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SEND TAX NOTICE TO:
BILLY J. LACEY
DEBRA T. LACEY
1449 HIGHLAND LAKES TRAIL
BIRMINGHAM, AL 35242

04/22/1998
11:06 AM CERTIFIED
SHELBY COUNTY JUDGE OF PROBATE
001 SMA 126.50

1998-14467

STATE OF ALABAMA}
COUNTY OF Shelby}

Warranty Deed/TLWR

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That in consideration of **THREE HUNDRED FORTY FOUR THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND NO/100 DOLLARS (\$344,900.00)** to the undersigned grantor or grantors in hand paid by the GRANTEES herein, the receipt of whereof is acknowledged, I, JAMES H. BUSBY, a married man, D/B/A SIGNATURE HOMES and wife, , (herein referred to as grantors, whether one or more) do grant, bargain, sell, and convey unto **BILLY J. LACEY and DEBRA T. LACEY** (herein referred to as GRANTEES) as joint tenants, with right of survivorship, the following described real estate, situated in Shelby County, Alabama:

Lot 359, according to the Amended map of Highland Lakes, 3rd Sector, Phase 1, an Eddleman Community, as recorded in Map Book 21, Page 124, in the Probate Office of Shelby County, Alabama; being situated in Shelby County, Alabama.

Together with nonexclusive easement to use the private roadways, Common Area all as more particularly described in the Declaration of Easements and Master Protective Covenants for Highland Lakes, a Residential Subdivision, recorded as Instrument #1994-07111 in the Probate Office of Shelby County, Alabama, and the Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions for Highland Lakes, a Residential Subdivision, 1st Sector, recorded as Instrument #1994-07112 in the Probate Office of Shelby County, Alabama (which, together with all amendments thereto, is hereinafter collectively referred to as, the "Declaration").

Subject to:

Ad valorem taxes for 1998 and subsequent years not yet due and payable until October 1, 1998. Existing covenants and restrictions, easements, building lines, and limitations of record.

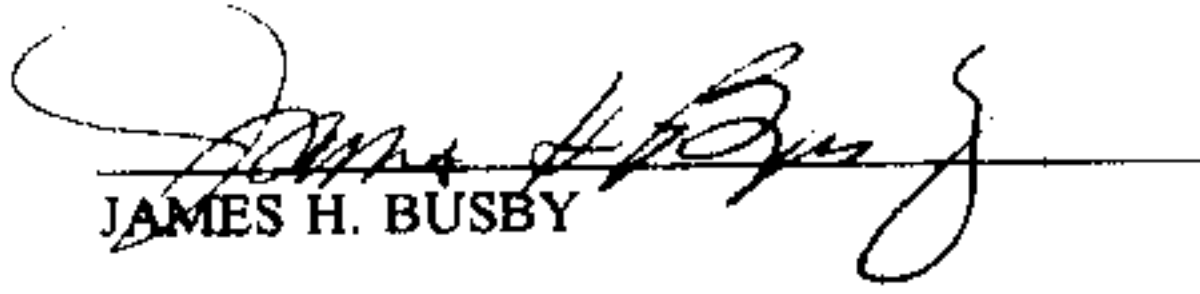
\$227,150.00 of the consideration was paid from the proceeds of a mortgage loan closed simultaneously herewith.

Subject property is not the homestead of the grantor nor his spouse.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD Unto the said GRANTEES 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 GRANTEES 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 GRANTEES, their heirs executors and assigns forever, against the lawful claims of all persons.

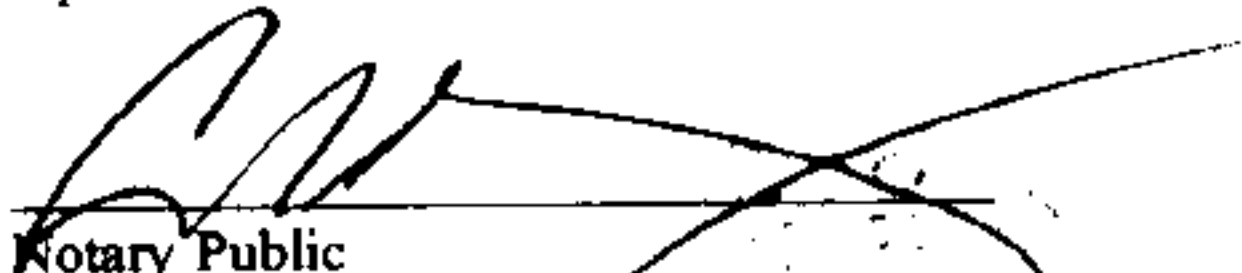
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereto set my hand(s) and seal(s), this the 16th day of April, 1998.


JAMES H. BUSBY

STATE OF ALABAMA}
JEFFERSON COUNTY}

I, the undersigned authority, a Notary Public in and for said County in said State, hereby certify that JAMES H. BUSBY, a married man, D/B/A SIGNATURE HOMES whose name 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 the conveyance, they executed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date.

Given under my hand and official seal this 16th day of April, 1998.


Notary Public

My Commission Expires: 5/29/99

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