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STATE OF OHIO

COUNTY OF

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Before me, the undersigned authority, a Notary Public, in and for said County in said State, personally appeared Earl Elston, who after being by me first duly sworn, deposes, and says on oath as follows:

My name is Earl Elston, and I am over the age of 21 years, and am familiar with the following facts:

Lola Bates was the last record owner of the following described property, situated in Shelby County, Alabama, to-wit:

Lot No. A, in the Montevallo Coal and Transportation Company's Subdivision of the West Half of the Southeast Quarter, Section 19, Township 22 South, Range 3 West, known as the Town of Aldrich, as shown on the plat filed in the Office of the Judge of Probate of said County. Situated in Shelby County, Alabama.

Lola Bates died intestate in 1987, leaving no children. She was one of fourteen children born to Ed and Maggie Lockett, namely Brady Lockett, Dovie Lockett, Alice Lockett, Lucille Lockett, Brooklyn Lockett, Edna Lockett King, Willa Mae Lockett Steel, Christina Lockett Bell, Margaret Lockett Pullen, Eleanor Lockett Wisdom, George Lockett, Beatrice Lockett Elston, Ethel Lockett Lewis, and Lola Lockett Bates.

Of the thirteen brothers and sisters of Lola Bates, five of them died as teenagers, leaving no children. These were Brady Lockett, Dovie Lockett, Alice Lockett, Lucille Lockett, and Brooklyn Lockett.

Edna Lockett King predeceased Lola Bates, leaving one son, Douglas King, who is also deceased, leaving no children.

Willa Mae Lockett Steel predeceased Lola Bates, leaving no children or spouse.

Christina Lockett Bell died in 1984. She had five children, namely: Kelly Bell, Brooklyn Bell, Johnnie Mae Williford, Darlene Green Bromby, and Juanita Jones. Kelly Bell died leaving no children. Brooklyn Bell died leaving a daughter, Gloria Bell Thomas. Johnnie Mae Williford is still alive. Darlene Green died leaving a son, James Randall Green, who is also deceased, leaving no children. Juanita Jones died in 1987, leaving a daughter, Christina A. Jones Irby, who was later adopted outside the family.

Margaret Lockett Pullen and Beatrice Lockett Elston are still living.

George Lockett died leaving no children.

Ethel Lewis died leaving two sons: Lorenzo Lewis, Jr. and Gregory A. Lewis.

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This affidavit is given to establish the heirs at law and next of kin of Lola Bates, deceased, namely: Gloria Bell Thomas, Johnnie Mae Williford, Christina A. Jones Irby, Margaret Pullen, Beatrice Elston, Lorenzo Lewis, Jr. and Gregory A. Lewis.

Further the affiant saith not.

Earl Elston

Sworn to and subscribed to before me this _____ day of May, 1996.

Notary Public

State of Ohio, Cuyahoga County

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