

Personally appeared before me, the undersigned authority in and for said County, in said state S. B. Lacey, who is known to me and who, being by me first duly sworn, deposes and says as follows:

My name is S. B. Lacey, and I live in \_\_\_\_\_, Shelby County, Alabama. I knew JAMES B. GRIFFIN during his lifetime and I remember when he went into possession of the South Half of the SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 5, Township 21, Range 3 West, and the South Half of the North Half of the SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 5, Township 21, Range 3 West, under a deed from his father and mother, JOHN A. GRIFFIN and wife, MALENDER GRIFFIN, in 1896. I also remember when JAMES B. GRIFFIN went into possession of the property described as Fractions A and B as shown by the map hereto attached, under a deed from R. J. GRIFFIN, J. A. GRIFFIN, JESSE WILLIE FARRELL and husband, THOMAS F. FARRELL, in the year 1905. After JAMES B. GRIFFIN secured the deeds above mentioned in 1896 and 1905, respectively, he went into possession of the property described by the map hereto attached and from those dates up until the date of his death in 1908 continued in the hostile, actual, exclusive, open, notorious and continuous possession of said lands, annually listing the same for taxation and paying the taxes thereon, cultivating and using said lands as his own under claim of ownership; that the said JAMES B. GRIFFIN has all these years from the time he went into possession of same up until the time of his death, claimed to own said lands and put said lands to all the uses to which same were adaptable, cultivating same, cutting timber off the wooded sections thereof and had most of the land under fence.

From the time the said JAMES B. GRIFFIN received the deeds to said land up until the time of his death in 1908, I have heard of anyone making any adverse claim to said land or disputing the title of JAMES B. GRIFFIN. The lands described in the map hereto attached have been known as the J. B. GRIFFIN

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FARM since the time he went into possession of same under said deeds up until the present time and the said lands are referred to in this community as the J. B. GRIFFIN FARM.

After the death of JAMES B. GRIFFIN he left several children, to-wit, BELLE LAMBERT, NELLIE WALKER, J. A. GRIFFIN, HATTIE MURRAY, ERNEST G. GRIFFIN, THOMAS J. GRIFFIN and S. H. GRIFFIN, and those claiming under them, have been in the hostile, actual, exclusive, open, notorious and continuous possession of the lands described in the map hereto attached, annually listing the same for taxation and claiming to own the same. The said heirs have been in actual possession of said lands, cultivating and using the same as their own and putting said lands to all the uses to which they were suited, and I have never heard of anyone disputing the title of the heirs to said property.

The said property is still known as the J. B. GRIFFIN FARM. The above named heirs of JAMES B. GRIFFIN inherited the land from their father and are the only heirs to said property, except J. F. GRIFFIN, one of the children of JAMES B. GRIFFIN, who deeded his interest in said property to his brothers and sisters as shown by deed, dated May 23, 1930.

DR Lacy

Sworn to and subscribed before me on this the 28 day of January, 1942.

W.B. Nickerson  
Notary Public.

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SE 1/4 of SE 1/4 of Section 5 Township 21 South Range 3 West

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Southwest Corner of Sec 5  
Twp 21 S., Range 3 W.

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FRACTION 'A'

Part of the SW 1/4 of Section 4,  
Township 21 South, Range 3 West

FRACTION 'B'

This is to certify that the above men to  
two and no part of Section of JBC in  
form as surveyed by H. H. H. in the  
city of December 1941  
Sworn to before me on the 25th day  
January 1968  
J. B. C. [Signature]



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