County in addition to his holdings in Jefferson and Shelby Counties.

During the more than twenty years I have known the occupation, use, and possession of the above described property, it has been in the actual, adverse, hostile, notorious, continuous, and exclusive possession of Howard T. Vick, and wife, Ruby M.

Vick and their predecessors in title. During the more than twenty years I have known said property I have never heard the title of said Howard T. Vick and wife, Ruby M. Vick, or their predecessors in title, questioned in any way and no other person, firm, or corporation has been in possession of said property or any part thereof during said period.

TA Morse
Affiant

Sworn to and subscribed before me
this 20th day of March, 1966.

James Brasher
Notary Public

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