

STATE OF ALABAMA

SHELBY COUNTY

Before me, O. J. [Signature], the undersigned authority in and for said County, in said State, personally appeared Pat Nolan, who, after being by me first duly sworn to speak the truth, deposes and says:

My name is Pat Nolan. I am 49 years of age and have lived in the same community with the hereinafter described land all of my life. Said land being described as follows:

A tract of land in $S\frac{1}{2}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 17, Township 24 North, Range 12 East more particularly described as follows: Commence at the southwest corner of the $SW\frac{1}{4}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of said Section 17 and run in an easterly direction along south line of said Section 70 yards to point of beginning; thence continue in an easterly direction along said section line 480 yards; thence run northerly direction perpendicular to said Section line 70 yards; thence westerly direction parallel with south line of said Section 70 yards; thence northerly direction perpendicular to south line of said Section 70 yards; thence in an easterly direction and parallel with south line of said Section 70 yards; thence northerly direction and perpendicular to south line of said Section 300 yards to north line of the $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of said Section 17; thence westerly direction along north line of last mentioned 40 acres to the northwest corner; thence south along west line of the $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of $SE\frac{1}{4}$ of said Section 17, a distance of 300 yards; thence westerly direction perpendicular to west line of said forty 30 yards; thence south 70 yards; thence westerly direction parallel with south line of said Section 17, a distance of 340 yards; thence south 70 yards to point of beginning; being situated in Shelby County, Alabama.

When I first remember said land, as early as 1913, it was owned and in the possession of Bessie Goode, whose name is sometimes erroneously referred to as Bessie Gude, and who later married Levi Jemison. Affiant further says it is common knowledge in his family and he has heard his father say that said land was originally owned by Thomas Broughton who lived there in 1878 when affiant's father moved to this community and after Thomas Broughton died, his daughter, Bessie Goode inherited said land from him and continued in the possession of it up until the time she sold it to Mr. C. R. Wood. Affiant further says that George R. Moore never owned said land and affiant knows he was never in possession of the land and affiant knows Bessie Goode has been in possession of it continuously until she sold it to C. R. Wood.

Affiant further says he has never heard of Esther Graham owning any interest in said land and he knows she was never in possession of it and, in fact, he has never heard of Esther Graham.

Affiant further says he is familiar with the one acre of land sold by C. R. Woods to Neeley Belle Woods on September 15, 1941, as shown by Deed Book 110 page 488 in the Probate Office of Shelby County, Alabama. Affiant knows that said one acre lies immediately west of and adjoins the above described tract of land.

Affiant further says he is familiar with the one acre Bessie Jemison conveyed to Nelie Belle Woods in December 1941, as shown by Deed Book 110 page 487 in said Probate Office. This is the same land Neely Bell Woods and her husband sold to Grady Lucas on June 30, 1949. Affiant says that said one acre is in a square shape and is one acre north of the south line of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of said Section 17 and adjoins, but does not overlap on the above described land. Affiant further says Nelie Belle Woods is one and the same person as Neely Bell Woods and Neeley Belle Woods.

Affiant further says he recalls when Clarence Wood, being one and the same person as C. R. Wood, purchased the above described land from Bessie Goode in 1931 and built a house on it in the year 1932 and moved on the tract of land and cultivated portions of it and was in the possession of it until this very day. There has been called to affiant's attention a deed from Clarence Wood to W. W. Wood dated July 16, 1947, conveying said tract of land and another deed from W. W. Wood and wife to Clarence Wood conveying said tract back to Clarence Wood. Affiant is not familiar with either of these deeds, but does know that Clarence Wood has been in continuous and interrupted possession of said land since he first purchased it.

Affiant further says that in addition to said one acre parcel mentioned above, the said Grady Lucas also owns land in the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ lying immediate east of and adjoining the above described land.

There has been called to affiant's attention a deed from Bessie Goode to Marion Goode dated in 1951, covering a portion of the above land. Affiant further says Bessie Goode retained land in the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of said Section 17 which lay a portion of same west of and a portion lay north of Clarence Wood and it adjoined Clarence Wood property, but there was no overlappage between the two and, in fact, there was a fence running east and west between the Clarence Wood and Bessie Goode land. Affiant also says Bessie Goode owned a small portion of land in the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of said Section 17 which adjoined and lay east of Clarence Wood land, but there was no overlappage between the two. The land described in the deed to Marion Goode was in error in that it showed an overlappage.

Throughout all the years I have known the above described land, I have never heard of anyone disputing the title or contesting the possession of C. R. Wood or his predecessors in title.

Sworn to and subscribed to before me
this the 23 day of July, 1960.

Notary Public

Pat Nolan

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