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Probate Judge 6-25-92
Shelby County

STATE OF ALABAMA

SHELBY COUNTY

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF
SHELBY COUNTY, ALABAMA

STATE OF ALABAMA,

PETITIONER

VS.

GULF STATES PAPER COMPANY, A
CORPORATION, et als,

RESPONDENTS

DECREE

This cause coming on to be heard on this day for a decree confirming the Report of Commissioners heretofore appointed by the Court in this said cause and for an order of condemnation in pursuance thereof as to the lands and properties described or designated in said Report of Commissioners and in Petitioner's Application for Order of Condemnation, as last amended, heretofore filed in this said cause;

And it appearing to the satisfaction of the Court that, in pursuance of a former Decree of this Court rendered on, to-wit, the 12th day of January, 1966, appointing L. C. Walker, D. F. Bolton and George Horn, Commissioners in this said cause, to assess and appraise the damages and compensation to which the owners and claimants of the said properties described in said Application for Order of Condemnation, as last amended, are entitled, written notice to said persons of their appointment as such Commissioners and copies of the written commissions issued to said persons were duly served on each of said persons by the Sheriff of Shelby County, Alabama, within five days after receipt thereof by said Sheriff, as required by law;

And it further appearing to the satisfaction of the Court that said Commissioners, and each of them, before entering upon the discharge of their duties in the premises, were sworn as jurors are sworn and did make oath that they, and neither of them, were not directly nor indirectly interested in the issue to be tried and had not been consulted, advised with, or approached by any person in reference to the value of the lands and properties described more particularly in the Application for Order of Condemnation, as last amended, or the proceedings to condemn the same prior to the assessment of damages and knew nothing of the same prior to their appointment as Commissioners and were not biased nor prejudiced against either or any of the parties to this cause and did make further oath that they, and each of them, would render such compensation to the Respondents as to them shall seem just and proper in the premises;

And it further appearing to the satisfaction of the Court that said Commissioners, L. C. Walker, D. F. Bolton and George Horn, undertook to act and did act as Commissioners under appointment and decree hereinabove specified and did receive all legal

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evidence offered by any and all parties touching the amount of damages the owners of the lands and properties and other parties interested therein will sustain and the amount of compensation they are entitled to receive;

And it further appearing to the satisfaction of the Court that said Commissioners did, on, to-wit, the 25th day of January, 1966, make their report in writing to this Court setting forth the amounts of damages and compensations ascertained and assessed by said Commissioners for the owners of each separate tract or parcel of land and other properties sought to be condemned, or for the persons injured and other parties interested herein, and to which said owners and other parties are entitled by reason of the taking and condemnation in this said cause, as follows, the owners or claimants of each separate tract or parcel and the particular description of each separate tract or parcel being contained under the corresponding tract number as designated in Exhibits B of the Application for Order of Condemnation, as last amended, viz:

TRACT NO.	DAMAGES AND COMPENSATION AND ASSESSED BY COMMISSIONERS
5	\$ 7,571.00
9	\$ 1,335.00
14	1,500.00
16	570.00
20	2,300.00
21	6,130.00
22	<u>2,306.00</u>
TOTAL	\$ 21,712.00 ,

the sum of all of the damages and compensations ascertained and assessed by said Commissioners being the sum of \$21,712.00 dollars, as set forth in said written report of Commissioners;

And it further appearing to the satisfaction of the Court that said Commissioners did also file a certificate along with their award that they, and each of them, possess the qualifications of jurors; that they, and each of them, are entirely disinterested in this cause; that they, and neither of them, had ever been consulted, advised with, or approached by any person in reference to the value of the lands and properties, or the proceedings to condemn the same prior to the assessment of damages or prior to their appointment as Commissioners in this said cause; they and neither of them, knew nothing of the same prior to their appointment;

And it further appearing to the satisfaction of the Court that the Petitioner in this cause has on, to-wit, the 28th day of FEBRUARY, 1966, paid and deposited into this Court the total sum of all the damages and compensations ascertained and

assessed by said Commissioners, being the sum of \$21,712.00, dollars, as set forth in said written report of Commissioners, and that the Petitioner has further done and performed all things necessary and required by the laws of the State of Alabama;

IT IS THEREFORE, CONSIDERED, ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED by the Court that the said written report of the Commissioners heretofore filed in this said cause on, to-wit, the 25th day of January, 1966, be and the same is hereby confirmed and adopted by the Court, the copy of said written report of Commissioners being by reference hereto made a part of this decree.

It is further considered, ordered, adjudged and decreed by the Court that the following separate tracts or parcels of land and other properties sought to be condemned in said Application for Order of Condemnation, as last amended--i.e.; the lands and properties described or designated as Tract Numbers 9, 14, 16, 20, 21, 5, and 22 of Exhibits B of said Application, the particular descriptions of the said Tracts of Exhibits B of said Application being by reference hereto made a part of this decree; be, and the said tracts are hereby separately and severally condemned, granted and awarded to Petitioner herein, State of Alabama, each said separate tract or parcel of land and other properties, now condemned, herein and hereby being separately and severally divested out of the owners and interest holders of each said separate tract or parcel, as designated in said Exhibit B of said Application, Respondents to this said cause, and vested in the Petitioner for the uses and purposes stated in said Application for Order of Condemnation, as last amended, and for no other purposes;

It is further considered, ordered, adjudged and decreed by the Court that the sum of \$21,712.00 dollars which was, on, to-wit, the 25th day of FEBRUARY, 1966, paid and deposited in this Court, be held by the Court for distribution or apportionment of the separate awards of damages and compensations ascertained and assessed by the Commissioners for each separate tract of land and other properties, as set forth in said written report of Commissioners, to the rightful owners of each said separate tract or parcel or to the persons injured and other parties interested therein, as designated in said Exhibits B of said Application, in accordance with the laws of the State of Alabama;

It is further considered, ordered, adjudged and decreed by the Court that the costs in this proceeding, including compensation to L. C. Walker, in the amount of Seventy Five and no/100's (\$75.00) Dollars, and to D. F. Bolton in the amount of Seventy Five and no/100's (\$75.00) Dollars, plus Five and 40/100's (\$5.40) Dollars mileage, and to George Horn in the amount of Seventy Five and no/100's (\$75.00) Dollars, plus Four and no/100's (\$4.00) Dollars mileage, which said amounts are considered by the

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Court to be reasonable compensation to be paid to said L. C. Walker, D. F. Bolton and George Horn for their services as Commissioners in this cause--be, and the same are hereby taxed against the Petitioner, State of Alabama, and it appearing to the satisfaction of the Court that the Petitioner has, on, to-wit, the 18th day of February, 1966, paid and deposited into this Court the total sum of all costs in this proceedings, being the sum of \$ 551.55 Dollars, and that this order of condemnation is now due to be granted unto the Petitioner;

It is further considered, ordered, adjudged and decreed by the Court that the said written report of Commissioners, together with said Application for Order of Condemnation and all amendments, orders, and decrees made in this cause and the pleadings filed therein, including this said decree, be, and the same are hereby ordered to be recorded, in accordance with the laws of the State of Alabama.

Done this 28 day of February, 1966.

Lawson Darter
Judge of Probate of Shelby County, Alabama

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