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COUNTY OF SHELBY)

  
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Shelby Cnty Judge of Probate, AL  
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MELL BENNETT POWELL, being duly sworn, deposes and says:

1. That I, MELL BENNETT POWELL, 1521 Exeter Avenue, Bessemer, Alabama 35020, am over the age of nineteen (19) years and of sound mind and deposing memory. I know, or have known all the individuals named in this affidavit as each was either born, passed away or as they may still be living (as the case may be).

2. That I, MELL BENNETT POWELL, have known during my lifetime JOSEPH SQUIRE POWELL, SR. and EVELYN PARSONS POWELL. I was married, at one time, to JOSEPH SQUIRE POWELL, JR. ("former husband") who was one of the only three children born to JOSEPH SQUIRE POWELL, SR. and EVELYN PARSONS POWELL and together we had three sons namely: JOSEPH S. POWELL, III, DAVID B. POWELL and BENJAMINN S. POWELL all of whom are the only children of JOSEPH SQUIRE POWELL, JR. My former husband had only two siblings namely: PATRICIA POWELL PRAYTOR, TERRY OWEN POWELL.

3. During my lifetime, Clara Squire Powell informed me that JOSEPH SQUIRE POWELL, SR. was the only child born to the marriage of THOMAS HENRY POWELL and CLARA SQUIRE POWELL.

4. During my lifetime, JOSEPH SQUIRE POWELL, SR. died on June 8, 1992, and is now buried at Cedar Grove Cemetery in Helena, Alabama. JOSEPH SQUIRE POWELL, SR. made it known to me; he was the owner of all the property described in Paragraph 5 below. EVELYN PARSONS POWELL died on October 18, 2006 and never remarried. EVELYN PARSONS POWELL and JOSEPH SQUIRE POWELL, SR. to my knowledge had no other children except those set out in Paragraph 2 above.

5. During my lifetime, I met and came to know, CLARA SQUIRE POWELL. CLARA SQUIRE POWELL was my former husband's grandmother, and I knew that she lived with my former husband's father, JOSEPH SQUIRE POWELL, SR.. I knew CLARA SQUIRE POWELL at the time of her death and knew she died on April 2, 1977. It was common knowledge and I knew that my former husband's grandmother, CLARA SQUIRE POWELL, owned and paid taxes on the property herein described

directly below in this Paragraph 5 of my affidavit. My former husband's grandmother told me, during her lifetime, that she was the only surviving heir of JOSEPH SQUIRE and JEMIMA GREENWOOD SQUIRE who were my former husband's great grandparents. It was told to me that JOSEPH SQUIRE was the owner of the following real property situated at Shelby County, Alabama and more particularly described as follows:

W 1/2 of NW 1/4, Section 14, Township 20 South, Range West, Shelby County, Alabama, also identified as Parcel No. 13-6-14-2-001-001 in the office of the Property Tax Commissioner of Shelby County, Alabama

East 295' of SE 1/4 of NE 1/4 of Section 15, Township 20 South, Range 3 West, lying North of Buck Creek, also identified as Parcel No. 13-5-15-1-001-002 in the office of the Property Tax Commissioner of Shelby County,

6. Further, it was common knowledge among members of my former husband's family that:

A. My former husband's great grandfather, JOSEPH SQUIRE, was born on November 24<sup>th</sup>, 1829 in Rochdale, England and died on the 24<sup>th</sup> day of October, 1911.

B. My former husband's great grandmother, JEMIMA GREENWOOD SQUIRE, was born in Rochdale England in 1862 and died at Helena, Alabama on February 23, 1890.

C. JEMIMA GREENWOOD SQUIRE and JOSEPH SQUIRE were married to each other on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of November, 1882 at the Trinity Church, New York City, New York.

D. JEMIMA GREENWOOD SQUIRE and JOSEPH SQUIRE had only one child, CLARA SQUIRE POWELL, born in Helena, Alabama on the 27<sup>th</sup> day of November 1884.

E. At the time of JOSEPH SQUIRE'S death my former husband's grandmother, CLARA SQUIRE POWELL to my knowledge was the only surviving heir.

Clara B. Powell  
Affiant

Sworn to before me this 20<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2015.



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