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STATE OF ALABAMA

SHELBY COUNTY

Before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State,  
personally appeared Hugh M. Merrill who is known to me and who  
being by me first duly sworn, deposes and says as follows:

My name is Hugh M. Merrill.

I am 60 years of age and reside at Route 1, Shelby, Alabama.

I have known the following described property since about 1924:

The SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 12,  
Township 22 South, Range 1 East.

I live about two and one half or three miles from said property,  
where I have lived since 1919.

When I first became familiar with said property it was owned  
and possessed by Mr. Busby. There was an old log building on said  
property at that time, which is no longer there. About 15 acres or  
so of said land had been cleared and had been in cultivation when I  
first knew said property, but it has grown up in timber now.

The timber has been cut and sold from time to time on said  
property by the Busbys, and the reputation of said property in the  
community has always been that it was owned by the Busbys. I knew  
Miss Carrie Lee Busby during her lifetime and knew that she attended  
to said property and visited it from time to time.

Said property has been in the <sup>actual,</sup> open, continuous, exclusive, hostile,  
notorious, undisturbed, <sup>peaceable,</sup> adverse possession of Mr. Busby, and after  
him, Carrie Lee Busby, and her successors in title, to my personal  
knowledge since about 1924 until the present date.

Hugh M. Merrill  
Hugh M. Merrill

Sworn to and subscribed before  
me this 27<sup>th</sup> day of February, 1971.

[Signature]  
Notary Public

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Shelby Cnty Judge of Probate, AL  
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