

This instrument was prepared by:

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Birmingham, AL 35236-0187**MORTGAGE****STATE OF ALABAMA**

Shelby

COUNTY }

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: That Whereas,

Cecil L. Cox and wife, Renee B. Cox

(hereinafter called "Mortgagors", whether one or more) are justly indebted to

Van Lowrey

(hereinafter called "Mortgagee", whether one or more), in the sum

of Thirty Seven Thousand Nine Hundred Eighty Four and 73/100ths-----Dollars
(\$ 37,984.73), evidenced by a balloon mortgage note dated December 1, 1995

Inst # 1996-03222

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SHELBY COUNTY JUDGE OF PROBATE
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And Whereas, Mortgagors agreed, in incurring said indebtedness, that this mortgage should be given to secure the prompt payment thereof.

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises, said Mortgagors, Cecil L. Cox and wife,
Renee B. Cox

and all others executing this mortgage, do hereby grant, bargain, sell and convey unto the Mortgagee the following described real estate, situated in Shelby County, State of Alabama, to wit:

Lot 153, according to the Survey of Weathelry, Sector 2, Phase II, as recorded in Map Book 14, Page 73, in the Probate Office of Shelby County, Alabama.

Mortgagors agree to provide Mortgagee with an insurance policy naming Mortgagee as Loss Payee on or before December 1st of each year. Said insurance policy shall be paid a year in advance. Failure to comply with either or both of the above, shall constitute a default under the terms of this mortgage. Mortgagors also agree to provide Mortgagee with a copy of a paid receipt of the property taxes every year prior to December 15.

This mortgage obligation cannot be assumed without the prior approval by the mortgage holder. Said approval must be obtained in writing prior to the assumption of this mortgage. If the property which is the subject of this mortgage and note executed simultaneously herewith is transferred without the mortgage holder's prior approval as specified above, the mortgagee has the option to declare the entire balance of the indebtedness due and payable. THE MORTGAGEE MAY CHOOSE NOT TO ALLOW THIS LOAN TO BE ASSUMED.

The proceeds of this loan have been applied on the purchase of the herein described property.

**THE PREPARER OF THIS DOCUMENT HAS NOT
EXAMINED TITLE TO THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED
HEREIN AND MAKES NO CERTIFICATION AS TO TITLE.**

Said property is warranted free from all incumbrances and against any adverse claims, except as stated above.

To Have and to Hold the above granted property unto the said Mortgagee, Mortgagee's successors, heirs, and assigns forever; and for the purpose of further securing the payment of said indebtedness, the undersigned agrees to pay all taxes or assessments when imposed legally upon said premises, and should default be made in the payment of same, the said Mortgagee may at Mortgagee's option pay off the same; and to further secure said indebtedness, first above named undersigned agrees to keep the improvements on said real estate insured against loss or damage by fire, lightning and tornado for the fair and reasonable insurable value thereof, in companies satisfactory to the Mortgagee, with loss, if any payable to said Mortgagee, as Mortgagee's interest may appear, and to promptly deliver said policies, or any renewal of said policies to said Mortgagee; and if undersigned fail to keep said property insured as above specified, or fail to deliver said insurance policies to said Mortgagee, then the said Mortgagee, or assigns, may at Mortgagee's option insure said property for said sum, for Mortgagee's own benefit, the policy if collected, to be credited on said indebtedness, less cost of collecting same; all amounts so expended by said Mortgagee for taxes, assessments or insurance, shall become a debt to said Mortgagee or assigns, additional to the debt hereby specially secured, and shall be covered by this Mortgage, and bear interest from date of payment by said Mortgagee, or assigns, and be at once due and payable.

Upon condition, however, that if the said Mortgagor pays said indebtedness, and reimburses said Mortgagee or assigns for any amounts Mortgagee may have expended for taxes, assessments, and insurance, and interest thereon, then this conveyance to be null and void; but should default be made in the payment of any sums expended by the said Mortgagee or assigns, or should said indebtedness hereby secured, or any part thereof, or the interest thereon, remain unpaid at maturity, or should the interest of said Mortgagee or assigns in said property become endangered by reason of the enforcement of any prior lien or incumbrance thereon, so as to endanger the debt hereby secured, then in any one of said events, the whole of said indebtedness hereby secured shall at once become due and payable, and this mortgage be subject to foreclosure as now provided by the law in case of past due mortgages, and the said Mortgagee, agents or assigns, shall be authorized to take possession of the premises hereby conveyed, and with or without first taking possession after giving twenty-one days' notice, by publishing once a week for three consecutive weeks, the time, place and terms of sale, by publication in some newspaper published in County and State, sell the same in lots or parcels or en masse as Mortgagee, agents or assigns deem best, in front of the Court House door of said County, (or the division thereof) where said property is located, at public outcry, to the highest bidder for cash, and apply the proceeds of the sale: First, to the expense of advertising, selling and conveying, including a reasonable attorney's fee; Second, to the payment of any amount that may have been expended, or that it may then be necessary to expend, in paying insurance, taxes, or other incumbrances, with interest thereon; Third, to the payment of said indebtedness in full, whether the same shall or shall not have fully matured at the date of said sale, but no interest shall be collected beyond the day of sale; and Fourth, the balance, if any, to be turned over to the said Mortgagor and undersigned further agree that said Mortgagee, agents, or assigns may bid at said sale and purchase said property, if the highest bidder therefor; and undersigned further agree to pay a reasonable attorney's fee to said Mortgagee or assigns, for the foreclosure of this mortgage in Chancery, should the same be so foreclosed, said fee to be a part of the debt hereby secured.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the undersigned

have hereunto set our signatures and seal, this 30th day of December, 1995

Cecil L. Cox (SEAL)
Renee B. Cox (SEAL)
Inst. # 1996-03222 (SEAL)

THE STATE of Alabama
Shelby COUNTY }
I, the undersigned

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a Notary Public in and for said County, in said state,

hereby certify that Cecil L. Cox and Renee B. Cox
whose names are signed to the foregoing conveyance, and who are known to me acknowledged before me on this day, that being informed of the contents of the conveyance they executed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date.
Given under my hand and official seal this 30th day of December, 1995

[Signature] Notary Public
4-2296

THE STATE of _____
COUNTY }
I, _____

a Notary Public in and for said county, in said State,

hereby certify that
whose name as _____ of _____, a corporation,
is signed to the foregoing conveyance, and who is known to me acknowledged before me on this day, that being informed of the contents of such conveyance, he, as such officer and with full authority, executed the same voluntarily for and as the act of said corporation.
Given under my hand and official seal this _____ day of _____, 19____

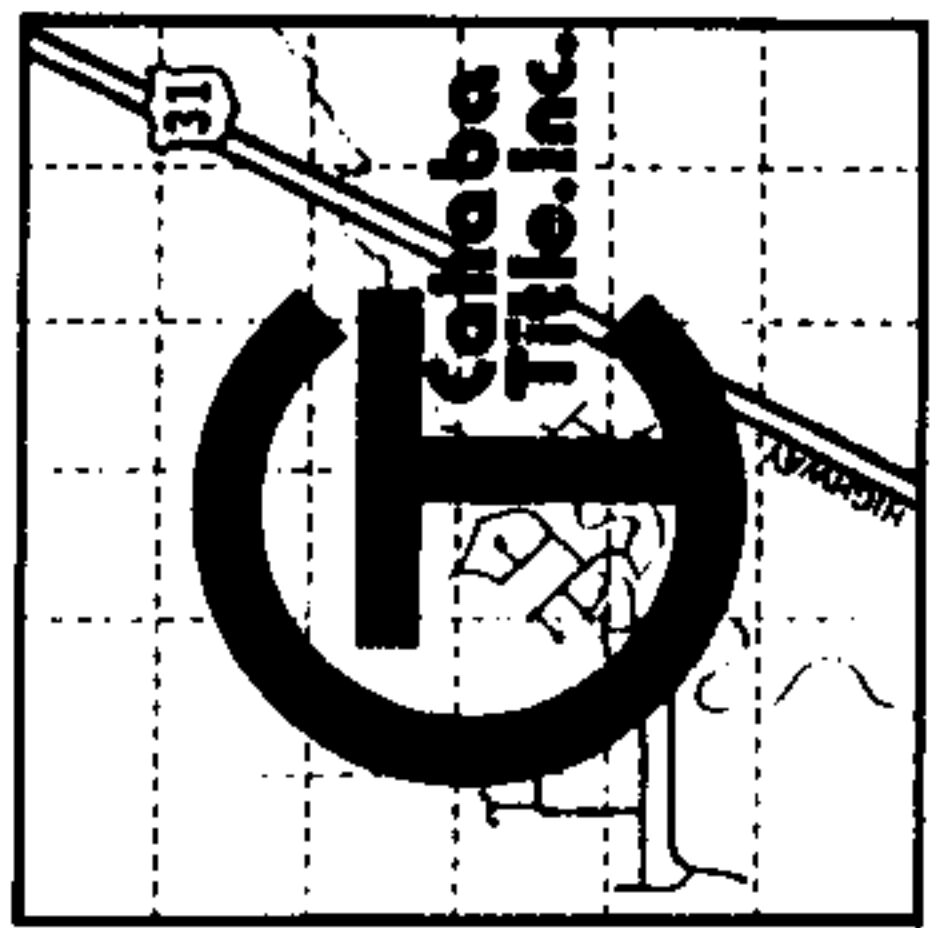
Notary Public

Return to:

Van Lourey
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Pellham, AL 35124-0535

TO

MORTGAGE
STATE OF ALABAMA
COUNTY OF Shelby



Recording Fee \$
Deed Tax \$

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