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STATE OF ALABAMA  
SHELBY COUNTY

Before me, L. E. Parker, a Notary Public in and for the State of Alabama at Large, personally appeared Charlie H. Nash, who is known to me and after first being duly sworn, deposes and says as follows:

My name is Charlie H. Nash. I am 80 years of age and reside in Shelby County, Alabama in the vicinity of the land described hereinbelow. I have been familiar with this land and have known its possessors during the past 40 years. This land is best described as:

All that part of the South Half of Southeast Quarter (S $\frac{1}{2}$  of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ) of Section 21, Township 21 South, Range 1 East that lies south of Beeswax Creek; situated in Shelby County, Alabama, excepting highway right of way.

I know that in about 1915 the above described land was in the possession of George Beard under the claim of title. In about 1953 the said George Beard died leaving the above land in possession of his wife, Ruthie H. Beard who claimed title thereto by virtue of the last Will and Testament of George W. Beard and has continued as possessor and title claimant up until the present time.

I know that Ruthie H. Beard and her predecessors in title during the past 40 years have been in the actual, continuous and exclusive possession of the hereinabove described land. Their possession has been visible, open, hostile and notorious. They have assessed this land for taxes and have paid the taxes due thereon.

I know that during the past 40 years or more the said Ruthie H. Beard and her predecessors in title have used the above described land with other lands in maintaining a farm family homeplace and have raised their family on this land. They have constructed a dwelling house, barn and other necessary out buildings on this land and their adjoining land. They have cut and sold timber for market and have cultivated and harvested crops of cotton, corn and hay. They have fenced and cross-fenced portions of this land and have kept livestock thereon. They have used this land for securing mortgages; have granted rights of way across this land for highways, power lines and have exercised every other act necessary to the peaceful use and enjoyment of this land as was consistent with the nature of the land.

I know of no person or persons claiming any right to any portion of the hereinabove described land other than Ruthie H. Beard and I know of no person disputing the possession of this land by Ruthie H. Beard and her predecessors in title during the past 40 years.

I know that George W. Beard is one and the same person as George Beard. I also know that Putha Beard and Rutha H. Beard and Ruthie H. Beard is one and the same person.

Sworn to and subscribed before me  
this 5th day of December, 1966.

Notary Public - State at Large

Tract No. 469  
Rutha H. Beard

Charlie H. Nash

STATE OF ALA., SHELBY CO.  
I CERTIFY THIS INSTRUMENT  
WAS FILED ON 1-10-67

RECORDED & \$ 1.00 TAX

\$ DEED TAX HAS NOT  
PD ON THIS INSTRUMENT.

Conrad M. Fowler  
JUDGE OF PROBATE