

STATE OF ALABAMA
SHELBY COUNTY

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Before me, L. E. Parker, a Notary Public in and for the State of Alabama at Large, personally appeared Leroy P. Lovett, who, being by me first duly sworn deposes and says as follows:

My name is Leroy P. Lovett. I am 71 years of age and reside in Shelby County, Alabama. I have been familiar with the land described hereinbelow and have known its possessors during the past 40 years. This land is best described as:

Begin at a point on the Fort Williams and Shraders Mill Public Road in Beat 2, Shelby County about 175 years South of the Spring Creek Bridge on said road at the foot of a certain hill which lies East of said road, the same being where said road crosses the North boundary line of the NE¹ of SE¹ of Section 2 and running along said public road in a Southerly direction to a point where said road crosses the Eastern boundary line of said Section 2, Township 24 North, Range 15 East, said property being bounded on the West by said public road, and on the East by Lake created by Lack 12 of Alabama Power Company and being situated in the E¹ of the SE¹ of Section 2, Township 24 North, Range 15 East, which includes all of Murphy's Fishing Camp as recorded in Map Book 3 on page 72 in Probate Office of Shelby County, Alabama; excepting rights and interest of Alabama Power Company to all above described lands that lie below the 425 foot contour line established in Survey of Coosa River made 2nd August 1903 by the Corps of Engineers; situated in Shelby County, Alabama.

I know that in about 1925, the above described land was in the possession of R. H. Green, who claimed title thereto. In about 1930, the said R. H. Green conveyed this land by deed to O. L. Hurtt, J. A. George and T. C. Burgess, who moved into possession of this land as co-owners. After the deaths of T. C. Burgess and O. L. Hurtt, this land was sold to W. O. Murphy in about 1947 when he moved into immediate possession of this land as title claimant. In about 1950, W. O. Murphy subdivided a portion of this land and began selling lots from this subdivision which was known as Murphy's Fishing Camp Subdivision. In about 1951, W. O. Murphy sold his remaining portion of the hereinabove described land to O. B. Johns. The said O. B. Johns moved into possession of several lots in the said fishing camp and some adjoining acreage, continuing as possessor and title claimant until about 1956, when he conveyed all of his portion of this land to Homer M. Lincoln and James C. Murphy, Jr., who have continued as possessors and title claimants to a portion of this land up until the present time.

The following lots referred to hereinbelow are lots situated within the Murphy's Fishing Camp Subdivision and were sold by W. O. Murphy to the respective lot owners, during the time he owned this land.

Lot #3 is in the possession of L. J. Burton who claims title thereto through G. D. Shadix and the said W. O. Murphy.

Lot #6 is in the possession of W. D. Copeland, who claims title thereto through James R. Zorn, et al, and the said W. O. Murphy.

Lot #16 is in possession of D. A. Price and James T. Reed each claiming an undivided interest in their respective portion of this lot through the said W. O. Murphy.

Lot #4 is in possession of Burley A. Wright and Floyd D. Campbell each claiming an undivided interest in their respective portion of this lot through the said W. O. Murphy.

The remaining lots in Murphy's Fishing Camp and the undivided portion of captioned land are in possession of Homer M. Lincoln and James C. Murphy, who jointly claim title thereto.

I know that the Homer M. Lincoln, James C. Murphy, the hereinabove named lot owners and their predecessors in title have been in the actual, continuous and exclusive possession of the hereinabove described land for more than 40 years. Their possession has been visible, open, hostile and notorious. They have assessed their respective land for taxes and have paid the taxes due thereon.

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I know that Homer M. Lincoln, James C. Murphy and their predecessors in title during the past 40 years have constructed cabins, cottages and other outbuildings on their respective land; they have built water and sewage systems, docks, piers and have exercised every other act necessary to the peaceful use and enjoyment of their respective lands as was consistant with the nature of the land.

I know of no person or persons claiming any right to any portion of the hereinabove described land or disputing the possession of this land by Homer M. Lincoln, James C. Murphy, the named lot owners and their predecessors in title during the past 40 years, under the claim of ownership.

I know that no person known as Roy White was ever in possession of or claimed title to any portion of the hereinabove described land.

I more specifically know that J. I. Boriss or D. H. Marbury have not been in possession of or claimed any right title or interest in the hereinabove described land or any part thereof during the past 65 years. I did know of the said parties owning adjoining lands which are now a part of the Pizitz Farm.

I am an heir at law and next of kin of Samuel Merrell, Mary E. Marrell and Ellen Merrell Lovett. I was about 18 years of age in 1913 when several heirs of the above persons conveyed the hereinabove described land to A. B. Merrell. I had knowledge of this conveyance, but did not join with the other heirs in executing a deed conveying said lands to A. B. Merrell, due to my minority. I do not claim any right, title or interest in the hereinabove described land, nor have I been in possession of this land or any part thereof since minority.

Leroy P. Lovett

Sworn to and subscribed before me
this 3rd day of August, 1966.

[Signature]
Notary Public - State at Large

STATE OF ALA., SHELBY CO.,
I CERTIFY THIS INSTRUMENT
WAS FILED ON 8/13

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RECORDED & \$ MTG. TAX

\$ DEED TAX HAS BEEN
PD. ON THIS INSTRUMENT.

Conrad M. Fowler
JUDGE OF PROBATE