IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE) IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF
OF) BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA
JEFF TARVIN, Deceased.) IN EQUITY. NO. 3204.

PETITION FOR FINAL SETTLEMENT BY CONSENT

TO THE HONORABLE HUBERT M. HALL, JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT,

SITTING IN EQUITY:

Now comes the Petitioner, Pearl Tarvin, as the widow of the decedent, and as Administratrix of the estate of Jeff Tarvin, deceased, having been heretofore duly and legally appointed by the Probate Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, as such Administratrix on the 12th day of December, 1953, and also come Andrew Tarvin, Jeff Tarvin, Dave Tarvin, Joe Tarvin, Felex Tarvin, Anette Tarvin, J. W. Tarvin, John Lee Tarvin, Minnie Robbins, Melvina Wearns, Maria Tarvin, Jelious Tarvin, Robertta Tarvin, Ella Read Tarvin, Patricia Tarvin, Coreen Tarvin, Hellen Tarvin, Jeff Tarvin, Jr., Jerry Tarvin, Betty Lue Tarvin, Daniel Tarvin, Labarron Tarvin, Elijah Tarvin, Annie Stalling, Lucille Davis, Frank Tarvin, Willie Mae Haywood, Fannie Mae Oliver, Tommy Lee Cannor, Mariah Weaver, Sylvia Sanders, Willis Weaver, Jr., Alberta Weaver, Charles Weaver, Raymond Weaver, and Hellon Stalling, who constitute all the heirs at law and next of kin of the decedent, by and through their attorneys, W. C. Beebe and C. LeNoir Thompson, each of said heirs at law and next of kin being over the age of twenty-one (21) years, and each of said heirs at law and next of kin by, and through their said attorneys, do hereby join in this application and petition for a final consent settlement of this estate, and respectfully show unto Your Honor and this Honorable Court as follows:

1. The administration of the estate of Jeff Tarvin, deceased was transferred from the Probate Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, to this Court and the administration of said estate is now pending in this Court.

LAW OFFICES J. Terry Reynolds, Jr. And William R. Lauten IST NAT'L BANK BLDC. MOBILE, ALA. No claims have been filed against said estate and more than six
(6) months have lapsed since the appointment of Pearl Tarvin as Administratrix and
of said estate,/said Administratrix has not used any of the funds of said estate for her own personal use and benefit, and the condition of said estate is in all respects such that a final settlement should be made and perfected, subject to the payment of court costs in this cause incurred.

3. All other matters pertaining to the distribution and administration of this estate have been settled between and among the parties hereto, and the heirs at law and next of kin of said decedent agree to pay all costs of court incurred in the administration of this estate, such costs to be paid upon the rendition of the decree for final settlement.

4. A report setting apart certain exemptions to the widow has been filed in this cause by the commissioners duly appointed by this court, and exceptions to the report have been filed by the heirs at law and next of kin, after the Supreme Court of Alabama, denied the appeal of the heirs at law from the ruling of this court on the demurrer to the exceptions theretofore filed, and the matter of the widow's exemption and the matter of the exceptions filed since such appeal to the Supreme Court of Alabama having been settled between and among the parties to this petition, and it is agreed that the widow personal is entitled to all the/property set apart to her in the report of the commissioners, including the following:

- 1. All money in a savings account, No. 106649, in the First National Bank of Mobile, Alabama, in the amount of \$142.96.
- 2. All money in a savings account, No. 955, in the First National Bank of Atmore, Alabama, in the approximate amount of \$139.08, plus interest.
- 3. All the wearing apparel of Jeff Tarvin and of Pearl Tarvin, the widow; all yarn and cloth on hand intended for their use and consumption; all books kept and used in the family; all family protraits and pictures; all grain, stores and groceries on hand necessary for the support of the family for twelve (12) months after the death of Jeff Tarvin, deceased; all bedding, household and kitchen furniture.

LAW OFFICES J. TETTY Reynolds, Jr. AND William R. Lauten 1ST NAT'L BANK BLDG. MOBILE, ALA. 5. It is further agreed that the widow, Pearl Tarvin, in conveying by quitclaim deed during the pendency of the administration of said estate, any interest that she might have in and to real estate other than that set apart to her by the commissioners in their report filed in this cause, has not waived her right to claim an exemption in lieu of homestead. It is further agreed that the widow, Pearl Tarvin, is entitled to an exemption in lieu of homestead in and to the real property which has heretofore been set apart to her as such exemption, which is located in Baldwin County, Alabama, and is described as follows:

> East one-half of Southeast quarter of Section 5, Township 3 North, Range 3 East, Baldwin County, Alabama, containing 80 acres, more or less.

It is further agreed that the value of the widow's interest in said real property is \$300.00, which amount the widow acknowledges, upon the execution of this petition by her and by the said attorneys for said heirs at law and next of kin, she has received from said heirs at law and next of kin, in consideration of which, the widow has signed, scaled and delivered a quitclaim deed covering said real estate to the heirs at law and next of kin.

6. That the estate of Jeff Tarvin, deceased, consisted of the following real estate, located in Baldwin County, Alabama, described as follows:

> East half of Southeast Quarter of Section 5; Northwest Quarter of Southwest Quarter; West half of Northeast Quarter of Southwest Quarter of Section 9, all in Township 3 North, Range 3 East, Baldwin County, Alabama, containing 150.90 acres, more or less.

North half of Northeast Quarter of Northeast Quarter of Section 8, Township 3 North, Range 3 East, Baldwin County, Alabama, containing 20 acres, more or less.

North half of Northwest Quarter of Northeast Quarter of Section 8, Township 3 North, Range 3 East; Baldwin County, Alabama, containing 40 acres, more or less.

Northwest Quarter of Northeast Quarter of Section 27, Township 4 North, Range 3 East, Baldwin County, Alabama, containing 40 acres, more or less.

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All of Northeast Quarter of Section 29, Township 4 North,

Range 3 East, lying East of the Alabama River, Baldwin County, Alabama, containing 60 acres, more or less.

 East half of Southeast Quarter of Section 5, Township 3 North, Range 3 East, Baldwin County, Alabama, containing 80 acres, more or less.

However, no income was received from said real property by the Administratrix as rental or from any other source. The rest of said estate consisted of the personal property described in the report of the commissioners which has been set apart to the widow.

7. It is further shown that Pearl Tarvin, as Administratrix of said estate has received the personal property described in the report of the commissioners and set apart to her as the widow, and that she, as personal representative, has delivered said personal property to herself, as the widow. It is further shown that no one, other than the parties to this petition, is entitled to or should receive the assets of said estate or any portion thereof.

THE PREMISES CONSIDERED, your Petitioners, in their respective capacities as herein set out, respectfully pray that this petition, with Exhibit "A", hereto attached, and made a part hereof, be taken by this Honorable Court and Your Honor, as and for the final settlement and accounting of the Administratrix of said estate, and that this petition be set down for hearing, notice of said hearing being hereby expressly waived by the said heirs at law and next of kin by and through their said attorneys, and that upon said hearing this Honorable Court be pleased to decree that Pearl Tarvin, as Administratrix of said estate, has discharged her duties in accordance with the law; that the Administratrix and the surety on her bond be discharged from all liability in and about the administration of said estate, and that such other, further and different orders and decrees be entered in the premises as may be necessaty or proper for the final settlement and distribution of the estate, that Your Honor will discharge and release Pearl Tarvin, as Administratrix of said estate, upon the court costs incurred in this proceeding being paid, and that, upon compliance with the orders, decrees and mandates of this court, the said

LAW OFFICES J. TERTY REYNOLds, Jr. AND William R. Lauten 1st NAT'L BANK BLDG. MOBILE, ALA. Pearl Tarvin be relieved from any other further liability as such Administratrix, without further notice to the parties of interest herein named, said notice being hereby expressly waived.

Respectfully submitted,

Pearl Tarvin, as Administratrix of the estate of Jeff Tarvin, deceased, and as the widow of said Jeff Tarvin, deceased.

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C. Le Noir Thompson As attorneys for all the heirs at law and next of

kin of Jeff Tarvin, deceased.

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William R. Lauten As attorneys for Pearl Tarvin, Administratrix of the estate of Jeff Tarvin, deceased, and as the widow of Jeff Tarvin, deceased.

STATE OF ALABAMA)) COUNTY OF MOBILE)

Before me, the undersigned authority in and for said County in said State, personally appeared Pearl Tarvin, as the widow and as the Administratrix of the estate of Jeff Tarvin, deceased, who, being by me duly sworn, deposes and says that the allegations stated in the above and foregoing petition are true and correct.

Affiant

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 1/2 day of July, 1958.

LAW OFFICES J. TETTY REUNOIDS, Jr. AND William R. Lauten 19T NAT'L BANK BLDG. MOBILE, ATA.

Notary Public, Mobile County, Alabama.

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EXHIBIT "A"

STATE OF ALABAMA)) COUNTY OF BALDWIN)

We, W. C. Beebe and C. LeNoir Thompson, as attorneys for all the distributees, heirs at law and next of kin of Jeff Tarvin, deceased, do hereby acknowledge on behalf of the distributees, heirs at law and next of kin of Jeff Tarvin, deceased, that said distributees, heirs at law and next of kin have received from the estate of Jeff Tarvin, deceased, all of their respective, distributees' share to which they are or may be entitled and expressly consent and agree that the release and discharge of Pearl Tarvin, as the Administratrix of said estate, without the filing of any final accounting by said Administratrix, and without further notice to us or to the said distributees, heirs at law and next of kin of Jeff Tarvin, deceased, and on their behalf, we do hereby expressly waive notice of or publication relative to the final settlement of this estate, and we, on their behalf, do further consent and agree that said peititon for final settlement be heard without further notice to the distributees, heirs at law and next of kin, of Jeff Tarvin, deceased, and we do expressly acknowledge that we are familiar with the contents of the petition for final settlement and

we are agreeable to the same.

W.C. Beebe

C. LeNoir Thompson As attorneys for all the distributees, heirs at law and next of kin of Jeff Tarvin, deceased, consisting of the following:

Andrew Tarvin, Jeff Tarvin, Dave Tarvin, Joe Tarvin, Felex Tarvin, Anette Tarvin, J. W. Tarvin, John Lee Tarvin, Minnie Robbins, Melvina Wearns, Maria Tarvin, Jelious Tarvin, Robertta Tarvin, Ella Read Tarvin, Patricia Tarvin, Coreen Tarvin, Hellen Tarvin, Jeff Tarvin, Jr., Jerry Tarvin, Betty Lue Tarvin, Daniel Tarvin, Labarron Tarvin, Elijah Tarvin, Annie Stalling, Lucille Davis, Frank Tarvin, Willie Mae Haywood, Fannie Mae Oliver, Tommy Lee Cannor, Mariah Weaver, Sylvia Sanders, Willis Weaver, Jr., Alberta Weaver, Charles Weaver, Raymond Weaver, and Hellon Stalling

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IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE) IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN OF JEFF TARVIN Deceased.) COUNTY, IN EQUITY) No. 3204

IN THE MATTER OF THE SETTING APART OF EXEMPTIONS TO THE WIDOW

<u>D E M U R R E R</u>

Now comes Pearl Tarvin, the widow in the above matter and demurs to the alleged contest and to each of said reasons therefor, separately and severally, numbered 1, 2, 4, 5 and 6, and as separate and several grounds of such demurrer, sets down and assigns the following:

1. For that said reason constitutes no ground for contesting the setting apart of a homestead exemption or exemption in lieu of homestead to the widow.

2. For that it affirmatively appears that the real property set apart in the report of the commissioners is an exemption in lieu of homestead.

3. For that it affirmatively appears that the decedent was not required to live on the real property reported by the commissioners as his homestead in order for the court to set said property apart to the widow as an exemption in lieu of homestead.

4. For that it affirmatively appears that the alleged contest is not made in accordance with the law governing contests of reports of commissioners setting apart exemptions.

5. For that it affirmatively appears that the widow made no selection of the Northwest quarter of Northeast quarter of Section 27, Township 4 North, Range 3 East, or of that part of the Northeast quarter of Section 29, Township 4 South, Range 3 East, lying East of the Alabama River.

6. For that it affirmatively appears that the widow selected the property reported by the commissioners to be set apart to her as her exemption in lieu of homestead.

7. For that it affirmatively appears that the widow's interest in the property in Sections 27 and 29 was only a dower interest.

8. For that it affirmatively appears that the widow's interest in the property in Sections 27 and 29, Township 4South, Range 3 East, consisted

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of her dower right in said property.

9. For that it affirmatively appears that the widow's dower right in the real property of the decedent is separate and distinct from any right she may have as a homestead or as an exemption in lieu of homestead in the real property reported by the commissioners to be set apart to her as an exemption in lieu of homestead.

10. For that it affirmatively appears that the widow had no interest in the property conveyed on February 18, 1956, other than a dower interest.

II. For that it affirmatively appears that the conveyance of the widow's dower interest of certain property of the decedent does not prevent her from claiming an exemption in lieu of homestead out of other real property of the decedent.

12. For that it affirmatively appears that the widow had not selected as her homestead exemption or exemption in lieu of homestead the property conveyed by her on February 18, 1956, but that she had selected as her homestead exemption or exemption in lieu of homestead the property reported by the commissioners to be set apart to her as her homestead exemption or exemption in lieu of homestead.

13. For that it affirmatively appears that the widow is not barred from asserting her claim in the real property reported by the commissioners to be set apart to her as her exemption in lieu of homestead.

14. For that it affirmatively appears that the decedent had no property exempt to him from levy and sale.

15. For that it affirmatively appears that the property set apart by the appraisers does not exceed in area and value the limits of exemption set by the law and statutes of Alabama.

l6. For that it affirmatively appears that the land, the interest of the widow in which was conveyed on February 18, 1956, is not the same land as that reported by the commissioners to be set apart to the widow or any part thereof.

LAW OFFICES J. TETTY REYNOLDS, JT. 1ST NAT'L BANK BLDG. MOBILE, ALA. 17. For that it affirmatively appears that the widow has not abandoned or waived any right to have the East half of the Southeast quarter of Section 5, Towhship 3 North, Range 3 East, set apart to her as her homestead exemption or as exemption in lieu of homestead. 18. For that it affirmatively appears that the widow has not abandoned or waived any right to have real property of the decedent other than the property conveyed on February 18, 1956, set apart to her as a homestead exemption or as an exemption in lieu of homestead.

19. For that it affirmatively appears that the widow has not parted with any right to claim land of the decedent other than that which may have been conveyed on February 18, 1956, as exempt to her from administration as a homestead exemption or as an exemption in lieu of homestead.

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Solicitors for Petitioner, Pearl Tarvin

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ADMINISTRATOR'S BOND

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA, BALDWIN COUNTY

PROBATE COURT, _____19__

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, THAT WE, PEARL TARVIN

AS PRINCIPAL, AND THE UNDERSIGNED AS SURETY

ARE HELD AND FIRMLY BOUND UNTO W. R. STUART

JUDGE OF PROBATE OF SAID COUNTY, AND HIS SUCCESSORS IN OFFICE IN THE PENAL SUME OF Five Thousand and No/100- - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - Dollars

FOR THE PAYMENT OF WHICH, WELL AND TRULY TO BE MADE AND DONE, WE BIND OURSELVES,

AND EACH OF US, OUR AND EACH OF OUR HEIRS, EXECUTORS AND ADMINISTRATORS, JOINTLY

AND SEVERALLY, FIRMLY BY THESE PRESENTS. SEALED WITH OUR SEALS AND DATED, THIS <u>SUCH</u>, DAY OF <u>December</u> 1953. THE CONDITION OF THIS OBLIGATION IS SUCH, THAT WHEREAS, <u>PEARL TARVIN</u>

HAS BEEN APPOINTED ADMINISTRATOR OF ESTATE OF JEFF TARVIN, DECEASED

Now, THEREFORE, IF THE SAID PEARL TRRVIN

SHALL WELL AND TRULY PERFORM ALL THE DUTIES WHICH ARE OR MAY BE BY LAW REQUIRED OF MER AS SUCH ADMINISTRIX, THEN THIS OBLIGATION TO BE NULL AND VOID, OTHERWISE TO REMAIN IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT.

AND WE, AND EACH OF US, HEREBY WAIVE ALL RIGHTS OF CLAIM OF EXEMPTION AS TO PERSONAL PROPERTY WE OR EITHER OF US HAVE NOW OR MAY HEREAFTER HAVE, UNDER THE CONSTITUION AND LAWS OF ALABAMA, AND WE HEREBY SEVERALLY CERTIFY THAT WE HAVE PROPERTY FREE FROM ALL INCUMBRANCE TO THE FULL AMOUNT OF THE ABOVE BOND.

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(L.S.) AMERICAN CASUALTY COMPANY (L,S,)(L.S.)

TAKEN AND APPROVED, THIS 12th day of December 1953.

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POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: That the AMERICAN CASUALTY COMPANY OF READING, PENNSYLVANIA, a Pennsylvania Corporation, having its principal office in the City of Reading, County of Berks, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, pursuant to the following By-Law, adopted by the stockholders of the said Company on November 21st, 1950, to wit:

"Article VI—Section 2. Powers of Attorney—The President, or any Vice President shall have power and authority to appoint Attorneys-in-Fact, and to authorize them to execute on the behalf of the Company and attach the seal of the Company thereto, bonds and undertakings, recognizances, contracts of indemnity and other written obligatory in the nature thereof, and they may, at any time, revoke the authority of any such Attorneys-in-Fact."

does hereby constitute and appoint

H. AUSTILL PHARR, JR., of Mobile, Alabama.

its true and lawful attorney(s)-in-fact, to execute, seal and deliver for and on its behalf as surety, any and all bonds and undertakings, recognizances, contracts of indemnity and other writings obligatory in the nature thereof, which are or may be allowed, required on permitted by law, statute, rule, regulation, contract or otherwise,

provided, however, that the penal sum of any one such instrument executed hereunder shall not exceed ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND AND NO/100 (\$100,000.00) DOLLARS

and the execution of such instrument(s) in pursuance of these presents, shall be as binding upon the said AMERICAN CASUALTY COMPANY OF READING, PENNSYLVANIA, as fully and amply, to all intents and purposes, as if the same had been duly executed and acknowledged by its regularly elected officers at its principal office.

All authority hereby conferred shall expire and terminate without notice at midnight of 10-6-54

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the AMERICAN CASUALTY COMPANY OF READING, PENNSYLVANIA has caused these presents to be signed and its corporate seal to be affixed by its authorized officer this <u>26th</u> day of <u>August</u> <u>19</u>53

F. O. BEATTIE

Vice-President

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, COUNTY OF BERKS.

On this <u>26th</u> day of <u>August</u>, <u>19</u><u>53</u>, before me came the individual, to me personally known, who executed the preceding instrument, and being by me duly sworn, said that he is the therein described and authorized officer of the AMERICAN CASUALTY COMPANY OF READING, PENNSYLVANIA; that the seal affixed to said instrument is the corporate seal of said Company, and the said corporate seal and his signature were duly affixed by the authority and direction of the said Corporation, and that Article VI. Section 2, of the By-Laws, of said Company, referred to in the preceding instrument, is now in force.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand, and attixed my official seal at the City of Reading, the day and year first above written.

My commission expires March 23rd	19.51 R.C. Pahl
COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, } SS:	Notary Public.
PENNSYLVANIA, do hereby certily that the foregoing is a alty Company of Reading, Pennsylvania, and that I have	, Assistant Secretary of the AMERICAN CASUALTY COMPANY OF READING, true and correct copy of Power of Attorney issued by said American Casu- compared same with the ORIGINAL on file in the Home Office of said Com- whole of the said original, and that the said Power of Attorney has not been
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed	my name as Assistant Secretary, and affixed the corporate seal of the Com-
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STATE OF ALABAMA

COUNTY OF BALDWIN

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF) IN THE PROBATE COURT JEFF TARVIN, DECEASED.) NO.

GRANT OF LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION

This day came Pearl Tarvin and filed her petition in writing and under oath, alleging that Jeff Tarvin, who at the time of his death was an inhabitant of this County, died intestate, on or about the year, 1944, leaving assets in this State consisting of real estate, and personal property, the estimated value of which personal property is FIVE HUNDRED AND NO/100 (\$500.00) DOLLARS. That the death of the intestate has been more than forty days; and that the Petitioner is the widow of said decedent; and praying that Letters of Administration may be granted to said Pearl Tarvin upon her entering into bond in such sum and with such securities as are required by law; and said Pearl Tarvin, having filed bond, as such Administratrix, in the sum of FIVE THOUSAND AND NO/100 (\$5,000.00)DOLLARS, with American Surety Company as security thereon, payable and conditioned as the law directs and approved by the Judge of this Court:

It is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED by the Court that said Pearl Tarvin be and she is hereby appointed Administratrix of said Estate, and that Letters of Administration on said Estate do issue to said Pearl Tarvin forthwith.

It is further ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED by the Court that said Pearl Tarvin, as such Administratrix, proceed immediately to collect and take into her possession the goods and chattels, money, books, papers and evidences of debt of the decedent, and to make and return to this Court within two months, a full and complete inventory of the same.

Done this $12^{\frac{7h}{2}}$ day of <u>December</u>, 1953.

STATE OF ALADAMA, BALDWIN COUNTY JUDGE OF Recorded Part Min book 2- page 340 W.R. Stuart Judge of Probate Ho

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TO THE HONORABLE HUBERT M. HALL, JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA, IN EQUITY SITTING:

Comes L. B. Tarvin and by leave of court first had and obtained and intervenes in this cause specificially for the purpose of making this motion:

And now moves this Honorable Court to strike from the petition filed therein and from any and all orders, decrees and papers therein those lands described as follows:

> North half of Northeast quarter of Northeast quarter and the North half of Northwest quarter of Northeast quarter of Section 8, Township 3 North, Range 3 East;

Northwest quarter of Northeast quarter of Section 27, Township 4 North, Range 3 East;

All of the Northeast quarter that lies on the East side of the Alabama River in Section 29, Township 4 North, Range 3 East;

And as ground for this motion this intervener says that Jeff Tarvin was not the owner of the said lands at the time of his death, but, that at the said time and at the time of the filing of this motion, this petitioner was and is the owner of the said lands, and that this court ought not to permit further proceeding as to said lands because if the same are set aside as exempt in this proceeding, such action by this court would cause, create and any decree rendered would constitute a cloud on the title of this petitioner to said lands.

And this petitioner offers to make proof of the matters alleged in this motion.

BEEBE & , SWZARZA Attorneys Petitioner ór

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STATE OF ALABAMA

BALDWIN COUNTY

Before me, the undersigned Notary Public in and for said State and County, this day personally appeared W. C. Beebe, who is known to me and who being by me duly sworn, deposes and says that he is attorney for L. B. Tarvin and as such is authorized and direct-ed by him to make and file the foregoing motion; that he has made a search of the records of Baldwin County, Alabama and that the facts stated in the foregoing motion are true. stated in the foregoing motion are true.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 1/day of 1954.

Public, Notary State of Alabama at

large. J



C. LeNOIR THOMPSON

Attorney-At-Law

BAY MINETTE, ALABAMA

PHONES : 5941

November 21, 1956

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Ars. Alice J. Duck Clerk of the Circuit Court Bay Minette, Alabama

Dear ^Mrs. Duck:

Please subpeone the following as witnesses for the Respondentsin the matter pending before this court of Pearl Tarvin vs Tarvin et al, set for December 4th, at 1:30 P. M.,

Frank Earle and Ulmer Bradley, Blachsher, Alabama. M. D. Cox, Stockton, Alabama.

Sincerely,

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Copy to: Honorable W. C. Beebe Attorney At Law Bay Minette, Alabama 20

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA. IN EQUITY NO. 3204

DECEASED.

JEFF TARVIN,

This cause coming on to be heard is submitted upon the Report of Commissioners and Appraisers, contest on behalf of Andrew Tarvin, et al., to the report of the Commissioners and Appraisers, demurrer of Pearl Tarvin to the contest to Commissioners; and Appraisers; Report;

The parties, in oral argument, of the demurrer, before the Court abandoned Graunds 1, 2 and 3 of the contest, and submitted the matter on grounds 4, 5 and 6 of the contest.

The Court, after hearing argument of Solicitors, and considering the contest and the demurrer thereto, is of the opinion that the demurrer is well taken and should be sustained; it being the opinion of the Court that the said Pearl Tarvin in conveying lands as described in the contest, and not being a part of those set apart to her as exempt in lieu of homestead did not thereby waive her rights to claim the exemptions in lieu of home--stead;

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that the demurrer be and the same is hereby sustained.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the contestants be and they are hereby allowed 20 days in which to file additional pleadings. Dated this 11th day of December, 1956.

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FILED Dec 12 1956 ALICE I. MICK, Register J. TERRY REYNOLDS. JR. ATTORNEY AT LAW 605 FIRST NATIONAL BANK BUILDING MOBILE, ALABAMA TELEPHONE 3-3661 February 8, 1954

Mrs. Alice J. Duck, Register Circuit Court of Baldwin County Bay Minette, Alabama

Re: Estate of Jeff Tarvin, dec'd.

Dear Mrs. Duck:

Please find enclosed herewith a verified petition of the Administratrix of the Estate of Jeff Tarvin, deceased, which Estate is now pending in the Probate Court of Baldwin County. You will also find enclosed an order of the Circuit Court transferring the Cause from the Probate Court to the Circuit Court, in Equity, and an order of the Probate Court of Baldwin County making such transfer in compliance with the said decree of the Circuit Court.

Will you please file the petition, and give the order of the Circuit Court to Judge Hall to sign and then file the order in the cause in the Circuit Court, and then give Judge Stuart the order of the Probate Court and have him file the same in the cause in the Probate Court.

Thanking you for your assistance in this matter, I am

Yours very truly,

WILLIAM R. LAUTEN

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IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE) IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF OF JEFF TARVIN, DECEASED) BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA) IN EQUITY NO._____

TO THE HONORABLE HUBERT M. HALL, JUDGE OF SAID COURT, SITTING IN EQUITY:

The following is a full inventory of all the goods and chattels, money, books, papers and evidences of debt of Jeff Tarvin, deceased, which have come into the knowledge of the Administratrix:

GOODS AND CHATTELS

1. Money in a savings account, No. 106649, in the First National Bank of Mobile, Mobile, Alabama, in the amount of \$134.70.

2. Money in a savings account, No. 955, in the First National Bank of Atmore, Atmore, Alabama, in the amount of \$139.08.

3. Money in a checking account in the Baldwin County Bank, Bay Minette, Alabama, in the name of Andrew Tarvin, in the amount of \$1,237.00.

4. Household furniture and other household goods located in Blacksher, Alabama.

5. Livestock.

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STATE OF ALABAMA

COUNTY OF MOBILE

Pearl Tarvin, Administratrix of the estate of Jeff Tarvin, deceased, being duly sworn, makes oath that the foregoing inventory made by her is full and complete as to the goods and chattels, debts and money, which were of the said deceased at the time of his death, so far as the same have come to her knowledge or possession.

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Subscribed and sworn to before me this that of April, 1954.

Public, Mobile County, Alabama Notary

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EX PARTE PEARL TARVIN, as) IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF Administratrix of the Estate) BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA of JEFF TARVIN, deceased.

) IN EQUITY) NO.

TO THE HONORABLE JUDGE OF SAID COURT, SITTING IN HIBERT M.

Now comes the Petitioner, Pearl Tarvin, as Administratrix of the Estate of Jeff Tarvin, deceased, and shows unto Your Honor as follows;

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That the Petitioner was appointed Administratrix of the Estate of Jeff Tarvin, deceased, by the Probate Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, on December 12, 1953.

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That the Estate of Jeff Tarvin, deceased, is now pending in the Probate Court of Baldwin gounty, Alabama.

THREE

That in the opinion of the Petitioner the said Estate of Jeff Tarvin, deceased, can be better administered in the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, in Equity, than in the Probate Court of Baldwin County, Alabama.

WHEREFORE, THE PREMISES CONSIDERED, your Petitioner prays that Your Honor will enter an order directed to the Probate Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, removing the said cause from the Probate Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, to the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, in Equity, and your Petitioner prays for such other, further or different and general relief to which she may be entitled, the premises considered.

Peorl Jarvin Petitioner

STATE OF ALABAMA COUNTY OF MOBILE

Before me, the undersigned authority in and for said County in said State, personally appeared Pearl Tarvin, who being by me known and first duly sworn, deposes and says that she is the Petitioner in the above and foregoing petition, and that she signed the same, and that the allegations made therein are true

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IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JEFF TARVIN, Deceased.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA IN BOUITY NO. <u>3204</u>

TO THE HONORABLE H. M. HALL, JUDGE CF SAID COURT, IN EQUITY, SITTING: Comes Frank Tarvin and Mariah Tarvin Meaver, heirs of Jeff Tarvin, dec- > eased, and respondents in the said cause now pending before this Honorable Court, by their attorney of record, C. LeNoir Thompson and moves this Honorable Court to set aside the appointment of appraisers heretofore made by this Honorable Court and-or any report made by them in the above styled cause and as grounds for said motion shows as follows:

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That the said Frank Tarvin has not been served with all of the papers filed in said cause and material to his interest.

That the said Mariah Tarvin Weaver has not been served with all of the papers filed in said cause and material to her interest.

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That the said C. Lelloir Thompson, Attorney of record for the afore-named Respondents has had no notice of any appointment of appraisers in this cause until learing of same accidental on the 21st day of February, after said appointment had been made.

WHEREFORE, this motion.

ttorney 1°01 Respondents.

STATE OF ALABAMA RALDWIN COUNTY

Before me, the undersigned authority personally appeared C. LeNoir Thompson, who being duly sworn deposes and says: That the foregoing facts alleged in said motion are true and correct to the best of his information, knowledge and belief.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 24th day of February, 19

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IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JEFF TARVIN, Deceased.) IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF) BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA) IN EQUITY) NO.

PETITION BY WIDOW TO SET APART EXEMPTIONS

TO THE HONORABLE HUBERT M. HALL, JUDGE OF SAID COURT SITTING IN EQUITY

Now comes Pearl Tarvin, who makes this petition and respectfully represents unto Your Honor the following facts:

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That she is over the age of twenty one years, a bona fide resident of Mobile County, Alabama, and is the widow of Jeff Tarvin, now deceased; that said Jeff Tarvin died intestate in the year of, to-wit, 1944; that at the time of his death he was a resident of Baldwin County, Alabama; that he left surviving him no minor children; that the administration of his estate is now pending in this Court and your Petitioner is Administratrix of said estate, having been appointed the same by the Probate Court of this County on December 12, 1953.

<u>T W O</u>

That said Jeff Tarvin left surviving him his widow, your Petitioner, and the following named heirs, next of kin and distributees of his estate, all of whom are over the age of twenty one years and of sound mind:

- 1. Andrew Tarvin, son, whose address is Blacksher, Alabama,
- 2. Joseph T. Tarvin, son, whose address is 1160 St. Madar Street, Mobile, Alabama.
- 3. Jack Tarvin, son, whose address is Prichard, Alabama.
- 4. J. T. Tarvin, son, whose address is Prichard, Alabama.
- 5. Felix Tarvin, son, whose address is 1160 St. Madar Street, Mobile, Alabama.
- 6. Mariah Tarvin Weaver, daughter, whose address is Blacksher, Alabama.
- 7. Annie Tarvin, daughter, whose address is Detroit, Michigan.
- 8. L. B. Tarvin, son, whose address is Detroit, Michigan.
- 9. Dave Tarvin, son, whose address is 222 Engine Street, Whistler, Alabama.
- 10. Jeff Tarvin, Jr., son, whose address is 227 Engine Street, Whistler, Alabama.

LAW OFFICES REYNOLDS & DOWNING 1st NAT'L BANK BLDG. MOBILE, ALA. 11. Willie Mae Hayworth, Granddaughter, being the daughter of decedent's deceased son, whose address is Youngstown, Ohio.

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12. Lucille Tarvin Davis, daughter, whose address is Detroit, Michigan.

13. Frank Tarvin, son, whose address is Blacksher, Alabama.14. Elijah Tarvin, son, whose address is Detroit, Michigan.

The Petitioner further alleges that the deceased, Jeff Tarvin, had about nine other children, but the Petitioner does not know whether they are living or dead, and if dead, whether they left any heirs or next of kin, and if so, whether such heirs or next of kin be living or dead, or what the addresses of such other children be, and if they be dead, what the addresses of such heirs or next of kin of such other children be. The Petitioner does not know the addresses of such heirs and next of kin of the decedent other than as stated in the preceding paragraph, although the Petitioner has made diligent search and inquiry to determine such addresses.

THREE

The said Jeff Tarvin, at the time of his death, was the owner of or had an interest in the following described real property, all of which is located in Baldwin County, Alabama, viz:

The Northwest quarter of the Southwest quarter of Section Nine, Township Three North, Range Three East, containing approximately Forty acres; West half of Northeast quarter of Southwest quarter of Section Nine, Township Three North, Range Three East, containing approximately Twenty acres; East Half of Southeast quarter of Section Five, Township Three North, Range Three East, containing approximately Eighty acres; Northeast quarter of Northwest quarter of Section Nine, Township Three North, Range Three East, containing approximately Forty acres; North half of Northeast quarter of Northeast quarter of Section Eight, Township Three North, Range Three East, containing approximately Twenty acres; North half of Northwest quarter of Northeast quarter of Section Eight, Township Three North, Range Three East, containing approximately Forty acres; Northwest quarter of Northeast quarter of Section Twenty Seven, Township Four North, Range Three East, containing approximately Forty acres; all of the Northeast Quarter that lies on the East side of Alabama River in Section Twenty Nine, Township Four North, Range Three East, containing approxiimately Sixty acres;

<u>F O U R</u>

The following is a list of all the personal property of which your Petitioner has knowledge which was owned by said Jeff Tarvin, or in which said Jeff Tarvin had an interest, at the time of his decease:

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1. Money in a savings account, No. 106649, in the First National Bank of Mobile, Mobile, Alabama, in the amount of \$134.70.

2. Money in a savings account, No. 955, in the First National Bank of Atmore, Atmore, Alabama, in the amount of \$139.08.

3. Money in a checking account in the Baldwin County Bank, Bay Minette, Alabama, in the name of Andrew Tarvin, in the amount of \$1,237.00.

4. Household furniture and other household goods located in Blacksher, Alabama.

5. Livestock.

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Your Petitioner further shows that the administration of the estate of Jeff Tarvin, deceased, is now pending in this Court, having been removed to this Court from the Probate Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, and that your Petitioner is the duly appointed and acting administratrix of said estate.

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Your Petitioner further shows that there has not been set apart to your Petitioner the personal property exemption to which she is entitled under the laws of the State of Alabama, and there has not been set apart to your Petitioner a homestead exemption to which she is entitled under the laws of the State of Alabama, and that there has been no money allotted to your Petitioner in lieu of homestead exemption, and that a homestead has not been carved out of the estate of Jeff Tarvin, deceased, from the real estate in which he had an interest at the time of his death, and which is above described, and Jeff Tarvin, at the time of his death, had no homestead exempt to him from levy and sale under process. SEVEN

Your petitioner hereby selects the following described personal property to be set a side to her as exempt from administration under the laws of the State of Alabama:

- 1. Money in Savings Account No. 106649 in the First National Bank of Mobile, Mobile, Alabama, in the amount of \$134.70.
- 2. Money in Savings account, No. 955, in the First National Bank of Atmore, Atmore, Alabama, in the amount of \$139.08.
- 3. All bedding and household and kitchen furniture located in Blacksher, Baldwin County, Alabama.
- 4. The first \$726.22 in checking account in Baldwin County Bank, Bay Minette, Alabama, in the name of Andrew Tarvin.

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EIGHT

Your Petitioner selects the following described real property to be carved out of the real estate above described and set apart to your Petitioner as exempt under the laws of the State of Alabama:

The Northwest quarter of the Southwest quarter of Section Nine, Township Three North, Range Three East, containing approximately Forty acres; West half of Northeast quarter of Southwest quarter of Section Nine, Township Three North, Range Three East, containing approximately Twenty acres; Northeast quarter of Northwest quarter of Section Nine, Township Three North, Range Three East, containing approximately Forty acres; North half of Northeast quarter of Northeast quarter of Section Eight, Township Three North, Range Three East, containing approximately Twenty acres; North half of Northwest quarter of Northeast quarter of Section Eight, Township Three North, Range Three East, containing approximately Twenty acres; North half of Northwest quarter of Northeast quarter of Section Eight, Township Three North, Range Three East, containing approximately Forty acres.

That the above described real estate is in value less than SIX THOUSAND AND NO/100 (\$6,000.00) DOLLARS and in area less than One Hundred Sixty (160) acres.

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Your Petitioner further avers that there is no other real estate owned by the said Jeff Tarvin at the time of his death out of which an exempt homestead can be carved.

THE PREMISES CONSIDERED, your Petitioner prays that Your Honor will appoint appraisers of the estate of Jeff Tarvin, deceased, as provided by law, and issue to them a commission and direct them to appraise the above described property which is heretofore selected by your Petitioner in paragraph number Eight, and direct them to carve out of the real estate of said Jeff Tarvin, deceased, a homestead for your Petitioner, and to set apart said real property to your Petitioner as exempt, and your Petitioner further prays that the above described personal property, heretofore selected by your Petitioner in paragraph number Seven, or its equivalent in monetary value to the extent of ONE THOUSAND AND NO/100 (\$1,000.00) DOLLARS in cash, be set apart to your Petitioner. Your Petitioner further prays that Your Honor will direct such appraisers as may be appointed by this Court to report the appraisement and allotment of exemptions to your Honor; that Your Honor will appoint an Administrator Ad Litem to represent the estate of Jeff Tarvin, deceased, in this proceedings, and will

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appoint a Guardian Ad Litem and Attorney Ad Litem to represent the unknown heirs of said decedent; and that Your Honor will cause notice to be issued, directed to the heirs, named herein, and to every such person who may have an interest in such proceeding, advising them of this proceeding and requiring them to appear and show cause, if any, why said property should not be set apart to your Petitioner absolutely and in fee simple, and that Your Honor will cause to be published in The Baldwin Times, a newspaper published in Baldwin County, Alabama, once a week for three consecutive weeks, giving notice of the filing of the report of said appraisers or clerks, and of the day set for the hearing of said report, requiring them to show cause why said property should not be set apart to your Petitioner absolutely, and in fee simple, as to the real estate, as her homestead, and to allow the exemption of said personal property, as heretofore selected by your Petitioner, or its appraised value; that the real estate described herein, after being set apart as provided by law to the Petitioner be ordered by your Honor to be sold, and that the first SIX THOUSAND AND NO/100 (\$6,000.00) DOLLARS of the purchase money therefor be paid to your Petitioner as her homestead, or exemption in lieu of homestead, or if said real property be not sold, that upon a final hearing of this cause Your Honor will cause to enter a decree setting apart said real estate to your Petitioner absolutely and in fee simple, and as to the personalty that your Honor set apart said personalty to your Petitioner or the first ONE THOUSAND AND NO/100 (\$1,000.00) DOLLARS appraised value thereof.

Your Petitioner prays for such other, further, different or general relief to which she may be entitled, the premises considered.

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STATE OF ALABAMA COUNTY OF MOBILE

LAW OFFICES **REYNOLDS & DOWNING** 1st NAT'L BANK BLDG. MOBILE, ALA.

Before me, the undersigned authority, in and for said County in said State, this day personally appeared Pearl Tarvin, who,

being known to me, after having been by me first duly sworn on oath, deposes and says that she is the Petitioner in the foregoing petition; that the facts contained therein are true and correct, and as to the allegations alleged to be upon information and belief, she verily believes to be true and correct.

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Subscribed and sworn to before me this 14th day of April, 1954.

County, Alabama Notary Public, Mobile

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IN THE MATTER OF THE)IN THE PROBATE COURT OFESTATE OF JEFF TARVIN,)BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMAdeceased.)NO.

TO THE HONORABLE W. R. STUART, JUDGE OF THE PROBATE COURT

OF BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA

Your Petitioner, Pearl Tarvin, now residing at 65 Avenue L, Prichard, Alabama, in Mobile County, Alabama, being over the age of twenty-one years and of sound mind, respectfully represents and shows unto Your Honor as follows:

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That in the year, to-wit, 1944, Jeff Tarvin departed this life in the County of Baldwin, State of Alabama, and that he did not leave a last will and testament. That the Petitioner is the widow of said Jeff Tarvin, deceased.

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That the said Jeff Tarvin, decedent, at the time of his death, was a resident citizen of Baldwin County, Alabama, residing at Blacksher, Alabama, and that he left at the time of his death as his heirs, next of kin and distributees the following named persons, whose names, relationships to the decedent and addresses are as follows; to-wit:

> Pearl Tarvin, widow of the deceased, who resides at 65 Avenue L, Prichard, Al abama, and who is over twenty-one years of age and of sound mind.

> Andrew Tarvin, son of the deceased, who resides at Blacksher, Alabama, and who is over twentyone years of age and of sound mind.

Joseph T. Tarvin, son of the deceased, who resides at 1160 St. Madar Street, Mobile, Alabama, and who is over twenty-one years of age and of sound mind.

Jack Tarvin, son of the deceased, who resides at Prichard, Alabama, and who is over twenty-one years of age and of sound mind.

J. T. Tarvin, son of the deceased, who resides at Prichard, Alabama, and who is over twenty-one years of age and of sound mind.

Felix Tarvin, son of the deceased, who resides at 1160 St. Madar Street, Mobile, Alabama, and who is over twenty-one years of age and of sound mind.

Mariah Tarvin Weaver, daughter of deceased, who resides at Blacksher, Alabama, and who is over twenty-one years of age and of sound mind.

Annie Tarvin, daughter of deceased, who resides at Detroit, Michigan, and who is over twenty-one years of age and of sound mind.

L. B. Tarvin, son of the deceased, who is residing at Detroit, Michigan, and whose address is c/o Annie Tarvin, Detroit, Michigan, and who is over twenty-one years of age and of sound mind.

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Dave Tarvin, son of the deceased, who resides at 222 Engine Street, Whistler, Alabama, and who is over twenty-One years of age and of sound mind.

Jeff Tarvin, Jr., son of the deceased, who resides at 227 Engine Street, Whistler, Alabama, and who is over twenty-one years of age and of sound mind.

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Willie Mae Hayworth, grand-daughter of the deceased, being the daughter of the decedent's deceased son, who resides at Youngstown, Ohio, and who is over twenty-one years of age and of sound mind.

Lucille Tarvin, Davis, daughter of the deceased, who resides at Detroit, Michigan, and who is over twentyone years of age and of sound mind.

Frank Tarvin, son of deceased, who resides at Blacksher, Alabama, and who is over twenty-one years of age and of sound mind.

Elijah Tarvin, son of deceased, who resides at Detroit, Michigan, and who is over twenty-one years of age and of sound mind.

The Petitioner further alleges that the deceased had about nine other children, but the Petitioner does not know whether they are living or dead, and if dead, whether they left any heirs or next of kin, and if so, whether such heirs or next of kin be living or dead, and what the addresses of such other children are, and if they be dead, what the addresses of such heirs or next of kin be. The Petitioner does not know the addresses of such heirs and next of kin other than as stated in the preceding paragraph, although the Petitioner has made diligent search and inquiry to determine such addresses, and the Petitioner does not know whether any of the heirs or next of kin of the said decedent be minors and if they are minors whether a guardian has been appointed to represent such minors.

THREE

The Petitioner further alleges that Jeff Tarvin, deceased, left an estate in personalty, which your Petitioner believes to be of the value of about FIVE HUNDRED AND NO/100 (\$500.00) DOLLARS, and probably not more, which your Petitioner is informed and believes, and upon such information and belief alleges to consist of the following, to-wit:

> Household furniture and other household goods, located at the homestead in Baldwin County, Alabama.

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Money in an account in the Baldwin County bank, Bay Minette, Alabama, in the name of Andrew Tarvin. This account is a savings account, and the pass book is believed to be in the hands of C. LeNoir Thompson, Esquire, Bay Minette, Alabama.

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Your Petitioner further alleges that Jeff Tarvin, at the time of his
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death, left an estate in real property, which your Petitioner is informed and believes and upon such information and belief, alleges consists of an interest of the said Jeff Tarvin in the following described real estate, situated, lying and being in Baldwin County, Alabama, to-wit:

> N. W. 1/4 of S. W. 1/4 of S. 9, T. 3 N., R. 3 E., containing approximately forty acres; W. 1/2 of N. E. 1/4 of S. W. 1/4 of S. 9, T. 3 N., R. 3 E., containing approximately twenty acres; E. 1/2 of S. E. 1/4 of S. 5, T. 3 N., R. 3 E., containing approximately eighty acres; N. El/4 of N. W. 1/4 of S. 9, T. 3 N., R. 3 E., containing approximately forty acres; N. 1/2 of N. E. 1/4 of N. E. 1/4 of S. 8, T. 3 N. R. 3 E., containing approximately twenty acres; N. 1/2 of N. W. 1/4 of N. E. 1/4 of S. 8, T. 3 N., R. 3 E., containing approximately twenty acres; N. 1/2 of N. W. 1/4 of N. E. 1/4 of S. 8, T. 3 N., R. 3 E., containing approximately forty acres; N. W. 1/4 of N. E. 1/4 of S. 27, T. 4 N., R. 3 E., containing approximately forty acres; All of the N. E. 1/4 that lies on the east side of Alabama River in S. 29, T. 4 N., R. 3 E., containing approximately sixty acres.

Your Petitioner avers that the estimated value of the rent of the above described real estate for a term of three years is, to-wit, ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED TWENTY AND NO/100 (\$1,920.00) DOLLARS.

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Your Petitioner further respectfully represents unto Your Honor that she is a resident of Mobile County, State of Alabama, and is over the age of twenty-one years and of sound mind, and that she is desirous of being appointed Administratrix of this said Estate.

WHEREFORE, THE PREMISES CONSIDERED, the Petitioner prays that Your Honor will grant Letters of Administration on said Estate to the Petitioner, upon her entering into bond in such sum as is required by the statute, and with such security or securities as shall be approved by Your Honor, and your Petitioner further prays for such other, further, different or general relief to which the Petitioner may be entitled, the premises considered.

Respectfully submitted,

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STATE OF ALABAMA COUNTY OF MOBILE

Before me, the undersigned authority, personally appeared Pearl Tarvin, who being known to me and being by me first duly sworn, deposes and says that the facts as alleged in the above petition are true and correct, and as to the facts which the petition alleges to be upon information and belief, the Petitioner, Pearl Tarvin verily believes the same to be true and

LAW OFFICES REYNOLDS & DOWNING 1st NAT'L BANK BLDG. MOBILE, ALA.

ECCK 002 PAGE 337 Pearl Farvin Affiant correct. Subscribed and sworn to before me this _____ day of November , 1953. ubjic, Mobile County, Alabama J. Living Rungelle A. Hum Soficitors for Hetitioner STATE OF ALABAMA, BALDWIN COUNTY Filed <u>Dec 12, 1953</u> Recorded <u>Pro. 7 Min book 2 page 334</u> <u>W.D. Stuart</u> Judge of Probate, LAW OFFICES **REYNOLDS & DOWNING** 1st NAT'L BANK BLDG. MOBILE, ALA.

JEFF TARVIN, deceased ESTATE OF

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA, IN EQUITY

Come Andrew Tarvin, Annie Tarvin, Lucille Tarvin, Felix Tarvin, Jeff Tarvin, Dave Tarvin and Joe Tarvin, the children and heirs of Jeff Tarvin, deceased, and except to the report of commissioners, James Driesback, Charles E. Gantt, and Maybin Phillips, heretofore made and filed in this cause July 12, 1956 and as grounds of exception say:

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One: That the said lands so set apart were not the homestead of the said Jeff Tarvin at the time of his death.

Two: That at the time of his death the said Jeff Tarvin did not reside on the said lands or any part thereof or on any land described in the petition in this cause and described in the report of the commissioners in this cause, and this court is without jurisdiction to set apart the said lands or any lands to the said Pearl Tarvin, the widow of Jeff Tarvin, as exempt to her from the administration and payment of debts.

Three: That the said lands set apart to her in the report of the commissioners, namely the East half of the Southeast quarter of Section 5, Township 3 North, Range 3 East was at the time of the death of the said Jeff Tarvin of greater value than \$2,000.00.

Four: That heretofore on to-wit: February 18, 1956, while this matter was pending in this court and before the making and filing of the aforesaid report of commissioners the said Pearl Tarvin, as she had a right to do under the law of the State of Alabama, exercised her right of selection of the lands to be set apart to her in lieu of homestead as exempt to her from administration and payment of debts, and did select in lieu of homestead the following described lands, viz: the Northwest quarter of Northeast quarter of Section 27, Township 4 North, Range 3 East, and that part of the Northeast quarter of Section 29, Township 4 North, Range 3 East, lying East of Alabama River, and which said lands so selected by her as shown by the aforesaid report of the aforesaid commissioners and appraisors was of the value of \$2,500.00 as of the date of the death of the said Jeff Tarvin, deceased, and having so selected the same she did, for a valuable consideration, namely: the sum of \$ 400.00, sell the same to one Elijah Tarvin and that in and by selecting the said lands in lieu of homestead and in and by selling the same as aforesaid she abandoned

any and all claims to any and all other lands of the estate of the said Jeff Tarvin, deceased, as exempt to her from administration and payment of debts.

Five: That heretofore on to-wit: February 18, 1956, while this matter was pending in this court and before the making and filing of the aforesaid report of commissioners the said Pearl Tarvin, as she had a right to do under the laws of the State of Alabama, exercised her right of selection of the lands to be set apart to her in lieu of homestead as exempted to her from administration and payment of debts, and did select in lieu of homestead the following describedlands, viz: the Northwest quarter of Northeast quarter of Section 27, Township 4 North, Bange 3 East, and that part of the Northeast quarter of Section 29, Township 4 North, Range 3 East, lying East of the Alabama River, and which said lands so selected by her as shown by the aforesaid report of the aforesaid commissioners and appraisors was of the value of \$2,500.00 as of the date of the death of the said Jeff Tarvin, deceased, and having so selected the same she did, for a valuable consideration, namely: the sum of \$400.00, sell the same to one Elijah Tarvin and that in and by selecting the said lands in lieu of homestead and in and by selling the same as aforesaid she is estopped from claiming any and all other lands of the estate of the said Jeff Tarvin, deceased, as exempt to her from administration and payment of debts.

Six: That heretofore on to-wit: February 18, 1956, while this matter was pending in this court and before the making and filing of the aforesaid report of commissioners the said Pearl Tarvin, as she had a right to do under the laws of the State of Alabama, exercised her right of selection of the lands to be set apart to her in lieu of homestead as exempt to her from administration and payment of debts, and did select in lieu of homestead the following described lands, viz: the Northwest quarter of Northeast quarter of Section 27, Township 4 North, Range 3 East, and that part of the Northeast quarter of Section 29, Township 4 North, Range 5 East, lying East of Alabama River, and which said lands so selected by her as shown by the aforesaid report of the aforesaid commissioners and appraisors was of the value of \$2,500.00 as of the date of the death of the said Jeff Tarvin, deceased, and having so selected the same she did for a valuable consideration, namely: the sum of \$400.00, sell the same to one Elijah Tarvin and that in and by selecting the said lands in lieu of homestead and in and by selling the same as aforesaid she waived any and all claims to any and all other lands of the estate of the said Jeff Tarvin, deceased, as exempt to her from administration and payment of debts.

Seven: That heretofore on to-wit: February 18, 1956, while this matter was pending in this court and before the making and filing of the aforesaid report of commissioners the said Pearl Tarvin, as she had a right to do under the laws of the State of Alabama, exercised her right of selection of the lands to be set spart to her in lieu of homestead as exempt to her from administration and payment of debts, and did select in lieu of homestead the following described lands, viz: the Northwest quarter of Northeast quarter of Section 27, Township 4 North, Range 3 East, and that part of the Northeast quarter of Section 29, Township 4 North, Range 3 East lying East of Alabama River, and which said lands so selected by her as shown by the aforesaid report of the aforesaid commissioners and appraisors was of the value of \$2,500.00 as of the date of the death of the said Jeff Tarvin, deceased, and having so selected the same she did for a valuable consideration, namely: the sum of \$400.00, sell the same to one Elijah Tarvin, and that in and by select ing the said lands in lieu of homestead and in and by selling the same as aforesaid she is therein and thereby barred from claiming any and all other lands of the estate of the said Jeff Tarvin, deceased, as exempt to her from administration and payment of debts.

Eight: That the said Pearl Tarvin, who is over the age of seventy years, is not entitled to have said lands set apart to her as exempt in lieu of homestead under the laws of the State of Alabama, in this, that: since the commencement of this proceeding to have lands set aside to her as the widow of the decedent, Jeff Tarvin, and before the filing of the said report of said commissioners and appraisors the said Pearl Tarvin, as she had a right to do under the laws of the State of Alabama, did exercise her right of selection of the lands to be set apart to her in lieu of homestead as exempt to her from administration and payment of debts, and did select in lieu of homestead the following described lands, viz: the Northwest quarter of Northeast quarter of Section 27, Township 4 North, Range 3 East, lying East of Alabama River, and which said lands so selected by her as shown by the aforesaid report of the aforesaid commissioners and appraisors was of the value of \$2,500.00 as of the date of the death of the safi Jeff Tarvin, deceased, and having so selected the same she did for a valuable consideration, namely: the sum of \$400.00 sell the same to one Elijah Tarvin, which said sum of money, in view of her life expectancy, is in excess of the value of her homestead right in the estate of the said Jeff Tarvin, deceased, and that therein and thereby the said Pearl Tarvin did obtain and receive the full benefit of her right of exemption in lieu of homestead out of the estate of the said Jeff Tarvin, deceased, and is not now and was not after her selection and sale as aforesaid entitled to have other and different lands set aside to her as exempt in lieu of homestead.

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Solicitors for the above named heirs of Jeff Tarvin, deceased.

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TO THE MONCRAELE H. M. HALL, JUDGE OF SAID COURT, IN EQUITY, SITTING:

Comes Mariah Tarvin Heaver, heir of Jeff Tarvin, deceased, and Respondent in the said cause nowpending before this Henorable Court, and movesthis Henorable Court to set aside the appointment of appraisers herefofore made by this Henorable Court and-or any report made by said appraisers in the above styled cause and as grounds for said motion shows as follows:

1.e.

That the said Mariah Tarvin Weaver has not been served with any papers filed in connection with an order of this Honorable Court concerning the appointment of appraisers in said matter or of notice of a petition for Said appraisal and that said notice is material. That the first knowledge of said appraisal given to your Petitioner, Mariah Tarvin Weaver, when the appraisers appeared on the property.

2.

That the said Mariah Tarvin Weaver has not been served with notice of an amendment in said cause.

3.

That the said Mariah Tarvin Weaver, has not been served withnotice of the application for appointment of said appraisers.

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That the said Mariah Tarvin Weaver has not been served with notice of the appointment of said appraisers.

WHEREFORE, the said Complainant in said matter have named the said Mariah Tarvin Weaver as an heir of Jeff Tarvin, deceased, your Petitioner is entitled, as a party of record, to be served with all papers filed in said cause.

WHEREFORE, this motion.

Maria Jaruin Julcower

STATE OF ALABAMA RALDWIN COUNTY

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Before we, the undersigned authority personally appeared Mariah Tarvin Weaver, who being duly sworn deposes and says: That the foregoing facts alleged in said motion are true and correct to the best of her information, knowledge and belief.

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Sworn to and subscribed before me this $\frac{2}{2}$ day of February, 1956.

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IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE

CF JEFF TARVIN, DECEASED

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA, IN EQUITY.

Comes Frank Tarvin, Maria Tarvin Weaver, et al., heirs of Jeff Tarvin, <u>deceased by their Solicitor of Record C. Le^Noir Thompson and contest the setting</u> apart to Pearl Tarvin as the widow of Jeff Tarvin, deceased, the East half of the Southeast quarter of Section 5, Township 3 North, Range 3 East, and respectfully show unto your Honor and as a basis for said contest join in and adopt the said exceptions noted in the contest filed by Andrew Tarvin, et al.

F JUL 23 1956 ALICE 1. DUCK, Register,

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IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE) IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN OF JEFF TARVIN, Deceased.) COUNTY, IN EQUITY) No. 3204

IN THE MATTER OF THE SETTING APART OF EXEMPTIONS TO THE WIDOW

MOTION TO STRIKE EXEMPTIONS

Now comes Pearl Tarvin, the widow in the above styled cause and without waiving the right to test the sufficiency of the exemptions heretofore filed in this cause by the heirs of Jeff Tarvin, deceased, moves the court to strike the contest and strike the exceptions and grounds of contest, separately and severally, and moves the court to confirm the report of the commissioners allowing the widow the exemptions as reported, and as separate and several grounds for such motion says as follows:

1. For that the report of the commissioners was on file in this cause more than thirty (30) days before the filing of any exceptions thereto.

2. For that said contest or exceptions to the report of the commissioners was not filed within the time allowed by law.

3. For that no contest or exceptions to the report of the commissioners was filed within thirty (30) days from the filing of the commissioners' report.

4. For that no contest or exceptions to the report of the commissioners was filed within thirty (30) days from the notice to any of said heirs of the filing of said report of the commissioners.

Solicitors for Movant, Pearl Tarvin

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OF JEFF TARVIN, deceased)	IN EQUITY
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Come Jeff Tarvin and Andrew Tarvin, for and on behalf of themselves and the other heirs of Jeff Tarvin, deceased, and demurring to the petition of Pearl Tarvin heretofore filed in the above styled cause and as grounds of demurrer say:

1. That the allegations of the said petition do not show that the petitioner has a right to the relief prayed for.

2. That the allegations of the said petitioner shows on its face that the petitioner is not entitled to the relief prayed for.

3. For ought that appears from the said petition the said Jeff Tarvin did not reside on the lands described in the petition at the time of his death.

4. For it does not appear from the said petition that the lands described therein were all of the lands owned by Jeff Tarvin at the time of his death.

5. That it does not appear from the said petition that the lands described in the petition were the homestead of Jeff Tarvin at the time of his death.

Beebs & Swearingen Solicitors fot the heirs of Jeff Tarvin, deceased.

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It is agreed between the parties to this cause that the transcript in this cause shall consist of:

1. The petition of Pearl Tarvin to the Probate Court of Baldwin County for letters administration on the estate of Jeff Tarvin, deceased, dated December 8, 1953, filed December 12, 1953.

2. Order of W. R. Stuart, Judge of Probate of Baldwin County dated December 12, 1953, appointing Pearl Tarvin administratrix of the estate of Jeff Tarvin, deceased.

3. Letters Administration issued to Pearl Tarvin, December 12, 1953 on the estate of Jeff Tarvin, deceased.

4. Notice of Pearl Tarvin of her appointment as administratrix, together with the affidavit of the publisher, dated December 17, 1953.

5. Order of W. R. Stuart, Judge of Probate of Baldwin County, dated February 24, 1954 transferring the administration of the estate of Jeff Tarvin, deceased, from the Probate Court of Baldwin County to the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, in equity.

6. Petition of Pearl Tarvin dated December 31, 1953, filed February 9, 1954 to the Honorable H. M. Hall, Judge of the Circuit Court, sitting in equity, for transfer of the administration of the estate of Jeff Tarvin, deceased, from the Probate Court of Baldwin County to the Circuit Court, sitting in equity.

7. Order of Honorable H. M. Hall, Judge of the Circuit Court, dated February 9, 1954, filed February 10, 1954, ordering the transfer of the administration of the estate of Jeff Tarvin, deceased, from the Probate Court of Baldwin County to the Circuit Court, sitting in equity.

8. Petition by Pearl Tarvin, widow, to set apart exemptions to her out of estate of Jeff Tarvin, deceased, dated April 14, 1954, filed April 17, 1954. 9. Inventory of the goods and chattels of the estate of Jeff Tarvin, deceased, filed by Pearl Tarvin, administratrix, dated April 14, 1954, filed April 17, 1954.

10. Amendment by Pearl Tarvin, widow, of her petition to set aside exemptions to her out of the estate of Jeff Tarvin, deceased, dated April 14, 1955, filed April 18, 1955.

11. Amendment of Pearl Tarvin, widow, of her petition to set apart exemptions out of the estate of Jeff Tarvin, deceased, dated September 7, 1955, filed September 9, 1955.

12. Order of Honorable H. M. Hall, Judge of the Circuit Court, sitting in equity, dated January 28, 1956, filed January 28, 1956, appointing James Driesback, Mabyn Phillips and Charles Gantt commissioners and appraisers of the estate of Jeff Tarvin, deceased.

13. Report of commissioners and appraisers setting apart exemptions for the widow made by James Driesback, Charles E. Gantt and Mabyn Phillips, dated June 27, 1956 and filed June 27, 1956.

14. Contest of the report of the commissioners setting apart exemptions to Pearl Tarvin, widow, filed by Andrew Tarvin and others July 23, 1956.

15. Exceptions to the report of the commissioners filed by Frank Tarvin and others, July 23, 1956.

16. Motion to strike exceptions filed by Pearl Tarvin November 6, 1956.

17. Demurrers to contest and exceptions filed by Pearl Tarvin, December 7, 1956.

18. Abandonment of grounds of contest 1, 2 and 3 made by W. C. Beebe, Solicitor for Andrew Tarvin and others.

19. Order of the court sustaining the demurrers to contest and exceptions filed by Andrew Tarvin and others and Frank Tarvin and others, made by Honorable H. M. Hall, Judge, December 11, 1956 and filed December 12, 1956.

20. Notice of Appeal filed by Frank Tarvin and others January 4, 1957.

21. Security for cost on appeal signed by Andrew Tarvin and others filed January 4, 1957.

22. Certificate of appeal dated January 8, 1957 by Alice J. Duck, Register.

It is further agreed that all other papers in the file of said cause be ommitted from the transcript.

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Telfair J. Mashburn Solicitors for Appellees



IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE) IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF) OF JEFF TARVIN, deceased) BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA,

IN EQUITY NO. 3204.

IN THE MATTER OF THE SETTING APART OF THE EXEMPTIONS OF THE

WIDOW

MOTION TO STRIKE

Now comes the widow, Pearl Tarvin, and respectfully moves the court tostrike separately and severally exceptions numbered 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 of the exceptions to the report of the commissioners heretofore filed by the heirs of Jeff Tarvin, deceased, and assigns the following separate and several grounds of such motion as to each such numbered exception, separately and severally, viz:

1. For that said exception numbered one (1) has been heretofore waived by the exceptors.

2. For that said exception numbered one (1) has been heretofore abandoned by the exceptors.

3. For that said exception numbered one (1) has been waived and abandoned by the exceptors as will appear from the record of this case.

4. For that said exception numbered two(2) has been heretofore waived by the exceptors.

5. For that said exception numbered two (2) has been heretofore abandoned by the exceptors.

6. For that said exception numbered two(2) has been waived and abandoned by the exceptors as will appear from the record of this case.

7. For that said exception numbered three (3) has been heretofore waived by the exceptors.

8. For that said exception numbered three (3) has been heretofore abandoned by the exceptors.

LAW OFFICES J. Teny Reynolds, Jr. and William R. Lauten 187 NAT'L BANK BLDG. MOBILE, ALA. 9. For that said exception numbered three (3) has been waived and abandoned by the exceptors as will appear from the record of this case.

10. For that said exception constitutes no ground for exception to the setting apart of an exemption in lieu of homestead to the widow.

11. For that it affirmatively appears that the real property reported by the commissioners to be set apart is an exemption in lieu of homestead.

12. For that said decedent was not required to live on the real property reported by the commissioners as his homestead for the court to set such property apart to the widow as an exemption in lieu of homestead.

13. For that the alleged exceptions are not made in accordance with the law governing excepting to reports of commissioners setting apart exemptions or reporting real property to be set apart as an exemption in lieu of homestead.

14. For it affirmatively appears that the widow made no selection of the Northwest quarter of Northeast quarter of Section 27, Township 4 North, Range 3 East, or that part of the Northeast quarter of Section 29, Township 4 North, Range 3 East, lying East of the Alabama River.

15. For that it affirmatively appears that the widow had selected and did select the property reported by the commissioners to be set apart to her as her exemption in lieu of homestead.

16. For that it affirmatively appears that the widow did not part with her homestead exemption right or any exemption of homestead right merely because she may have executed a quitclaim deed to some property other than that set apart by the commissioners as her exemption in lieu of homestead.

17. For that it affirmatively appears that the widow has no homestead interest or exemption in lieu of homestead in the property that was conveyed by quitclaim deed on February 18, 1956.

18. For that it affirmatively appears that the execution of a quitclaim deed, by the widow, quitclaiming any interest which she may have, does not prevent her from claiming a homestead exemption right or an exemption in lieu of homestead out of other real property of the decedent.

LAW OFFICES J. Terry Reynolds, Jr. And William R. Lauten 164 NAT'L BANK BLDG. MOBILE, ALA. 19. For that it affirmatively appears that the decedent owned but a small fractional interest in the real property conveyed and that the interest of the widow, if any, in the property conveyed was but a small fraction of what her exemption in lieu of homestead consisted.

20. For that it affirmatively appears that the widow had no intention whatever of selecting as her homestead exemption or exemption in lieu of homestead any of the property quitclaimed to Elijah Tarvin on February 18, 1956.

21. For that it affirmatively appears that the consideration for the deed to Elijah Tarvin was less than the value of the exemption right of the widow.

22. For that it affirmatively appears that the widow had not selected as her homestead exemption or exemption in lieu of homestead any of the property conveyed by her on February 18, 1956, but that she had selected as her homestead exemption or exemption in lieu of homestead the property reported by the commissioners to be set apart to her as her homestead exemption or exemption in lieu of homestead.

23. For that it affirmatively appears that the widow is not barred from asserting her claim in the real property reported by the commissioners to be set apart to her as her exemption in lieu of homestead.

24. For that it affirmatively appears that the decedent had no property exempt to him from levy and sale.

25. For that it affirmatively appears that the property set apart by the appraisers does not exceed in area and value the limits of exemption set by the Law and Statutes of Alabama.

26. For that it affirmatively appears that the property quitclaimed on February 18, 1956, by the widow is not the same land as that reported by the commissioners to be set apart to the widow or any part thereof.

LAW OFFICES J. Terty Reynolds, Jr. And William R. Lauten 16t NAT'L BANK BLDG. MOBILE, ALA. 27. For that it affirmatively appears that the property quitclaimed by the widow on February 18, 1956, is not the same land that was heretofore selected by the widow as her homestead exemption or her exemption in lieu of homestead.

28. For that it affirmatively appears that the widow has not abandoned or waived any right to have the East half of the Southeast quarter of Section 5, Township 3 North, Range 3 East, Baldwin County, Alabama, set apart to her as her exemption in lieu of homestead.

29. For that it affirmatively appears that the widow has not abandoned or waived any right to have real property of the decedent other than the property conveyed on February 18, 1956, set apart to her as a homestead exemption or as an exemption in lieu of homestead.

30. For that it affirmatively appears that the widow has not parted with any right to claim land of the decedent other than that which may have been conveyed on February 18, 1956, as exempt to her from administration as a homestead exemption or as an exemption in lieu of homestead.

31. For that it affirmatively appears that the widow is very old and should have the exemption set apart with all due dispatch.

32. For that it affirmatively appears that the setting apart of the exemption to the widow should be no longer delayed.

33. For that it affirmatively appears that if the setting apart of the exemption to the widow be delayed she will lose her exemption entirely.

34. For that it affirmatively appears that the widow is entitled to a homestead exemption or exemption in lieu of homestead and that the setting apart of such exemption should be no longer delayed.

olicitors for Widow, Péarl Tarvin

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IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF | IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA, JEFF TARVIN, deceased | In Equity

Come Andrew Tarvin, Annie Tarvin, Lucille Tarvin, Felix Tarvin, Jeff Tarvin, Dave Tarvin, Frank Tarvin and Mariah Tarvin Weaver, the children and heirs of Jeff Tarvin, deceased, the contestants in the above styled cause, by their attorneys of record, and give notice of appeal to the Supreme Court of Alabama from the decree of the Judge of the 28th Judicial Circuit, sitting in equity, in and for Baldwin County, Alabama, entered on the lith day of December, 1956, sustaining the demurrers of Pearl Tarvin, the widow of Jeff Tarvin, deceased, petitioner, filed December 7th, 1956, to the fourth, fifth and sixth grounds of contest filed by contestants July 23, 1956, to the report of commissioners filed July 12, 1956.

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I, J. Render Thomas, Clerk of the Supreme Court of Alabama, do hereby certify that the foregoing pages, numbered from one to fine inclusive, contain a full, true and correct copy of the opinion of said-Supreme Court in the above stated cause, as the same appears and remains of record and on file in this office.

> Witness, J. Render Thomas, Clerk of the Supreme Court of Alabama, this the 23rd day of

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IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE) IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF OF JEFF TARVIN,) BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA Deceased.) IN EQUITY) NO. 3204

AMENDMENT OF PETITION BY WIDOW TO SET APART EXEMPTIONS TO THE HONORABLE HUBERT M. HALL, JUDGE OF SAID COURT SITTING IN EQUITY

Now comes Pearl Tarvin, and amends her petition heretofore filed in this case as follows:

Ey amending paragraph <u>ONE</u> thereof so that the same shall read as follows:

ONE

That she is over the age of 21 years, a bona fide resident of Mobile County, ^Alabama, and is the widow of Jeff Tarvin, now deceased; that said Jeff Tarvin died intestate on, to-wit, the 16th day of December, 1945, that at the time of his death he was a resident of Baldwin County, Alabama; that he left surviving him no minor children; that the administration of his estate is now pending in this Court and your petitioner is administratrix of this estate having been appointed the same by the Probate Court of this County on December 12, 1953.

By amending paragraph <u>TWO</u> so that number 7 of the heirs named therein shall read as follows:

7. Annie Tarvin Stallings, daughter, whose address is Detroit, Michigan.

And by amending paragraph <u>TWO</u> thereof so that number ll in said paragraph shall read as follows:

11. Willie Mae Haywood, also known as Willie Mae Hayworth, granddaughter, being the daughter of decedent's deceased son, whose address is Youngstown, Ohio.

By adding numbers 15, 16, and 17 of said paragraph <u>TWO</u> as follows:

15. Fannie Mae Oliver, whose address is Youngstown, Ohio.
16. Tommie Lee Cannon, whose address is Youngstown, Ohio.
17. Annette Tarvin, whose address is someplace in Mississippi

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By amending paragraph <u>EIGHT</u> thereof so that the same shall read as follows:

EIGHT

Your petitioner selects the following described real property to be set apart to your petitioner as exempt under the laws of the State of Alabama:

> East half of Southeast Quarter of Section 5, Northwest Quarter of Southwest Quarter and West half of Northeast Quarter of Southwest Quarter of Section 9, all in Township 3, North of Range 3 East, containing 150.90 acres, more or less.

That the above described real estate is in value less than TWO THOUSAND AND NO/100 (\$2,000.00) DOLLARS and in area less than One Hundred Sixty (160) acres.

By amending the <u>PRAYER FOR RELIEF</u> by changing the amount of the purchase money to be paid to your petitioner as her exemption in lieu of homestead from the first SIX THOUSAND AND NO/100 (\$6,000.00) DOLLARS to the first TWO THOUSAND AND NO/100 (\$2,000.00) DOLLARS.

STATE OF ALABAMA

COUNTY OF MOBILE

Before me the undersigned authority in and for said County in said State, personally appeared William R. Lauten, who, being known to me, and having been by me first duly sworn, deposes and says that he is one of the solicitors of record for the petitioner, and that he is informed and believes and upon such information and belief alleges that the facts contained in the foregoing amendment to the petition are true and correct.

Affiant

Attorney for

Petitioner

Subscribed and sworn to before me this / 44 day of April, 1955.

Notary Public, Mobile County, Alabama

LAW OFFICES J. TETTY REYNOLDS, JT. 1ST NAT'L BANK BLDG. MOBILE, ALA.



JEFF TARVIN, deceased

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA In Equity

The contestants having taken an appeal and given notice thereof from the decree of the Judge of the 28th Judicial Circuit, sitting in equity, in the above styled cause rendered on the 11th day of December, 1956, sustaining the demurrers of Pearl Tarvin, the widow of Jeff Tarvin, deceased, petitioner, filed December 7, 1956 to the fourth, fifth and sixth grounds of contest filed by the contestants July 23, 1956 to the report of the commissioners, filed July 12, 1956, we, the undersigned Andrew Tarvin, Andrew Tarvin, 🖿, Félix Tarvin, Jeff -Tarvin, Dave Tarvin, Erent wer, as prinin and cipal, and ___ and as surety, acknowledge themselves surety for

all costs in the said appeal in the penal sum of One Hundred (\$100.00) Dollars, as to which we hereby waive our right of exemption to personal property under the Constitution and laws of the State of Alabama, this $\underline{\mathscr{H}}$ day of $\underline{\mathscr{M}}$

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IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JEFF TARVIN, Deceased.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA IN BOULTY NC. 3204

TO THE MONORABLE HUBERT 2. HALL, JUDGE OF SAID COURT SETTING IN EQUITY.

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Come your Fetitioners, Maria Tarvin Weaven and Frank Tarvin with leave first had from this Honorable Court and move this Honorable Court to strike from that certain petition to set aside exemptions filed by Pearl Tarvin in the above styled cause before this Honorable Court, the following described property and as cause for said motion show unto this Honorable Court as follows:

1.

That a certain parcel of the said property described in said petition is not the property of the said Jeff Tarvin, deceased or was it ever the property of Jeff Tarvin, deceased, as alleged by the said Pearl Tarvin.

That the said allegations are false and are a fraud on the descendants of Cornelia Jones.

3.

2.

That the said property was never the property of Jeff Tarvin, deceased.

4.

That the said property was the property of Cornelia Jones during her life time and descended to the petitioners and to four other children of Cornelia Jones, brothers and sisters of your Petitioners.

5.

That said property of Cornelia Jones, deceased, is more particularly described as the Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 9, Tomship 3 Konth, Bonga 3 22st, containing approximately ho acres and

situate in Baldwin County, Alabama.

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Personally appeared before me, Wilson Haves, Notary Public in and for said State and County, C. LeNoir Anompson, who being duly sworn says on eath that he is the attorney of record for Maria Tarvin Weaver and Frank Tarvin, Plaintiff in the above styled cause, and further states that to the best of the affidant's information, knowledge and belief the foregoing facts are true and correct.

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Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 307 day of June, 1951.



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IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE IN THE C OF JEFF TARVIN, DECEASED

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA, IN EQUITY

Come, Andrew Tarvin, Annie Tarvin, Lucille Tarvin, Felix Tarvin Jeff Tarvin, Dave Tarvin and Joe Tarvin, the children and heirs of Jeff Tarvin, deceased, and contest the setting apart to Pearl Tarvin as the widow of Jeff Tarvin, deceased, the East half of the Southeast quarter of Section 5, Township 3 North, Range 3 East, and respectfully show unto your Honor:

 \times 1. That the said lands so set apart were not the homestead of the said Jeff Tarvin at the time of his death.

* 2. That at the time of his death the said Jeff Tarvin did not reside on the said land or any part thereof or on any land described in the petition in this cause and described in the report of the commissioners in this cause, and this court is without jurisdiction to set apart the said lands or any lands to the said Pearl Tarvin, the widow of Jeff Tarvin, as exempt to her from the administration and payment of debts.

x 3. That the said lands set apart to her in the report of the commissioners, namely the East half of the Southeast quarter of Section 5, Township 3 North, Range 3 East was at the time of the death of the said Jeff Tarvin of greater value than \$2,000.00.

4. That the said Fearl Tarvin exercising her right of selection of the lands to be set aside to her as exempt from the administration and payment of debts did heretofore on February 18, 1956 select the Northwest quarter of the Northeast quarter of Section 27, Township 4 North, Range 3 East, and that portion of the Northeast quarter of Section 29, Township 4 North, Range 3 East, lying East of Alabama River, and is therein and thereby barred from asserting any claim to homestead rights to any other lands of the said Jeff Tarvin.

5. That the said Pearl Tarvin exercising her right of selection of the lands to be set aside to her as exempt from the administration and payment of debts did on February 18, 1956, select the above described land and the said Pearl Tarvin sold and conveyed the said lands namely the Northwest guarter of the Northwest guarter of Section 27,

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Township 4 North, Range 3 East and that part of the Northeast quarter of Section 29, Township 4 North, Range 3 East, lying East of Alabama River, to Elijah Tarvin and thereupon and thereby she abandoned and waived any and all right to have the East half of the Southeast quarter of Section 5, Township 3 North, Range 3 East and as well any other lands of the said Jeff Tarvin, deceased, set aside to her as exempt from administration and payment of debts.

6. That the said Pearl Tarvin exercising her right of selection of the lands to be set aside to her as exempt from administration and payment of debts did heretofore on February 18, 1956 select the Northwest quarter of Northeast quarter of Section 27, Township 4 North, Range 3 East, and that part of the Northeast quarter of Section 29, Township 4 Section, Range 3 East, lying East of Alabama River and sold and conveyed the said lands to Elijah Tarvin and therein and thereby parted with any and all rights under the Laws of the State of Alabama to claim land of Jeff Tarvin as exempt to her from administration and payment of debts.

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IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE) IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN OF JEFF TARVIN, Deceased.) COUNTY, IN EQUITY) No. 3204

IN THE MATTER OF THE SETTING APART OF EXEMPTIONS TO THE WIDOW

MOTION TO TEST SUFFICIENCY OF CONTEST OF EXEMPTIONS

Now comes Pearl Tarvin, the widow in the above entitled cause, and, desiring to test the sufficiency of the exceptions or reasons separately and severally, contesting the exemptions, which exemptions were heretofore filed by the heirs of Jeff Tarvin, deceased, respectfully moves the court to set said exceptions or reasons down to test the sufficiency thereof, and says that said exceptions, separately and severally are insufficient on the following and several grounds:

1. For that said reason constitutes no ground for contesting the setting apart of a homestead exemption or exemption in lieu of homestead to the widow.

2. For that it affirmatively appears that the real property set apart in the report of the commissioners is an exemption in lieu of homestead.

3. For that it affirmatively appears that the decedent was not required to live on the real property reported by the commissioners as his homestead in order for the court to set said property apart to the widow as an exemption in lieu of homestead.

4. For that it affirmatively appears that the alleged contest is not made in accordance with the law governing contests of reports of commissioners setting apart exemptions.

5. For that it affirmatively appears that the widow made no selection of the Northwest quarter of Northeast quarter of Section 27, Township 4 North, Range 3 East, or of that part of the Northeast quarter of Section 29, Township 4 South, Range 3 East, lying East of the Alabama River.

6. For that it affirmatively appears that the widow selected the property reported by the commissioners to be set apart to her as her exemption in lieu of homestead.

LAW OFFICES J. TEITY REYNOLDS, JT. IST NAT'L BANK BLDG. MOBILE, ALA. 7. For that it affirmatively appears that the widow's interest in the property in Sections 27 and 29 was only a dower interest.

8. For that it affirmatively appears that the widow's interest in the property in Sections 27 and 29, Township 4 South, Range 3 East, consisted of her dower right in said property.

9. For that it affirmatively appears that the widow's dower right in the real property of the decedent is separate and distinct from any right she may have as a homestead or as an exemption in lieu of homestead in the real property reported by the commissioners to be set apart to her as an exemption in lieu of homestead.

10. For that it affirmatively appears that the widow had no interest in the property conveyed on February 18, 1956, other than a dower interest.

ll. For that it affirmatively appears that the conveyance of the widow's dower interest of certain property of the decedent does not prevent her from claiming an exemption in lieu of homestead out of other real property of the decedent.

12. For that it affirmatively appears that the widow had not selected as her homestead exemption or exemption in lieu of homestead the property conveyed by her on February 18, 1956, but that she had selected as her homestead exemption or exemption in lieu of homestead the property reported by the commissioners to be set apart to her as her homestead exemption or exemption in lieu of homestead.

13. For that it affirmatively appears that the widow is not barred from asserting her claim in the real property reported by the commissioners to be set apart to her as her exemption in lieu of homestead.

14. For that it affirmatively appears that the decedent had no-

15. For that it affirmatively appears that the property set apart by the appraisers does not exceed in area and value the limits of exemption set by the law and statutes of Alabama.

16. For that it affirmatively appears that the land, the interest of the widow in which was conveyed on February 18, 1956, is not the same land as

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17. For that it affirmatively appears that the widow has not abandoned or waived any right to have the East half of the Southeast quarter of Section 5, Township 3 North, Range 3 East, set apart to her as her homestead exemption or as exemption in lieu of homestead.

18. For that it affirmatively appears that the widow has not abandoned or waived any right to have real property of the decedent other than the property conveyed on February 18, 1956, set apart to her as a homestead exemption or as an exemption in lieu of homestead.

19. For that it affirmatively appears that the widow has not parted with any right to claim land of the decedent other than that which may have been conveyed on February 18, 1956, as exempt to her from administration as a homestead exemption or as an exemption in lieu of homestead.

Solicitors for Movant, Pearl Tarvin

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EX PARTE PEARL TARVIN, as Administratrix of the Estate of JEFF TARVIN, deceased

) IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF) BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA) NO.

ORDER

This day came Pearl Tarvin, as Administratrix of the Estate of Jeff Tarvin, deceased, and filed her petition in this Court alleging that she is the Administratrix of the Estate of Jeff Tarvin, deceased, having been appointed the same by the Probate Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, on December 12, 1953, and that the said Estate is pending in the Probate Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, and that the said Estate can be better administered in the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, in Equity, than in the Probate Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, in Equity, than in the Probate Court of Baldwin County, Alabama; it is, therefore, CONSIDERED,

ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the said Estate be transferred from the Probate Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, to the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, in Equity, and that all the papers, containing the original file, and all proceedings had in the Probate Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, together with all documents relating to the administration of the Estate of Jeff Tarvin, deceased, be removed and delivered to the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, in Equity.

DONE and ORDERED this the 9th day of December, 1953

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ESTATE OF JEFF TARVIN,)	IN THE PROBATE COURT OF
Deceased.)	BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA
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IN THE MATTER OF THE REMOVAL TO THE CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY.

The Judge of the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, Honorable Hubert M. Hall, having granted the petition for the transfer or removal of the Estate of Jeff Tarvin, deceased, to the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, in Equity, as shown by decree dated the _______ day of December, 1953, a copy of said decree being this day filed and recorded in this cause; it is, THEREFORE,

ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED, and it is the judgment of this Court, that the original file of all proceedings had in the Probate Court, together with all papers and documents, relating to the administration of the Estate of Jeff Tarvin, deceased, be and the same are hereby delivered to the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, in Equity, in obedience to said decree rendered by the said Judge of the Circuit Court.

DONE this the _____ day of December, 1953.

Judge of Probate

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IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE	IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF
OF JEFF TARVIN,	RALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA
Deceased.	į iv Equi t y.
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TO THE HONORABLE H. M. HALL, JUDGE OF SAID COURT, IN EQUITY, SITTING: <u>Comes Frank Tarvin, heir of Jeff Tarvin, deceased, and Respondent in</u> the said cause now pending before this Honorable Court, and moves this Honorable Court to set aside the appointment of appraisers heretofore made by this Honorable Court and-or any report made by said appraisers in the above styled cause and as grounds for said motion shows follows:

1.

That the said Frank Tarvin has not been served with any papers filed in connection with an order of this Honorable Court concerning the appoint ment of appraisers in said matter or of notice of a petition for said appraisal and that said notice is material. That the first knowledge of said appraisal given to your Petitioner, Frank Tarvin, when the appraisers

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That the said Frank Tarvin has not been served with notice of an amendment in said cause.

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That the said Frank Tarvin, has not been served with notice of the application for appointment of said appraisers.

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That the said Frank Tarvin has not been served with notice of the appointment of said appraisers.

MHEREFORE, the said Complainant in said matter have named the said Frank Tarvin as an heir of Jeff Tarvin, deceased, your Petitioner is entitled, as a party of record, to be served with all papers filed in said cause. WHEREFORE, this motion.

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STATE OF ALABAMA BALDWIN COUNTY

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Before me, the undersigned authority personally appeared Frank Tarvin, who being duly sworn deposes and says: That the foregoing facts alleged in said motion are true and correct to the best of his information, knowledge and belief.

Frank Jarm Sworn to and subscribed before me this 25 day of February, 1956. Ampon 1 2 Public, Baldwin County, Alabama.

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JEFF TARVIN, deceased.) IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF) BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA

NO. 3204

) IN EQUITY

IN THE MATTER OF THE EXEMPTIONS TO THE WIDOW

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TO JAMES DRIESBACH MAYBIN PHILLIPS CHARLES GANTT COMMISSIONERS AND APPRAISERS OF THE ESTATE OF JEFF TARVIN, deceased:

You are hereby commissioned and directed to set apart and allow to Pearl Tarvin, the widow of Jeff Tarvin, deceased, the personal property exempt to her by law, as follows, to-wit: All the wearing apparel of the decedent and of Pearl Tarvin, the widow; all yarn and cloth on hand intended for their use and consumption; all books kept and used in the family; and all family portraits and pictures; all grain, stores and groceries on hand necessary for the support of the family for twelve months after the decedent's death, and all bedding, household and kitchen furniture necessary for the use and comfort of the said Pearl Tarvin, to be selected by her and in addition thereto, ONE THOUSAND AND NO/100 (\$1,000.00) DOLLARS in value of personal property of said estate, allowing the said Pearl Tarvin, the widow, to select the same, having due regard to her selection heretofore made in her petition, as amended, on file in this case.

You will also appraise the homestead of the said decedent occupied by him at the time of his death, or to which he was then entitled, with a full and accurate description of the same, and if it is a part of a tract of land exceeding in area one hundred sixty (160) acres, you will also report that fact.

AND WHEREAS, heretofore a petition was filed in this Court by Pearl Tarvin, setting forth therein among other things that she is the widow of Jeff Tarvin, deceased, late a resident of Baldwin County, Alabama, and that said decedent departed this life intestate, leaving surviving him Pearl Tarvin, the widow, and no minor children; and alleging further that at the time of his death said decedent had no homestead exempt to him from levy and sale under process, and that on the 12 day of December, 1953, letters of administration were granted to Pearl Tarvin; that more than twenty (20) days have elapsed since the appointment of said administratrix, and that the administration of said estate is now pending in this Court and that no exemptions have been set apart to her in lieu of such homestead as provided by law; but that he owned and possessed in his own right or had an interest in the following described real estate,

situate, lying and being in Baldwin County, Alabama, to-wit:

East Half of Southeast Quarter of Section 5; Northwest Quarter of Southwest Quarter; West Half of Northeast Quarter of Southwest Quarter of Section 9, all in Township 3 North, Range 3 East, containing 150.90 acres, more or less.

North Half of Northeast Quarter of Northeast Quarter of Section 8, Township 3 North, Range 3 East, containing twenty acres, more or less.

North Half of Northwest Quarter of Northeast Quarter of Section 8, Township 3 North, Range 3 East, containing 40 acres, more or less.

Northwest Quarter of Northeast Quarter of Section 27, Township 4 North, Range 3 East, containing 40 acres, more or less.

All the Northeast Quarter of Section 29, Township 4 North, Range 3 East, lying East of the Alabama River, containing sixty acres, more or less.

You are therefore appointed commissioners to set off and allow by metes and bounds as exempt to said widow in lieu of homestead, so much of the property above described as with the improvements and appurtenances will not exceed in value TWO THOUSAND AND NO/100 (\$2,000.00) DOLLARS and in area one hundred sixty (160) acres, having due regard to the selection

of said real property heretofore made by the widow in her petition, as amended, on file in this case. And you will make your report of the exemptions so set off and allowed by you to this Court in writing within ten (10) days from the date of this writ.

DONE AND ORDERED this \mathcal{W} day of January, 1956.

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IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE) IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN
OF) COUNTY, ALABAMA
JEFF TARVIN, DECEASED.) IN EQUITY
) NO. 3204
AMENDMENT OF PETITION BY WII	OW TO SET APART EXEMPTIONS

TO THE HONORABLE HUBERT M. HALL, JUDGE OF SAID COURT SITTING

IN EQUITY

Now comes Pearl Tarvin, Petitioner, and amends her petition as amended, heretofore filed in this cause as follows:

 By amending paragraph six thereof so that the same shall read as follows:

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Your Petitioner further shows that there has not been set apart to your Petitioner and she has not received the personal property exemptions to which she is entitled under the laws of the State of Alabama; that Jeff Tarvin, deceased, at the time of his death, had no homestead exempt to him from levy and sale under process; that your Petitioner has not obtained the benefits of an exemption under Section 654, Title 7, 1940 Code of Alabama; that there has not been set apart to your Petitioner and she has not received a homestead exemption to which she is entitled under the laws of the State of Alabama; that she has not received an exemption in lieu of homestead to which she is entitled under Section 662, Title 7, 1940 Code of Alabama; and that no homestead has been carved out of any real estate owned by Jeff Tarvin or in which he had an interest at the time of his death.

2. By amending the prayer of said petition so that the same shall read as follows:

THE PREMISES CONSIDERED, your Petitioner prays

(1) that Your Honor will appoint appraisers of the Estate of Jeff Tarvin, deceased, as provided by law, and issue to them a commission to appraise the real property of Jeff Tarvin, deceased, which he owned or had an interest in at the time of his death, and to appraise the above described real property which has been selected by your Petitioner in paragraph eight, as amended, and direct them to carve out of the real estate of Jeff Tarvin, deceased, by metes and bounds, a homestead for your Petitioner, which shall be in value not more than TWO THOUSAND AND NO/100 (\$2,000.00) DOLLARS and in area not more than one hundred sixty (160) acres, and to set apart to

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your Petitioner a life interest in such homestead, and if such appraisers find that Jeff Tarvin owned no real estate out of which a homestead exemption can be carved and had no homestead exempt to him from levy and sale under process and that your Petitioner has not obtained the benefits of an exemption under Section 654, Title 7, 1940 Code of Alabama, your Petitioner prays that the real estate heretofore selected by your Petitioner be sold and that TWO THOUSAND AND NO/100 (\$2,000.00) DOLLARS of the purchase money applied in the purchase of a homestead for the benefit of your Petitioner as an exemption to her in lieu of homestead as provided by Section 662, Title 7, 1940 Code of Alabama.

(2) That Your Honor will appoint appraisers to appraise and set apart to your Petitioner as exempt the above described personal property heretofore selected by your Petitioner in paragraph seven or its equivalent in monetary value to the extent of ONE THOUSAND AND NO/100 (\$1,000.00) DOLLARS in cash.

(3) That Your Honor will direct such appraisers as may be appointed by this Court to report the appraisement and allotment of exemptions to this Honorable Court.

(4) That Your Honor will appoint an administrator ad litem to represent the Estate of Jeff Tarvin, deceased, in this proceeding and will appoint a guardian ad litem to represent the unknown heirs of such decedent.

(5) That Your Honor will cause notice to be issued, directed to the heirs named herein, and to every other such person who may have an interest in such proceeding, advising them of this proceeding and requiring them to appear and show cause, if any they may have, why said real property selected should not be set apart to your Petitioner for life or why such real estate selected shall not be sold and TWO THOUSAND AND NO/100 (\$2,000.00) DOLLARS OF the purchase money applied toward the purchase of a homestead for the benefit of your Petitioner and why said personal property selected or its equivalent in value to the extent of ONE THOUSAND AND NO/100 (\$1,000.00) DOLLARS should not be set apart to your Petitioner.

(6) That when said report has been filed by the appraisers so appointed, Your Honor will set a day for the hearing of such report and will cause to be published in the Baldwin Times, a newspaper published in Baldwin County, Alabama, once a week for three (3) consecutive weeks publication giving notice of the filing of the report of said appraisers and of the day set for the hearing of said report.

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(7) That upon a hearing of the report of the appraisers that Your Honor will allow to your Petitioner the personal and real estate exemptions to your Petitioner as prayed for.

And if your Petitioner be mistaken in the relief prayed for, that she be granted such other, further and different relief to which she may be equitably entitled to receive.

STATE OF ALABAMA COUNTY OF MOBILE

Personally appeared before me, the undersigned authority in and for said County in said State, Pearl Tarvin, who being known to me and being by me first duly sworn, deposes and says that she is informed and believes and upon such information and belief alleges that the allegations made in the above and foregoing petition, as last amended, are true and correct.

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Sworn to and subscribed before me

this 7th day of September, 1955.

Notary Public, Mobile County, Alabama

J. Terry Reynolds, William R. Lauten, and Telfair J. Mashburn, Jr.

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)	BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA
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IN THE MATTER OF THE WIDOW'S EXEMPTIONS

Pearl Tarvin, as administratrix of the Estate of Jeff Tarvin, deceased, having this day filed in this Court her petition in . writing duly verified by oath, claiming an exemption out of the real estate owned by said decedent, in favor of said Pearl Tarvin, as the widow, and whereas said petition alleged that there were no minor children of said decedent and set forth all of the facts authorizing said exemption; describing the real estate out of which the exemption is claimed, stating a selection of such real estate, which selection is in area less than 160 acres and in value less than \$6,000.00; and praying that commissioners may be appointed to set apart such exemption out of said real estate; and which said petition set forth all the facts authorizing an exemption of personal property to said widow, describing said personal property out of which the exemption is claimed, and selecting certain personal property of the value of \$1,000.00 and certain other personal property more particularly described as all bedding, household and kitchen furniture located in Blacksher, Baldwin County, Alabama;

IT IS ORDERED that <u>Much Nean</u>, <u>...</u> <u>WMished</u> and <u>Peter B MCmmelc</u> who are disinterested householders or free holders of this County be and they are hereby appointed commissioners whose duty it shall be, as soon as practicable, not exceeding thirty days, after being sworn faithfully to perform the duties for which they are appointed, to appraise and to set off and allot by metes and bounds, out of the real estate owned by said decedent at the time of his death, a homestead exemption not exceeding in value \$6,000.00 and in area 160 acres in favor of said widow, Pearl Tarvin, having due regard to the selection from said real estate owned by the decedent at the time of his death, which selection is described in said petities tion of the widow; and to appraise the personal property coming

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into the knowledge of the Appraisers, and to set apart to the widow, Pearl Tarvin, having due regard to a selection made by her in her petition, personal property of the value of \$1,000.00, and other personal property described as all bedding, household and kitchen furniture located in Blacksher, Baldwin County, Alabama; and within ten days thereafter to make a written report to this Court of the exemption of such real estate and of such personal property so set off and allotted by the Appraisers and of their appraisement thereof and if such real property set apart to the widow as her homestead exemption constitutes all of the property owned by the decedent at the time of his death, said commissioners will state that fact in their said report to this Court.

Hubert M Itall Circuit Judge

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NO. 3204

THE STATE OF ALABAMA-JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT

THE SUPREME COURT OF ALABAMA

October Term, 19 56-57

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	THE SUPREME COURT OF ALABAMA		
	October Term, 19.56-57		
	<u>lst</u> Div., No. 712		
	ANDREW TARVIN, ET AL.,		
	Appellant, S		
	v. PEARL TARVIN,		
	Appellee. From Baldwin Circuit Court.		
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IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JEFF TARVIN, Deceased.

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- ) IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF
- ) BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA,
- ) IN EQUITY,
- ) NO. 3204

REPORT OF COMMISSIONERS AND APPRAISERS SETTING APART EXEMPTIONS TO THE WIDOW

We, the undersigned, James Driesbach, Maybin Fhillips, and Charles Gantt, Commissioners and Appraisers heretofore appointed by this Honorable Court to make a full and complete inventory and appraisement of the real and personal property owned by Jeff Tarvin at the time of his death, and to set off and allow by metes and bounds as exempt to Pearl Tarvin, the widow of Jeff Tarvin, in lieu of homestead, so much of the real property as, with the improvements and appurtenances, will not exceed in value \$2,000.00 and in area one hundred sixty acres, having due regard to the selection of such real property made by the said Pearl Tarvin, the widow of Jeff Tarvin, deceased, and the personal property which is exempt to her by law, now report unto the Court as follows:

The following is an inventory of all the real property owned by Jeff Tarvin at the time of his death, or in which he had an interest at the time of his death, and the value of such real property is set beside each parcel:

> East half of Southeast Quarter of Section 5; Northwest Quarter of Southwest Quarter; West half of Northeast Quarter of Southwest Quarter of Section 9, all in Township 3 North, Range 3 East, Baldwin County, Alabama, containing 150.90 acres, more or less------\$3,772.50

Northwest Quarter of Northeast Quarter of Section 27, Township 4 North, Range 3 East, Baldwin County, Alabama, containing 40 acres, more or less-----VALUE---- 1,000.00

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All the Northeast Quarter of Section 29, Township 4 North, Range 3 East, lying East of the Alabama River, Baldwin County, Alabama, containing 60 acres, more or less-----VALUE---\$1,500.00

The following is an inventory of all the personal property of Jeff Tarvin, deceased, at the time of his death, and the value of such personal property is set beside each item thereof;

- 1. Money in a savings account, No. 106649, in the First National Bank of Mobile, Mobile, Alabama, in the amount of------\$ 134.70
- 2. Money in a savings account, No. 955, in the First National Bank of Atmore, Atmore, Alabama, in the amount of----- 139.08
- 3. All the wearing apparel of Jeff Tarvin and of Pearl Tarvin, the widow; all yarn and cloth on hand intended for their use and consumption; all books kept and used in the family; all family portraits and pictures; all grain, stores and groceries on hand necessary for the support of the family for twelve months after the death of Jeff Tarvin, deceased; all bedding, household and kitchen furniture of the total value of------ 5.00

The above is all the real and personal property owned by Jeff Tarvin, deceased, or in which he had an interest at the time of his death, so far as we have been able to determine.

We further report to the court that we have and do hereby set apart and allow to Pearl Tarvin, the widow of Jeff Tarvin, deceased, all the personal property above described.

We further report to the Court that we have and do hereby set apart and allow to Pearl Tarvin, the widow of Jeff Tarvin, deceased, the following described real property as exempt to her in lieu of homestead;

> East half of Southeast Quarter of Section 5, Township 3 North, Range 3 East, Baldwin County, Alabama, containing 80 acres, more or less

In witness whereof, we have hereunto set our hands this

27 day of the And the second \_, 1956.

As Commissioner and Appraiser Charles Z. Lauth As Commissioner and Appraiser

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As Commissioner and Appraiser

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## STATE OF ALABAMA COUNTY OF MOBILE

Before me, the undersigned authority, in and for said County in said State, personally appeared James Driesbach, Maybin Phillips and Charles Gantt, who, being by me first duly sworn, depose and say that they are informed and believe and upon such information and belief state that the above and foregoing appraisel and report to the Court setting apart the exemptions to Pearl Tarvin, the widow of Jeff Tarvin, deceased, is true and correct.

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Sworn to and subscribed before me this 27th day of Aure, 1956.

# Notary Public, Baldwin County, Alabama

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IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE ) IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF
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) BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA,
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JEFF TARVIN, Deceased.
) IN EQUITY, NO. 3204.

### FINAL DECREE ON CONSENT SETTLEMENT

This day came Pearl Tarvin, individually and as the widow of Jeff Tarvin, deceased, and as the Administratrix of the estate of Jeff Tarvin, deceased, and all the distributees, heirs at law and next of kin of Jeff Tarvin. deceased, by and through the attorneys for said heirs at law and next of kin of Jeff Tarvin, deceased, W. C. Beebe and C. LeNoir Thompson, and presenting to this Court their written petition, duly verified, for a final consent settlement of said decedent's estate, alleging therein, among other things, that more than six (6) months have elapsed since Pearl Tarvin was appointed as Administratrix of the estate of Jeff Tarvin, deceased, and that no claims have been made against said estate, and that all matters pertaining to the distribution and administration of said estate have been fully settled between and among said Pearl Tarvin, the widow and as Administratrix of the estate of Jeff Tarvin, deceased, and the distributees, next of kin and heirs at law of Jeff Tarvin, deceased, subject to the payment of court costs, and the court costs now being fully paid by the heirs at law and next of kin of said Jeff Tarvin, deceased, and that the Petitioner, Pearl Tarvin, is the widow of Jeff Tarvin, deceased, and that she is over the age of twenty-one (21) years, and that the other Petitioners are all over the age of twenty-one (21) years, and are the only heirs at law and next of kin of said decedent and acknowledge that they have received all that they are entitled to receive from the estate of Jeff Tarvin, deceased. The Petitioners pray that said petition be taken and allowed as the consent and final settlement of said estate and that said Administratrix and the surety on her bond as such Administratrix go hence and be relieved from all further liability; and

It being duly proven to the satisfaction of the Court that the said Pearl Tarvin is the widow of said Jeff Tarvin, deceased, and that she is over the age of twenty-one (21) years, and that Andrew Tarvin, Jeff Tarvin, Dave Tarvin, Joe Tarvin, Felex Tarvin, Anette Tarvin, J. W. Tarvin, John Lee Tarvin, Minnie Robbins, Melvina Wearns, Maria Tarvin, Jelious Tarvin, Robertta Tarvin, Ella Read Tarvin, Patricia Tarvin, Coreen Tarvin, Hellen Tarvin, Jeff Tarvin, Nr., Jerry Tarvin, Betty Lue Tarvin, Daniel Tarvin, Lebarron Tarvin, Elijah Tarvin, Annie Stalling, Lucille Davis, Frank Tarvin, Willie Mae Haywood, Fannie Mae Oliver, Tommy Lee Cannor, Mariah Weaver, Sylvia Sanders, Willis Weaver, Jr., Alberta Weaver, Charles Weaver, Raymond Weaver and Hellon Stalling are the only heirs at law and next of kin of Jeff Tarvin, deceased, and that they are each over the age of twentyone (21) years; that all of said heirs at law and next of kin are represented by W. C. Beebe and C. LeNoir Thompson, as their attorneys, and that said attorneys have the authority to act in behalf of said heirs at law and next of kin in all matters and things pertaining to this proceeding; that the notice of this hearing has been waived by the said heirs at law and next of kin and by the widow; that Pearl Tarvin, as the widow of Jeff Tarvin, deceased, has acknowledged that she has received the full share of said decedent's estate, to which she would be entitled under the Exemption Laws of the State of Alabama, and that the other heirs at law have received their full distributive share of said decedent's estate; that the facts alleged in said petition are true and that all legal charges against said estate have been paid in full, including the costs of court, and that there have been no claims filed against the estate, the Court is of the opinion that the petition and the prayer thereof should be granted and that the said Pearl Tarvin, as Administratrix of the estate of Jeff Tarvin, deceased, and the surety on her bond as such Administratrix should be discharged from all further liability;

It is ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED by the Court that the said petition and the prayer thereof be, and the same are hereby, approved, passed and allowed as a consent, final settlement of said estate and that the said Pearl Tarvin, as Administratrix of the estate of Jeff Tarvin, deceased, and the surety on her bond as such Administratrix go hence and be relieved

of all further duty and liability.

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Jobert M Hace\_\_\_\_\_\_ CIRCUIT JUDGE

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JEFF TARVIN, Deceased Probate Court Letters of Administration upon the Estate of said deceased having been granifed to the undersigned on the 12th day of December, 1953, by the Hon W. R. Stuart, Judge of the Probate Court of Baldwin County, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to pre-sent the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred. PEARL TARVIN Administratrix of said estate. W. R. Lauten '& J. Terry Reynolds, Jr. Attorney for Administratrix. 48-3tc.

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NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT ESTATE OF. JEFF TARVIN, Deceased

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## JEFF TARVIN, Deceased,

## IN THE PROBATE COURT OF

ESTATE OF.

## BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA.

And now comes Alice J. Duck, as Register of Circuit Court, in Equity, and files in this Court a certified copy of a Decree made and entered in the premises in the said Circuit Court, in Equity, which said Decree orders that the Estate of Jeff Tarvin, deceased, be transferred to the said Circuit Court, in Equity;

WHEREUPON, It is, therefore, ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREFD by the Court that the said Estate of Jeff Tarvin, Deceased, being Probate File Number 3291, be, and it hereby is, in its entirety, transferred to the said Circuit Court, in Equity.

Witness by hand this the 24th day of February 1954.

Judge of Probate.

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IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE ) IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN OF JEFF TARWN Deceased. ) COUNTY, IN EQUITY ) No. 3204

IN THE MATTER OF THE SETTING APART OF EXEMPTIONS TO THE WIDDW DEMURRER

Now comes Pearl Tarvin, the widow in the above matter and demurs to the alleged contest and to each of said reasons therefor, separately and severally, numbered 1, 2, 4, 5 and 6, and as separate and several grounds of such demurrer, sets down and assigns the following:

1. For that said reason constitutes no ground for contesting the setting apart of a homestead exemption or exemption in lieu of homestead to the widow.

2. For that it affirmatively appears that the real property set apart in the report of the commissioners is an exemption in lieu of homestead.

3. For that it affirmatively appears that the decedent was not required to live on the real property reported by the commissioners as his homestead in order for the court to set said property apart to the widow as an exemption in lieu of homestead.

4. For that it affirmatively appears that the alleged contest is not made in accordance with the law governing contests of reports of commissioners setting apart exemptions.

5. For that it affirmatively appears that the widow made no selection of the Northwest quarter of Northeast quarter of Section 27, Township 4 North, Range 3 East, or of that part of the Northeast quarter of Section 29, Township 4 South, Range 3 East, lying East of the Alabama River.

6. For that it affirmatively appears that the widow selected the property reported by the commissioners to be set apart to her as her exemption in lieu of homestead.

7. For that it affirmatively appears that the widow's interest in the property in Sections 27 and 29 was only a dower interest.

8. For that it affirmatively appears that the widow's interest in the property in Sections 27 and 29, Township 4South, Range 3 East, consisted

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9. For that it affirmatively appears that the widow's dower right in the real property of the decedent is separate and distinct from any right she may have as a homestead or as an exemption in lieu of homestead in the real property reported by the commissioners to be set apart to her as an exemption in lieu of homestead.

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10. For that it affirmatively appears that the widow had no interest in the property conveyed on February 18, 1956, other than a dower interest.

II. For that it affirmatively appears that the conveyance of the widow's dower interest of certain property of the decedent does not prevent her from claiming an exemption in lieu of homestead out of other real property of the decedent.

12. For that it affirmatively appears that the widow had not selected as her homestead exemption or exemption in lieu of homestead the property conveyed by her on February 18, 1956, but that she had selected as her homestead exemption or exemption in lieu of homestead the property reported by the commissioners to be set apart to her as her homestead exemption or exemption in lieu of homestead.

13. For that it affirmatively appears that the widow is not barred from asserting her claim in the real property reported by the commissioners to be set apart to her as her exemption in lieu of homestead.

14. For that it affirmatively appears that the decedent had no property exempt to him from levy and sale.

15. For that it affirmatively appears that the property set apart by the appraisers does not exceed in area and value the limits of exemption set by the law and statutes of Alabama.

16. For that it affirmatively appears that the land, the interest of the widow in which was conveyed on February 18, 1956, is not the same land as that reported by the commissioners to be set apart to the widow or any part thereof.

LAW OFFICES J. TETTY REYNOLds, Jr. 1st nat'l bank bldg. mobile, ala. 17. For that it affirmatively appears that the widow has not abandoned or waived any right to have the East half of the Southeast quarter of Section 5, Towhship 3 North, Range 3 East, set apart to her as her homestead exemption or as exemption in lieu of homestead.

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18. For that it affirmatively appears that the widow has not abandoned or waived any right to have real property of the decedent other than the property conveyed on February 18, 1956, set apart to her as a homestead exemption or as an exemption in lieu of homestead.

19. For that it affirmatively appears that the widow has not parted with any right to claim land of the decedent other than that which may have been conveyed on February 18, 1956, as exempt to her from administration as a homestead exemption or as an exemption in lieu of homestead.

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IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE 1 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF OF JEFF TARVIN, DECEASED BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA ) )

IN EQUITY

No.

TO THE HONORABLE HUBERT M. HALL, JUDGE OF SAID COURT, SITTING IN EQUITY:

The following is a full inventory of all the goods and chattels, money, books, papers and evidences of debt of Jeff Tarvin, deceased, which have come into the knowledge of the Administratrix;

## GOODS AND CHATTELS

Money in a savings account, No. 106649, in the First 1. National Bank of Mobile, Mobile, Alabama, in the amount of \$134.70.

Money in a savings account, No. 955, in the First National 2. Bank of Atmore, Atmore, Alabama, in the amount of \$139.08.

Money in a checking account in the Baldwin County Bank, 3. Bay Minette, Alabama, in the name of Andrew Tarvin, in the amount of \$1,237.00.

Household furniture and other household goods located in Blacksher, Alabama.

5. Livestock.

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STATE OF ALABAMA COUNTY OF MOBILE

Peerl Tarvin, Administratrix of the estate of Jeff Tarvin, deceased, being duly sworn, makes oath that the foregoing inventory made by her is full and complete as to the goods and chattels, debts and money, which were of the said deceased at the time of his death, so far as the same have come to her knowledge or possession.

Afflant

Subscribed and sworn to before me this/Alday of April, 1954.

Public, Mobile County, Alabama

Solicitors for Administratrix

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|                                                                                                                 | on the <u>4th</u> day of <u>January</u> <u>19</u> <u>57</u> and that <u>Andrew Tanvin</u> , Joe Tarvin,<br>Dave Tarvin, Jeff Tarvin, Jr., Felix 'arvin, Mariah E. Tarvin Meaver, Frank J. 'arvin,                                                   | and Frank Es                                         |
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|                                                                                                                 | as attorney of record for said appellee.                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                                                      |
|                                                                                                                 | Witness my hand and the seal of this Court, this the <u>8th</u> day                                                                                                                                                                                 |                                                      |
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THE SUPREME COURT OF ALABAMA

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Andrew Tarvin, et al.

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Pearl Inrvin

Appeal from Baldwin Circuit Court, In Equity

OCODWYN, JUSTICE.

On December 12, 1953, Fearl Tarvin, the widow of Jeff Tarvin who died intestate in Baldwin County, Alabama, on December 16, 1945, filed in the probate court of Baldwin County a petition seeking her appointment as administratrix of said decedent's estate. Pursuant to said petition letters of administration were granted to her on December 12, 1953. On December 31, 1953, she filed in the circuit court of Baldwin County, in equity, a pettion for removal of the administration to that court. On February 9, 1954, such order for transfer was entered. On April 17, 1954, Pearl Tarvin filed in the equity court a petition to have her widow's exemptions set apart to her. This petition was amended on April 14, 1955, and egain on September 7, 1955.

On January 28, 1956, the court appointed three commissioners and appraisers to appraise and set apart the claimed exemptions. On July 12, 1956, the commissioners and appraisers made their report. On July 23, 1956, the heirs of Jeff Tarvin filed exceptions to the report. On November 6, 1956, Pearl Tarvin moved to strike said exceptions. On December 7, 1956, she also demurred to "the alleged contest" and exceptions. On December 11, 1956, a decree was entered sustaining said demurrer and allowing "the contestants \* \* \* 20 days in which to file additional pleadings." It is from that ruling that this appeal is brought by some of the heirs.

The right to appeal is purely statutory, and an appeal taken without statutory authority must be dismissed for want of jurisdiction. <u>American Life Das. Co. v. Powell</u>, 259 Ala. 70, 65 So. 2d 516; <u>Clary v. Cassels</u>, 258 Ala. 183, 61 So. 2d 692; <u>Skinner v. Phillips</u>, 257 Ala. 138, 57 So. 2d 515; <u>McGregor v. McGregor</u>, 250 Ala. 662, 35 So. 2d 685; <u>Sleard v.</u> <u>Ingalls</u>, 250 Ala. 585, 35 So. 2d 342; <u>Johnson v. Barnes</u>, 250 Ala. 292, 34 So. 2d 144, 145; <u>Devane v. Smith</u>, 216 Ala. 177, 112 So. 837; <u>Melson v. Cosmelius</u>, 208 Ala. 688, 95 So. 170; <u>Coker v. Fountain</u>, 200 Ala. 95, 75 So. 471; 4 C.J.S., Appeal & Error, § 18, p. 81. We find no statutory authority to support the appeal in this case; hence, we have no alternative but to dismise it.

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The only statutory authority for appeals from interlocutory decrees in equity is that given by § 755, Tit. 7. Code 1940. It is there provided that an appeal lies "from any decree rendered by the circuit court in equity cases, sustaining or overruling a demarrer to a bill in equity, or to a cross-bill, \* \* \* to be taken within thirty days from the rendition thereof to the supreme court." Clearly, the exceptions filed to the report of the commissioners and appraisers is not "a bill in equity" or "a cross-bill" within the meaning of those terms as used in § 755. Nor is the decree appealed from in any sense a "final decree" under § 754, Tit. 7, Code 1940.

The question being one of jurisdiction, the appeal must be dismissed as sero notu. <u>Vaughan v. Vaughan</u>, 262 Ala. 20, 22, 76 So. 2d 157; <u>Willingham v. Hood</u>, 242 Ala. 686, 688, 8 So. 2d 181; <u>Hicks v. Ward</u>, 240 Ala. 236, 237, 198 So. 705; <u>Holland v. Dwight Mfg. Co.</u>, 231 Ala. 506, 507, 165 So. 756; <u>Devane v. Smith</u>, 216 Ala. 177, 178, 112 So. 837, supra.

Appeal dismissed.

Levenn, Stakely and Merrill, JJ., concur.

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