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STATE OF ALABAMA

SHELBY COUNTY

Before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared J. W. Howard, who is known to me, and who being by me first duly sworn, deposes and says as follows:

My name is J. W. Howard. I am 30 years of age and reside at Sterrett, Shelby County, Alabama. My full name is Jasper Willie Howard.

Jasper N. Howard was my Grandfather and his wife, Mollie Howard, was my Grandmother. Said Jasper N. Howard died intestate while a resident of Shelby County, Alabama, on, to-wit, March 21, 1945, and said Mollie Howard died intestate while a resident of Shelby County, Alabama, on, to wit, March 21, 1941.

Said Jasper N. Howard and Mollie Howard were never married except to each other, and they had only twelve children, namely, Ira H. Howard, John Howard, Earl Howard, Hardy Howard, Henry Howard, Terrell Howard, J. C. Howard, Dillie Howard Partridge, Cora Howard Partridge, Jennie Howard Brasher, Ada Howard Hollis, and Callie Howard Adams.

Said Ira H. Howard was my Father, and he died intestate while a resident of Shelby County, Alabama, on, to-wit, March 23, 1943. My Mother, the widow of said Ira H. Howard, is also deceased. Said Ira H. Howard had only seven children, namely, Callie Tisdale, A. B. Howard, Clarice Keith, Annie Mae Shows, C. D. Howard, Mary Arlie Craven, and myself, J. W. Howard.

Said Dillie Howard Partridge died intestate and has no surviving husband; she had only four children, namely, Irene Partridge Johnson, Etheridge Partridge, Lola Partiridge Walker, and Stella Partridge Brown.

Said Callie Howard Adams died intestate and has no surviving husband; she had only one child, namely, Beatrice Brasher.

I am the owner of, and am in the actual possession of, the following described real estate, situated in Shelby County, Alabama, viz.:

The SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 5, Township 18 South, Range 2 East, EXCEPT that part described as follows: Begin at NE corner of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 5 and run West 500 feet to a road; thence Southeasterly along said road until said road intersects Howard Branch; thence Easterly along said branch, until said branch intersects East boundary line of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$, Section 5; thence North along East line of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$, Section 5 a distance of 600 feet to point of beginning of said EXCEPTION.

Minerals and mining rights excepted.

Also, the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 8, Township 18 South Range 2 East.

My said Grandfather, Jasper N. Howard, formerly owned all of said property, which has been conveyed to me through Mesne conveyances from said Jasper N. Howard, my Grandfather. My said Grandfather was an unmarried man, to my personal knowledge, on June 12, 1941.

I have been personally familiar with the ownership and possession of said property for more than the past forty years, and I know of my own personal knowledge that said Jasper N. Howard and his successors in title have been in the actual, open, continuous, notorious, undisturbed, peaceable, exclusive, hostile, adverse possession of all of said property during all of said period of time.

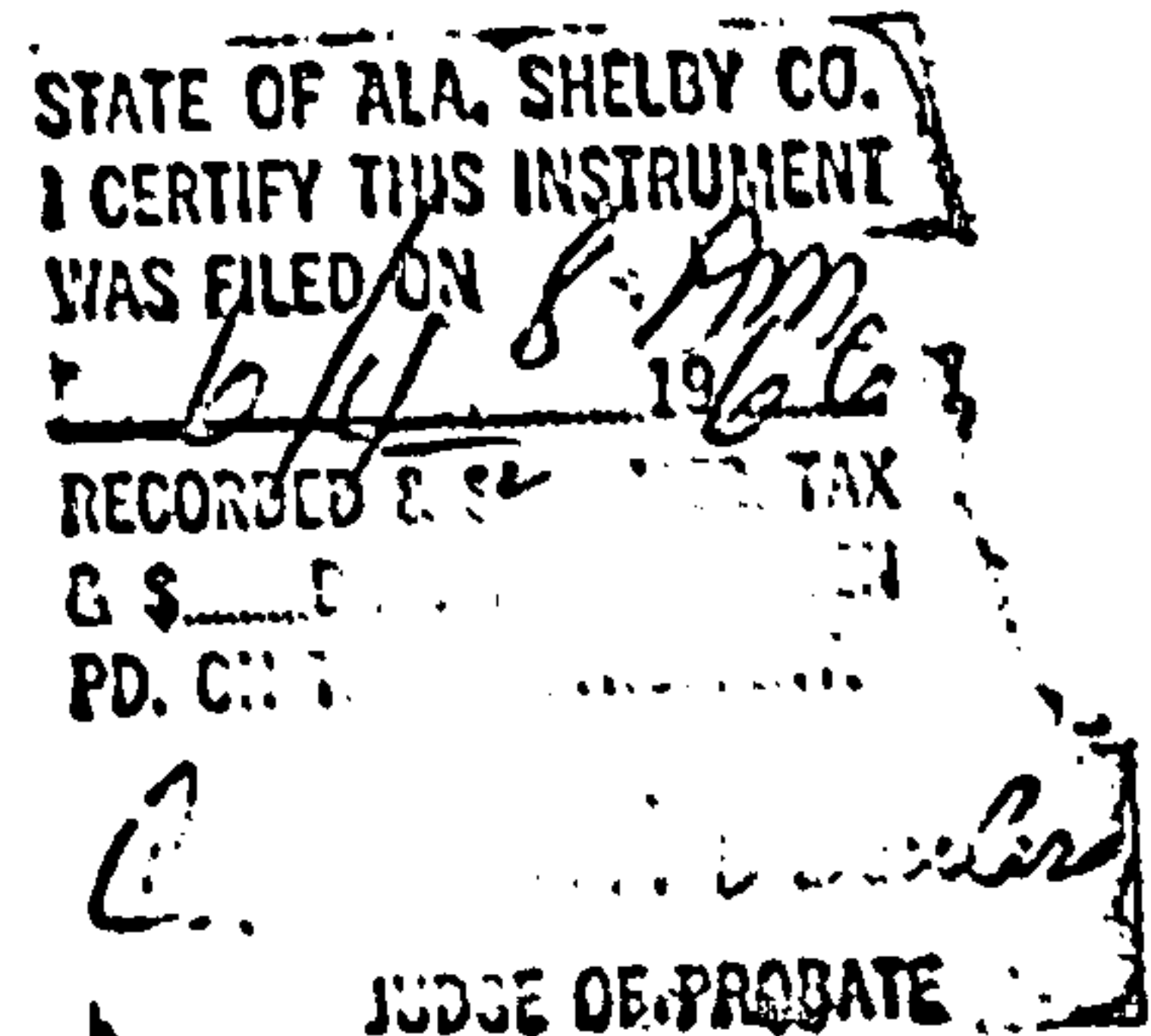
It has been called to my attention that C. C. Weldon and wife, Leola Weldon previously executed a mortgage describing part of said property, said mortgage being dated January 31, 1955, and recorded in Mortgage Book 237 at page 225, Office of Judge of Probate of Shelby County, Alabama. The description contained in said mortgage is evidently a typographical error of some nature, as said C. C. Weldon nor Leola Weldon have never been the owner of said property, nor any part thereof, nor any interest therein, nor have they ever possessed said property, or any part thereof.

Likewise, it has been called to my attention that Kenneth B. Partridge and wife, Gladys J. Partridge, executed a warranty deed to John L. Roper, Jr. dated August, 1964, and recorded in Deed Book 231 at page 649. Neither said Grantors nor said Grantee have ever owned said property, nor any part thereof, or any interest therein, nor have they ever possessed said property, or any part thereof. The description contained in said deed is evidently in error.

J. W. Howard
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Sworn to and subscribed before me
this 30th day of May, 1966.

[Signature]
Notary Public



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