

I. Douglas Joseph have been a resident of the community of Chelsea, East Saginaw, located in Shelby County Alabama for over fifty years. I have been in the lumber and 1-0 1/2 KD. logging business for over thirty years and was asked by T.E. BALHAM to cut timber on the land that his father left him in East Saginaw. This being forty acres located west of Highway 74 and south of Highway 69, running toward highway 39, approximately forty acres, more or less, to be logged.

During the process of cutting timber for T.E. BALHAM on the north side of highway 69, we honored an old fence line that Mickey Minor Griffin said had been there for over forty years. She also stated, her father and mother, Wilford D. and Eunice K. Minor had used the enclosed land for a garden and pasture since they moved there in 1937. That year they built their home and garage on property that they understood was theirs believing that they owned everything on the north side of the road.

Knowing Mr. & Mrs. Wilford Minor for over thirty years, I realized that the land

enclosed by fence had been used by them and their family as long as I can remember.

I didn't realize the enclosed land was on T.E. BALHAM, until Harold Griffin asked

me to recognize or honor the old fence line as the property line.

T.F. BALHAM didn't realize the situation at the beginning of the cutting because he had inherited the property since his father's death and was not familiar with property lines. He recognized the fence line and the timber was not cut on Wilford Minor's side of the fence, land now owned by Harold D. and Mickey Minor Griffin.

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