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STATE OF ALABAMA
SHELBY COUNTY

Before me, the undersigned authority in and for said County and State, personally appeared Frank Kickam, who is known to me and who being first by me duly sworn, deposes and says as follows:
My name is Frank Kickam. I am 83 years of age.

I purchased certain land from Mr. T.T. Stewart and wife, Pansy Stewart, as shown by deed recorded in Deed Book 115, page 208, in the Probate Office of Shelby County, Alabama, in 1942. Said deed did not correctly describe all of the land I purchased and my wife and I obtained another deed from T.T. Stewart and wife, Pansy Stewart, in 1956, which said deed is recorded in Deed Book 183, page 210 in the Probate Office of Shelby County, Alabama. The last mentioned deed correctly describes my homeplace, including the five (5) acres of land situated in the S½ of SE¼ of NW¼ of NE¼, Section 26, Township 20, Range 4 West, Shelby County, Alabama, on which five (5) acres, I also obtained a deed from W.P. Shaw and wife, on June 27, 1957, which said deed is recorded in Deed Book, 188, Page 156, in the Probate Office of Shelby County, Alabama. On June 30, 1958, I obtained a tax deed from the State of Alabama as the assignee of W.P. Shaw, growing out of a tax sale to the name of "owner unknown", which said deed is recorded in Deed Book 194, page 15, in the Probate Office of Shelby County, Alabama.

and as amended
in 1956

When I first purchased said land from T.T. Stewart in 1942, as mentioned above, my wife and I, as the owners, went into immediate possession of the same and occupied it continuously until a few months ago when we moved so I could be near my daughter. We assessed said land for taxes each and every year. We cut the grass on said property, and we planted trees, including rows of cedar trees. We terraced the land and built buildings on it. We lived in the dwelling house which was situated on the property at the time we purchased it. We had a garden and we fenced in our property. We were in possession

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of said lands hereinabove described continuously from 1942 until the present date and neither H.A. Belcher nor S.E. Belcher, Inc. have ever indicated that they have a claim to any of said lands and have never raised any question about our ownership or possession of it.

I remember that after we purchased our homeplace near Bamford in 1942, as mentioned above, and as shown by deed from T.T. Stewart and wife, to Frank and Mary Kickam, recorded in Deed Book 115, page 208, in the Probate Office of Shelby County, Alabama, a few black people met in a decreptic, old, small building situated on said land described in the deed from Mr. Stewart as mentioned herein. I remember I loaned them a lamp, as they met at night. Within two or three months after we purchased the land from Mr. Stewart, some of the black people came back and tore the building down and took the lumber away. They just abandoned the church and I never heard from them from that time until now. I know they are not still assessing the land even though some county records may erroneously show that they are. I claim to own and have occupied and lived on and have had under fence all of said land where said church was located and in fact all of the land which my wife and I purchased from Mr. Stewart in 1942 and as corrected by deed in 1956, as mentioned above. And I have used what is known as the "old Bamford Road" as a driveway up to my home from the time I purchased said land until the present time.

During all the time while we have lived on said land, no one ever contested our title or possession to said land.

This the 5th day of April, 1980.

Frank Kickam
Frank Kickam

Sworn to and subscribed before me

on this the 5th day of April, 1980.

Charles E. Harmon
Notary Public

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