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SHELBY COUNTY)

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Shelby Cnty Judge of Probate, AL
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Before me, Milton J. Johnson, the undersigned authority, personally appeared Mr. L. E. Cline, who, being by me first duly sworn, deposes and says: My name is L. E. Cline. I am 77 years of age. I have been a resident of Shelby County, Alabama for 51 years. I have been familiar with the ownership and possession of the following described land for more than 25 years:

A parcel of land situated in the southwest quarter of the northwest quarter of Section 31, Township 19 south, Range 2 west, Shelby County, Alabama, more particularly described as follows:

Begin at the southwest corner of Lot 4, Block 1 of H. H. Eckmann Subdivision as recorded in Map Book 3, page 144, in the Office of the Judge of Probate, Shelby County, Alabama, and thence run in a northwesterly direction along the northwesterly boundary line of an Alabama Power Company Substation and the continuations thereof for a distance of 233.3 feet to a point; thence turn an angle to the left of 94 degrees 21 minutes and run in a southwesterly direction for a distance of 200.0 feet to a point; thence turn an angle to the left of 85 degrees 39 minutes and run in a southeasterly direction for a distance of 233.3 feet to a point; thence turn an angle to the left of 94 degrees 21 minutes and run in a northeasterly direction for a distance of 200.0 feet to the point of beginning.

I have been familiar with the above described property since before 1950. At that time, the property was owned by Richard B. and Lucy Kiker. It seems to me that in about 1952, the Kikers conveyed the property to Hans H. and Astrid O. Eckmann. During the period of the Kikers ownership the property was used for farm land and they kept some horses on it. They lived on the property for a while and some of the land lay idle. When the Kikers sold the property to Hans H. Eckmann and wife in 1952, the Eckmanns lived in a house which was located at the back of an old store that burned down during the Eckmanns period of ownership. Mr. Eckmann subdivided this land and it was called Eckmann Subdivision. The Eckmanns sold the property to Brandon A. Real in about 1957. Mr. Real improved the appearance of the property by landscaping it. He also rented some of it for a short period of time. It seems to me that Mr. Real only retained ownership of the property for only a short period of time before he conveyed the property to Alabama Trailor Company, who let the land lay idle. To the best of my knowledge Alabama Trailor Company retained ownership

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of the property until about 1968, when they conveyed the property to T. M. Burgin. Mr. Burgin has used the property to park trailers, store machinery and houses that he moved, trucks, cement pads, scrap iron and blocks etc. Mr. Burgin built fences on it and leased some of the property to Hertz Equipment Rental Company who used it to park their equipment and they used a small frame house on the property for an office. To the best of my knowledge, the property owners named herein above have held the captioned property in actual, open, continuous, hostile, notorious and exclusive possession during their respective periods of ownership since before 1950. To the best of my knowledge, no one other than the owners named above have claimed ownership to the captioned property, or assessed and paid taxes on it.



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Sworn to and subscribed to before me

this 23rd day of July, 1975.

Milton J. Johnson
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Notary Public
State at Large

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I CERTIFY THIS
INSTRUMENT WAS FILED
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Conrad J. Johnson
JUDGE OF PROBATE

This Instrument prepared in
the Land Dept. of Alabama
Power Co., Birmingham, Ala.

by *M. J. Johnson*

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