

MINERAL DEED

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That Floyd E. Benton

of Granite Bay, CA hereinafter called Grantor, (whether one or more) for and in consideration of the sum of Ten Dollars (\$ 10.00) cash in hand paid and other good and valuable considerations, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, do hereby grant, bargain, sell, convey, transfer, assign and deliver unto Annie Margaret (Burridge) Benton of Granite Bay, CA hereinafter called Grantee (whether one or more) an undivided one hundred (100%) interest in and to all of the oil, gas and other minerals in and under and that may be produced from the following described lands situated in Shelby County, State, Alabama, to wit:

All of the oil, gas and other minerals in and under may be produced from the following described lands situated in Shelby County, State of Alabama.

Section 6, Township 21, Range 4 West, of all of the Northeast quarter (NE¼) of the Northwest quarter (NW¼), one hundred and sixty (160) acres
Section 1, Township 21, Range 5 West, all of the Northwest quarter (NW¼), of the Northwest quarter (NW¼) forty (40) acres.
Five (5) acres located on the South side of the Northwest quarter (NW¼) of the Northwest quarter (NW¼)
Ten (10) acres located in the Northwest quarter (NW¼).
Fifteen (15.0) acres located in the Northeast quarter (NE¼) of the Northeast quarter (NE¼).
Fifty (50) acres being the East half (E½) of the Northwest quarter (NW¼).
Total of two hundred and eighty (280.0) acres.

containing 280.00 acres, more or less, together with the right to ingress and egress at all times for the purpose of mining, drilling, exploring, operating, and developing said lands for oil, gas, and other minerals, and storing, handling, transporting and marketing the same therefrom with the rights to remove from said land all of Grantee's property and improvements.

This sale is made subject to any rights now existing to any lessee or assigns under any valid and subsisting oil and gas lease of record heretofore executed; it being understood and agreed that said Grantee shall have, receive, and enjoy the herein granted undivided interest in and to all bonuses, rents, royalties and other benefits which may accrue under the terms of said lease insofar as it covers the above described land from and after the date hereof, precisely as if the Grantee herein had been at the date of the making of said lease the owner of a similar undivided interest in and to the lands described and Grantee one of the lessors therein.

Grantor agrees to execute such further assurances as may be requisite for the full and complete enjoyment of the rights herein granted and likewise agrees that Grantee herein shall have the right at any time to redeem for said Grantor by payment, any mortgage, taxes, or other liens on the above described land, upon default in payment by Grantor, and be subrogated to the rights of the holder thereof.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD. The above described property and easement with all and singular the rights, privileges, and appurtenances thereunto or any wise belonging to the said Grantee herein heirs heirs, successors, personal representatives, administrators, executors, and assigns forever, and Grantor do hereby warrants said title to Grantee, her heirs, executors, administrators, personal representatives, successors and assigns forever and do hereby agree to defend all and singular the said property unto the said Grantee herein, her heirs, successors, executors, personal representatives, and assigns against every person whomsoever claiming or to claim the same or any part thereof.

And the undersigned Grantors, for themselves and their heirs, successors, and assigns hereby waive and release all right of dower and homestead in the premises described herein, insofar as said right of dower and homestead may in any way effect the purpose for which this instrument is made, as recited herein.

WITNESS my hand this 24th day of March, 19 98

Witnesses:

By Floyd E. Benton
FLOYD E. BENTON
Inst # 1998-10541

STATE OF Calif.

County of Placer

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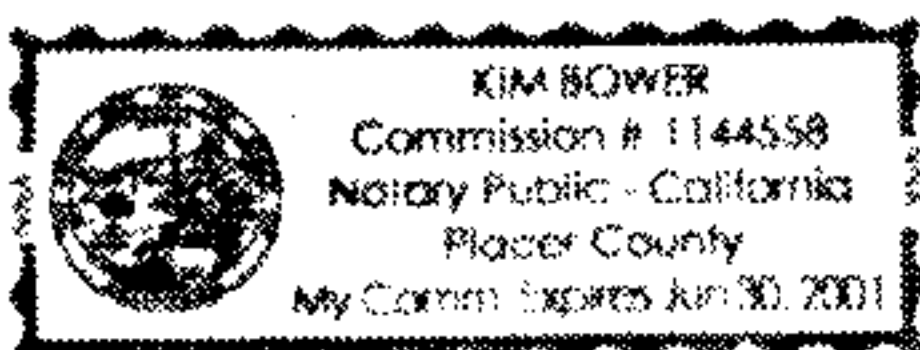
SHELBY COUNTY JUDGE OF PROBATE
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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT
Single or Married

On this 24 day of March, 19 98, before me personally appeared Floyd E. Benton to me known to be the person (or persons) described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged that he (she or they) executed the same as his (her or their) free act and deed, including the release and waiver of the right of homestead, the said wife having been by me fully apprised of her right and effect of signing and acknowledging the said instrument.

Given under my hand and seal the day and year in the certificate first above written.

My Commission expires on the 30 day of June, A.D., 2001



Kim Bower
Notary Public