

STATE OF ALABAMA

SHELBY COUNTY

Before me, the undersigned authority in and for said County in said State, personally appeared Boling Z. Cooper, who, after being by me first duly sworn to speak the truth, deposes and says:

My name is Boling Z. Cooper. I am 65 years of age and have been a resident of Columbiana since 1920 and have throughout the years been acquainted with the hereinafter described land and the persons in possession of it. Said land being described as follows:

Commencing at the point of intersection of North line of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 25 Township 21 South, Range 1 West and West right of way line of Thompson Street and run South along West line of Thompson Street 109 feet; thence Westerly along North line of lot owned by Alice Vick a distance of 140 feet to NW corner of said Vick lot for point of beginning of lot herein described; thence in a Southerly direction along West line of said Vick lot and parallel with West line of Thompson Street a distance of 100 feet more or less to North line of a narrow Street or alley running in a Westerly direction from Thompson Street; to North Main Street; thence in a Westerly direction along the North line of said Street or alley for 163.5 feet to East line of Willie Gould Heath lot; run thence in a Northerly direction and along a fence marking the East line of said Heath lot a distance of 100 feet more or less to SW corner of Sam Pierce lot; thence in an Easterly direction along South line of Sam Pierce lot to point of beginning. Also an easement for a right of way 3 feet in width immediately East and Contiguous to the East line of the above described lot; situated in Shelby County, Alabama.

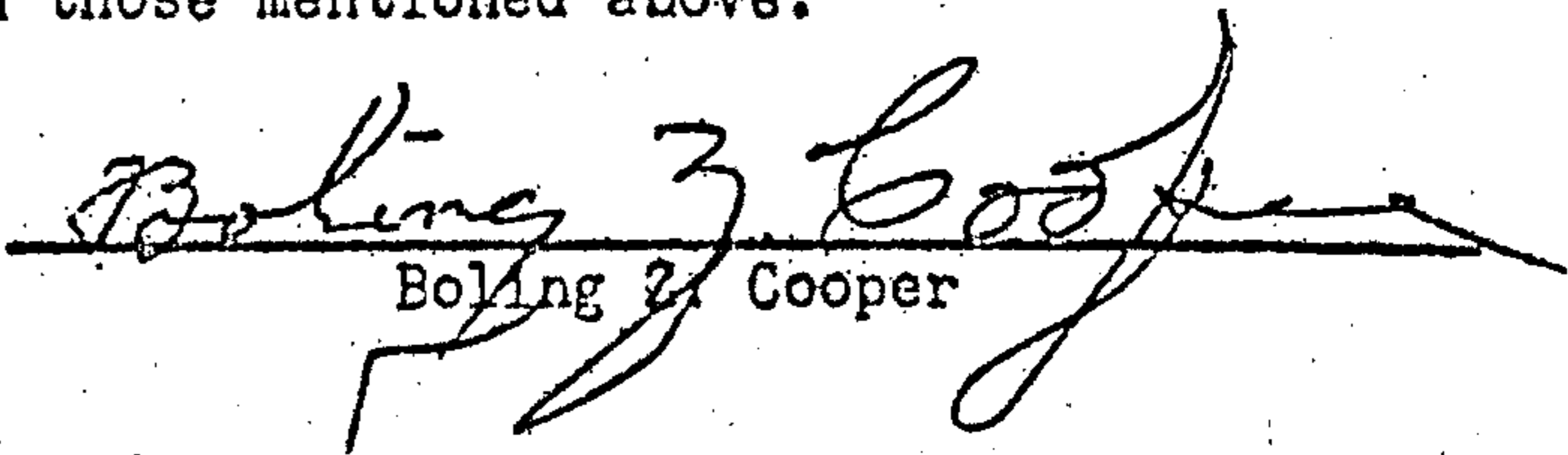
When I first recall said property, it was owned by W. G. Parker who also owned the lot lying immediately East of the above described land. He built a house on the property immediately East of the above described land and rented it/out to tenants each and every year until the year 1934 when he sold it to L. C. Taylor and Betty Coplin Taylor as shown by deed recorded in deed book 94, page 318 in the Probate Office of Shelby County, Alabama. In speaking of the conveyances, I do not recall the exact date of each conveyance but know generally when each was made on up to the present time. The said L. C. Taylor and his wife, Betty Coplin Taylor moved in said house and lived there and had in possession all of said land/and used the rear portion for a garden and yard and also had chickens, each and every year until 1946 when they sold the East 50 ft. of the above described land to Pearl Friedberger who owned the house referred to above as having been erected by W. G. Parker. Mrs. Friedberger and her brother, Tom Norris, lived in said house and occupied the East 50 ft. of the above described land each and every year until she sold it in 1947 to J. W. Edmondson as shown by deed recorded in deed book 127, page 537 in the Probate Office of Shelby County, Alabama. There is called to my attention that said deed to J. W. Edmondson also covered an 8 ft. easement

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East of the East 50 ft. of the above described land but affiant does not recall said 8 ft. easement as being open or used by the public. In 1946, L. C. Taylor and his wife Betty Coplin Taylor conveyed the remainder of the above described lot to J. W. Edmondson as shown by deed recorded in Deed Book 122, page 515 in the Probate Office of Shelby County, Alabama. Mr. Edmondson lived just across the road from said property and was in the actual possession of the same. He had horses and cows and used it for pasture purposes each and every year until he sold it to H. M. Gordon in 1957 as shown by deed recorded in deed book 187, page 536 in the Probate Office of Shelby County, Alabama. The said H. M. Gordon went into immediate possession of said land and was in the possession of it constantly until he sold it in 1964 to James D. Haynes as shown by deed recorded in Deed Book 233, page 286 in the Probate Office of Shelby County, Alabama. James D. Haynes went into immediate possession of it for a short time until he sold it in October, 1965 to Billy B. Dill and wife, Betty W. Dill as shown by deed recorded in Deed Book 238, page 258 in the Probate Office of Shelby County, Alabama. It is called to my attention that Mr. and Mrs. Dill also purchased an interest in said easement although I am not familiar with the details of said easement. Soon after they purchased this property, Mr. and Mrs. Dill bought a house and situated it upon the above described land and improved the house but the same has not been fully completed. Mr. Dill has done some of the work himself from time to time on said house and he and his wife have been in the actual possession of the same until this present day. Affiant further says that he has never heard of Frances Bennett Jones making any claim to said land. Mrs. Frances Jones owns a house situated on main street which was a part of a large tract of land which included the above described lot when the same was owned by Mr. Robert J. Miles and others; but, as stated above, she has never owned or made any claim to the above described land. Affiant also says that both Pearl Friedberger and Tom Norris, who was her brother, have both been dead for several years and that Franklin Norris, who is the only son of J. F. Norris, the brother of Mrs. Pearl Friedberger, has never lived on or occupied the above described land. Affiant is informed that both Tom Norris and Franklin Norris made J. W. Edmondson a deed to the East 50 ft. of the above described land in 1957 as shown by deed recorded in Deed Book 187, page 534 in the Probate Office of Shelby County, Alabama. Affiant says that he knows that Mrs. Friedberger had no other heirs than those mentioned above.

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Boling Z. Cooper

Sworn to and subscribed to before me on this the 12th day of December, 1969.


Notary Public

STATE OF ALABAMA

SHELBY COUNTY

Before me, the undersigned authority in and for said County in said State, personally appeared Karl C. Harrison, who, after being by me first duly sworn to speak the truth, deposes and says:

My name is Karl C. Harrison. I am 61 years of age and have lived in Columbiana, Alabama, all my life except for a short time while I was working in Birmingham, Alabama, and have all along been well acquainted with the above described land and the persons in possession of it. I have also checked the abstract covering said land. I have read the affidavit made by Boling Z. Cooper and I know the same to be true and correct.

Karl C. Harrison
Karl C. Harrison

Sworn to and subscribed to before me on this the 12th day of December, 1969.

Martha B. Jones
Notary Public

STATE OF ALA. SHELBY CO.
I CERTIFY THIS INSTRUMENT WAS FILED
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