SHELBY COUNTY

Before me, the undersigned authority in and for said county in said state, personally appeared Bessie Lawley, who, after being by me first duly sworn to speak the truth, deposes and says:

My name is Bessie Lawley. I am 65 years of age and have lived in the Peariage community where the hereinafter described land is located for more than 50 years. Said land being described as follows:

Shelby County, Alabama.

I knew Mrs. Eugenia E. Toland, the wife, of Merit H. Toland many years ago. She would come to my home and stay with me a week at a time and we would walk over all the above land to see that no one had cut the timber or trespassed in any manner upon the land. Mrs. Toland would want to go to each corner and she would point the corners out to me. It would take us quite a long time to walk over all the land, but we would check the entire 80 acres. I live on land adjoining the above and have throughout the years and I have kept an eye on the property to see if anyone trespassed upon it. I have never seen anyone cut any timber or go upon the land or trespass upon it and I live so near it that I would have known if anyone had been upon it. I would have notified the Tolands if I had ever seen anyone trespassing. There is a fence between our 40 acres of land and the Toland land which has been there from some 40 years or more and as mentioned above, the Toland corners were marked and Mrs. Toland knew exactly where each corner was located. The land has very good timber on it, as it has never been cut to my knowledge for the past 40 years.

Bessie Lawley

Sworn to and subscribed to before me on this

the 20 day of May, 1970.

Notary Public

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