

STATE OF ALABAMA )  
SHELBY COUNTY )

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

My name is C. H. Rasco. I am 72 years of age and reside at Route 1, Wilsonville, Alabama. I have been familiar with the occupation, use and possession of the hereinafter described property for a period in excess of 50 years, said property being situated in Shelby County, Alabama, and being more particularly described as follows, to-wit:

A part of the NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 8, and a part of the NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 9, all in Township 20 South, Range 1 East, more particularly described as follows: Commencing at the SE corner of the NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of said Section 8, and run West along South line of said forty acres a distance of 317 feet; thence run North 0 deg. 31' West a distance of 818.18 feet to the South margin of a Gravel Road (known as Weldon road) thence along said road North 87 deg. 25' East a distance of 246.1 feet to the West right of way line of the Westover paved Highway; thence South 16 deg. 51' East along said Highway right of way 270.35 feet; thence continue along said Highway right of way South 15 deg. 43' East a distance of 113.0 feet; thence continue along said Highway right of way South 15 deg. 22' East a distance of 473.15 feet to the South line of the NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of said Section 9; thence along the South line of the NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 9, North 89 deg. 22' West a distance of 156.2 feet to point of beginning.

I am a brother to A. B. Rasco who purchased the above described property, along with other property, from J. B. Reneau and wife, S. C. Reneau on January 5, 1927, the deed being recorded in Deed Book 75, page 577, in the Probate Records of Shelby County, Alabama. At the time my brother A. B. Rasco purchased the above described property there was a residence or house situated thereon. J. B. Reneau and his wife were living in the house situated on the above described property for each and every year for a period of more than ten years prior to the execution of the deed to my brother on January 5, 1927. J. B. Reneau and wife S. C. Reneau, in so living on the property, were in the exclusive and continuous possession of said above described property, the residence situated thereon, all up to the outer boundaries of said property for each and every year for more than ten years prior to deeding the property to my brother A. B. Rasco. Immediately after the above described property was deeded to my aforesaid brother in 1927, he moved into the residence situated on the above described property and lived in said residence on said property for each and every year continuously and exclusively up until he sold said property to Charlie I. Hamilton on January 25, 1934, by deed recorded in Deed Book 94, page 245, in the Probate Records of Shelby County, Alabama. During the time my brother resided in said house on said property he would cultivate for each and every year a portion of the above described property and raised various crops such as corn and beans



on the same.

I do know that after the execution of the deed from J. B. Reneau and S. C. Reneau to my brother A. B. Rasco on January 5, 1927, neither J. B. Reneau, S. C. Reneau, or any of their heirs or successors in interest ever questioned or disputed the title of my brother A. B. Rasco in any way whatsoever. Neither did they question the title of Charlie I. Hamilton or any of his successors in title.

After the above described property was conveyed to Charlie I. Hamilton in 1934 he and his family moved into the residence situated on said above described property. I did not keep up with the property in great detail after 1934, but know generally that Charlie I. Hamilton and his family lived in the residence situated on the above described property for each and every year up to the time the property was sold by Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton to E. H. Grantham and wife, Lucy Grantham on August 7, 1946. I have not followed the title to the above described property too closely over the last few years and know only that the property is in the possession at present time of E. E. Grantham or his son Edward W. Grantham. During the more than 50 years I have known the occupation, use and possession of the above described property I have never heard the title of Mr. and Mrs. Grantham questioned or disputed in any way. It has always been recognized in and about the community that they and their predecessors in title own the above described property and there has been no disputes concerning this.

It has been called to my attention that Arnold W. Moore and wife, G. Gail Moore executed a transmission line permit to Alabama Power Company on May 13, 1966, as shown of record in the Probate Office of Shelby County, Alabama, in Deed Book 243, page 398. I am not familiar with these parties but know that they were not and have not been in possession of the above described property at any time heretofore. I assume that the execution of this transmission line permit to Alabama Power Company by Mr. and Mrs. Moore was an error.

I am familiar with the property conveyed to W. C. Messer and wife, Willie Messer on September 9, 1943, by deed recorded in Deed Book 161, page 228, in the Probate Records of Shelby County, Alabama. Said deed conveyed the E<sub>2</sub> of the NE<sub>4</sub>, less ten acres in the "Northeast corner" of said section 8. Actually the land owned and claimed by Mr. and Mrs. Messer was West of the above described property and the ten acres excepted in said deed was the East ten acres of the NE<sub>4</sub> of NE<sub>4</sub> of said Section 8, Township 20, Range 1 East. I have never heard any dispute whatsoever concerning the location of the Messer property.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 28 day of March, 1968.

Notary Public