

STATE OF ALABAMA)

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SHELBY COUNTY)

Before me, the undersigned authority, personally appeared James Arthur Acton, who, being by me first duly sworn, deposes and says as follows:

My name is James Arthur Acton. I am 26 years of age and live in Jefferson County, Alabama. During the latter part of 1945 or the early part of 1946, I do not remember the exact date, my brother, Mark or M. H. Acton and I bought the following described property from Mrs. Emma M. Stier and Mrs. Frances Elizabeth Muckenfuss:

All east of county road of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ and all east of county road of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of the NE $\frac{1}{4}$, both in Section 15, Township 19, Range 1 East, in Shelby County, Alabama.

I do not remember the exact amount that my brother, Mark, and I paid for the property, but I think it was around \$3,000.00. Mark Acton handled the entire transaction. I paid him my half of the consideration and he paid the other. I was not present at the closing of the sale, but I do know that Mark Acton was there and paid the consideration to Mrs. Stier and Mrs. Muckenfuss and received the deed from them for the property above described. M. H. Acton, Mark, as he was called, has been dead for several years. In March of 1946, M. H. Acton and I, together with my wife, deeded the above described property to Armon C. Acton. I have been informed that there is no deed of record from Mrs. Stier and Mrs. Muckenfuss to M. H. Acton and me. I do not know what happened to the deed as I thought it had been put on record in Shelby County.

When M. H. Acton and I deeded the property described to Armon C. Acton, Armon C. Acton took possession of the property and has been in possession of it since that date. He has actually occupied the property as a farm, home and has used part of the property for cattle lands. The entire farm has been under fence since 1946. I have never heard anyone claiming any interest in this property other than M. H. Acton and myself and Armon C. Acton, after we bought the property from Mrs. Stier and Mrs. Muckenfuss. I do know that Armon C. Acton has held the property adversely, peacefully, continuously and openly for over twenty (20) years. It has been known for all these years as the "Armon Acton Farm and Dairy."

James Arthur Acton
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Sworn to and Subscribed before me
this the 30 day of April, 1969.

Fred M. Strother
Notary Public

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