

This instrument was prepared by:  
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SEND TAX NOTICE TO:  
DAVID W. BLAND  
SUZANNE W. BLAND  
3804 Kinross Drive  
Birmingham, AL 35242

STATE OF ALABAMA}  
COUNTY OF SHELBY)

1996-11078  
Inst

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS. That in consideration of **TWO HUNDRED TWENTY-SEVEN THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS AND NO/100's (\$227,500.00)** to the undersigned grantor or grantors in hand paid by the GRANTEEES herein, the receipt of whereof is acknowledged, I/we **STEPHEN CRAIG RICHARDSON** and wife, **MARY ELIZABETH KEITH RICHARDSON**, (herein referred to as grantors, whether one or more) do grant, bargain, sell, and convey unto **DAVID W. BLAND** and **SUZANNE W. BLAND** (herein referred to as GRANTEEES) as joint tenants, with right of survivorship, the following described real estate, situated in SHELBY County, Alabama:

Lot 334A, according to a Resurvey of Lots 334 and 335 Brook Highland, an Eddleman Community, 7th Sector, recorded in Map Book 14, Page 13, in the Probate Office of Shelby County, Alabama.

Subject to:  
Ad valorem taxes for 1996 and subsequent years not yet due and payable until October 1, 1996. Existing covenants and restrictions, easements, building lines, and limitations of record.

\$204,750.00 of the consideration was paid from the proceeds of a mortgage loan closed simultaneously herewith.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD Unto the said GRANTEEES as joint tenants, with right of survivorship, their heirs and assigns, forever; it being the intention of the parties to this conveyance, that (unless the joint tenancy hereby created is severed or terminated during the joint lives of the grantees herein) in the event one grantee herein survives the other, the entire interest in fee simple shall pass to the surviving grantee, and if one does not survive the other, then the heirs and assigns of the grantees herein shall take as tenants in common.

And I/we do for myself/ourselves and for my/our heirs, executors, and administrators, covenant with said GRANTEEES their heirs and assigns, that I am/we are lawfully seized in fee simple of said premises, that they are free from all encumbrances, unless otherwise noted above, that I/we have a good right to sell and convey the same as aforesaid, and that I/we will and my/our heirs, executors, and administrators shall warrant and defend the same to the said GRANTEEES, their heirs executors and assigns forever, against the lawful claims of all persons.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I/we have hereto set my/our hand(s) and seal(s), this the 22nd day of March, 1996.

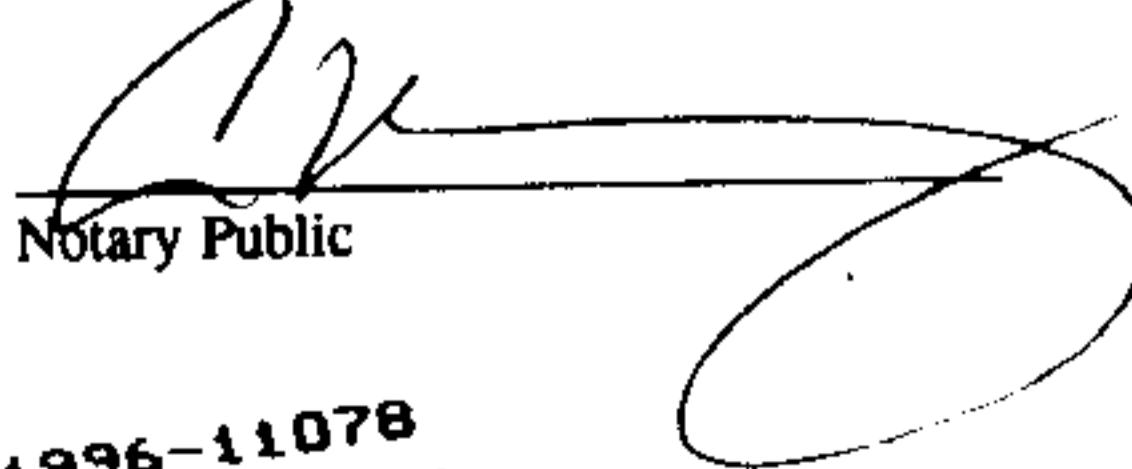
  
STEPHEN CRAIG RICHARDSON

  
MARY ELIZABETH KEITH RICHARDSON

STATE OF ALABAMA}  
JEFFERSON COUNTY)

CLAYTON T. SWEENEY, ATTORNEY AT LAW  
I, the undersigned authority, a Notary Public in and for said County in said State, hereby certify that **STEPHEN CRAIG RICHARDSON** and **MARY ELIZABETH KEITH RICHARDSON**, 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 22nd day of March, 1996.

  
Notary Public

My Commission Expires: 5/29/99

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SHELBY COUNTY JUDGE OF PROBATE  
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