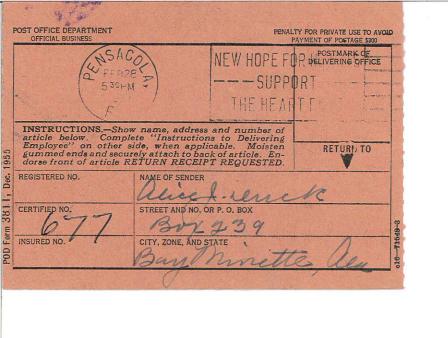
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This cause coming on to be heard and is submitted for final decree upon the pleadings and proof as noted by theregister and the same having been heard and considered by the court, it is Ordered, Adjudged and Decreed that the Complainant is entitled to the relief prayed for in his bill of complaint in this cause.

It appearing further to the court that answers and waivers were signed in this cause by Hattie Page, Florence Rice, Verta Mary Kilpatrick, Alwilda Rabon, Annie Mae Knowles, Buford Frost and Margarete Hayes, and that a decree pro confesso was rendered against the following named persons on personal service: Lillian Langham, Morris Broughton, Melbon Broughton, Minnie Broughton and Mrs. Dan Brunson. That a decree pro confesso was rendered against the following named persons, who was served by Registered Mail: Glenn Frost, Lucille Gross, Joseph H. Frost, and Voncille F. Logsdon. That a decree pro confesso has been rendered against George Broughton, who was served by publication. That each of the parties in this suit are over the age of 21 years and of sound mind and that it further appears to the court that all parties have been properly served and are properly before the court.

IT IS FUTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED as follows:

1. That the Complainant and Respondents are the joint owners of the following described land located in Baldwin County, Alabama, to-wit:

Northwest quarter of Southeast quarter of Section 34, Township 2 South, Range 2 East, less approximately 2 acres used by public roads.

That their interest in and to this property is as follows: Joe Broughton, the Complainant, %/ll, less a 4/ll mineral interest; Minnie Broughton 1/ll interest; Hattie Page 1/ll interest; Florence Rice, 1/ll interest; Lillian Langham 1/ll interest; Morris Broughton 1/ll interest; George Washington Broughton 1/ll interest; Melbon Broughton 1/ll mineral interest; Verta Mary Kilpatrick 1/ll mineral interest; Alwilda Rabon 1/ll minerallinterest;

Annie Mae Knowles 1/14 mineral interest; Buford Frost 1/98 interest; Glenn
Frost 1/98 interest; Margarete Hayes 1/98 interest; Lucille Gross 1/98 interest;
Mrs. Dan Brunson 1/98 interest; Joseph Hershel Frost 1/98 interest; Voncille
Frost Logsdon 1/98 interest.

- 2. That said real property cannot be equitably divided among the owners thereof without a sale of the same for division.
- 4. That Alice J. Duck, as Commissioner, shall immediately, upon the making of said sale, in the manner and form prescribed herein report her actions herein to the court, so that the same may be confirmed or rejected, as may seem meet and proper.
- 5. That upon the coming in of the Commissioner's report, and after the same has laid over for the time prescribed by law, the court will proceed to ascertain a reasonable attorneys fee to be paid Complainant's solicitors for their services in this cause and will also fix and ascertain the value of the mineral interest of those parties who had a mineral interest only in and to the aforesaid property. All other questions reserved.

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JOE BROUGHTON,

Complainant,

VS.

MORRIS BROUGHTON, ET AL.,

Respondent.

IN THE

CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY,

ALABAMA. IN EQUITY.

NO. 4488

JOE BROUGHTON, BEING FIRST DULY SWORN, TESTIFIED AS FOLLOWS:

Examination by Mr. Brantley:

- Q. What is your name, please sir?
- A. Joe Broughton.
- Q. Where do you live, Mr. Broughton?
- A. In Baldwin County, Alabama, Bay Minette, Route 1.
- Q. Are you over the age of 21 years?
- A. I am.
- Q. Who was your father?
- A. John C. Broughton.
- Q. Is he living or dead?
- . Dead.
- Q. Who was your mother?
- A. She was a Durant.
- . What was her first name?
- A. Margaret.
- Is she living or dead?
- A. Dead.
- Q. Did your father or your mother either leave a will when they died?
- A. Not that I know of.
- . How long has your mother been dead -- More than 10 years?
- A. Not 10 years.
- Q. More than five years?
- A. Yes sir.

- Q. How long has your father been dead?
- A. More than 10 years.
- Q. Name the children of your father and mother for me, please sir? -- I will ask you if these are all of the children of your father and mother: Dan, Ruth, Nellie, Joe, Hattie, Florence, Vitamae, Alwilda, Annie Mae, Charlie, Lillian, Morris, George, Melborn, Johnnie, Minnie and Rennie Frost -- 17 in all?
- A. That is right.
- Q. Are Dan, Ruth and Nellie all dead?
- A. Yes sir.
- Q. Did any of them have any children?
- A. No sir.
- Q. Were any of them ever married?
- A. Nellie was married, but she had no children.
- Q. Now is Renie Frost living or dead?
- A. She's dead.
- Q. Are these the children of Renie Frost: Buford B. Frost,
 Glenn Frost, Margarete Hayes, Lucille Gross, Mrs. Dan Brunson,
 Joseph H. Frost and Voncil F. Longsdon?
- A. Yes sir.
- Q. Are all of these children over the age of 21 years?
- A. Yes sir.
- Q. And of sound mind?
- A. Yes sir.
- Q. Is Hattie Page a resident of Bay Minette, Alabama?
- A. Yes sir.
- Q. Minnie Broughton resides in Bay Minette, Alabama?
- A. Yes sir.
- Q. Florence Rice and Lillian Langham resides at Point Clear,
 Alabama?
- A. Yes sir.
- Q. Morris Broughton resides at Semms, Alabama?
- A. Yes sir.

- Q. George Washington Broughton is a non resident of the State of Alabama, and you don't know where he resides?
- A. That's right.
- Q. Buford Frost is a non-resident of the state of Alabama, and resides at 1722 Citron St. Terrytary, Hawaii?
- A. Yes sir.
- Q. Terry Tary, Hawaii --
- A. Yes sir.
- Q. Glenn Frost is a non-r sident, living at Drazaria, Texas?
- A. Yes sir.
- Q. Margaret Hayes is a non-resident of the State of Alabama, residing at Route 3, DeFüniak Springs, Florida?
- A. Yes sir.
- Q. Lucille Gross is a non-resident of the State of Alabama, residing at 2712 West Hatten St., Pensacola, Florida?
- A. Yes sir.
- Mrs. Dan Brunson, lives at 1123 Caroline St., Mobile,
 Alabama?
- A. Yes sir.

Joseph Hershel Frost lives at 611 Alabama St., St Louis, Mo?

- A. Yes sir.
- Q. Voncil Frost lives at 2428 North 12th Avenue, Pensacola, Fla?
- A. That's right.
- Q. Verta Mary Kilpatrick, Melborne Brewton, Alwilda Rabon and Annie Mae Knowles all live in Bay Minette, Alabama?
- A. Yes sir.
- Q. And you say they are all over the age of 21 years and of sound mind?
- A. Yes sir.
- Q. Now during his life time did your father own the following described property, located in Baldwin County, Alabama:

 Northwest Quarter of Southeast Quarter of Section 34,

 Township 2 South, Range 2 East?
- A. That is right.

- Q. Was he in possession of this complete forty acre tract of land?
- A. Yes sir.
- Q. For how long was he in possession of it?
- A. As long as I can remember.
- . How long can you remember?
- . 50 years.
- Q. Has anybody ever been in possession of any of it during the time you have known it except your family?
- A. No sir.
- Q. What is the nature of this land -- Is it all in cultivation?
- A. No sir, about half of it is.
- Q. The other half is in timber?
- . Yes sir.
- . Is there a house on the property?
- . Yes sir.
- Q. Have some of your brothers and sisters conveyed their interest in this land to you?
- . Yes sir.
- Q. Are these the deeds that were given to you?
- A. Yes sir.

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- MR. BRANTLEY: We introduce in evidence the following deeds:
 - 1. Deed Johnie Broughton and wife, Edna B.
- Broughton to Joe Broughton, dated May 22, 1957, recorded in Deed Book 256 at page 332;
- 2. Deed Alwilda Broughton Rabon, a widow, to Joe
 Broughton, dated June 8, 1957 and recorded in Deed Book 256 at page
 330, Probate Office of Baldwin County, Alabama;
- 3. Deed Anna Mae Broughton Knowles and husband, Frank J. Knowles, to Joe Broughton, dated May 6, 1957 and recorded in deed book 256 at page 328, Probate Office of Baldwin County, Alabama;
- 4. Deed Verta Mary Broughton Kilpatrick and husband,
 James Kilpatrick, to Joe Broughton, dated June 1, 1957 and recorded in Deed Book 256 at page 331, Probate Office of Baldwin County,

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- 5. Deed, Melbon Edward Broughton and wife, Laura Broughton, to Joe Broughton, dated June 27, 1957 and recorded in Deed Book 257 at page 190, Probate Office of Baldwin County, Alabama.
- 6. Deed Charlie Broughton and wife, Alberta Davis
 Broughton, to Joe Broughton, dated June 8, 1957 and recorded
 in Deed Book 256 at page 329, Probate Office of Baldwin County,
 Alabama,

Each of said deeds conveying the NW4 of Southeast Quarter, Section 34, Township 2 South, Range 2 East, Baldwin County, Alabama.

- Q. Now in the deeds that we have introduced, did Verta Mary
 Kilpatrick, Alwilda Rabon, and Annie Mae Knowles and Melbon
 Broughton reserve their mineral rights in and to these lands?
- A. Yes sir.
- Q. And the deeds from theother three parties included all mineral rights?
- That's right.
- Q. In your opinion, can this land be divided among the heirs of your father and mother in kind?
- A. No sir.
- Q. That is, giving each one the same amount in value?
- A. No sir.
- Q. It would be impossible because of the number of heirs?
- A. Yes sir.
- Q. What effort have you gone to locate George Washington Broughton? How long has it been since you have heard from him?
- A. 1917. when he left home.
- Q. No one in your family has heard from him since that time?
- A. No.

- Q. Do you own an undivided 7/14th interest in this land, less a 4/14th interest in the minerals?
- A. Yes sir.
- Q. Do you know the interest of Minnie Broughton, Hattie Page, Florence Rice, Lillian Langham, Morris Broughton, George Washington Broughton?
- A. A child's part.
- Q. Is that an undivided 1/14th interest?
- A. Yes sir.
- Q. The other heirs that we have named, Buford, Frost, Glenn Frost, Margarete Hayes, Lucille Gross, Mrs. Dan Brunson, Joseph Hershel Frost and Voncile Frost each own an undivided 1/98th interest in this land?
- A. Yes sir.
- Q. Was it necessary for you to employ a lawyer to hring this suit?
- A. Yes sir.
- Q. What firm did you employ?
- A. Wilters & Brantley.

CERTIFICATE:

I hereby certify that the foregoing, consisting of pages 1 to 6 both inclusive, correctly sets forth a true and correct transcript of the testimony as taken by me on this day in open Court in the above styled cause.

This 29th day of May, 1959.

Court Reporter

STATE OF ALABAMA BALDWIN COUNTY

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That we JOHNIE BROUGHTON and EDNA B. ROUGHTON, his wife, Grantors for and in consideration of the sum of TEN (\$10.00) DOLLARS and other good and valuable consideration to them in hand paid by JOE BROUGHTON, Grantee, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, do hereby GRANT, BARGAIN, SELL AND CONVEY unto the said Grantee, my undivided interest in and to the following described property situated in Baldwin County, Alabama to-wit:

> The Northwest Quarter of the Southeast quarter less two acres used for public road and situate in Section 34 Township 2 South,

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD, with the appurtenances thereunto belonging unto the Grantee, his heirs and assigns forever.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and seals on this the 22 mb day of May, 1957.

Johne Broughton

STATE OF ALABAMA BALDWIN COUN

and for said County, in said State, hereby certify that Johnny Broughton and Edna B. Broughton, his wife whose names are signed to the foregoing conveyance, and who are known to me, acknowledged before me on this day that being informed of the contents of said conveyance, they executed the same voluntarily on the the same bears date.

day of May, 1957, came before me the within named Edna B. Broughton, known to me to be the wife of the wideling named Johnny Broughton, and who being examined separate and apart from her hasband, touching her signature to the within conveyance, acknowledged that she signed the same of her own free will and accord and without fear, constraints or threats on the part of her husband.

Given under my hand and seal on this the 22 nd day of May, 1957.

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The Northwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter less two acres used for public road and situate in Section 34 Township 2 South,

Grantor reserves unto herself, her heirs and assigns, the undivided oil, gas and mineral interest in on and under the said undivided interest in described property.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD, with the appurtenances thereunto belonging unto the Grantee, his heirs and assigns forever.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal on this the day of June, 1957.

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STATE OF ALABAMA BALDUEN COUNTY

I, C, LeNoir Thompson, a Notary Public, in and for said County, in said State, hereby certify that Wilda Broughton Paybon, a widow, whose name is signed to the foregoing convoyance, and who is known to me, acknowledged before me on this day that being informed of the contents of said conveyance, she executed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date.

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KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That we Anna Mae Broughton Knowles and Frank Knowles, Grantors for and in consideration of the sum of TEN (\$10.00) DOLLARS and other good and valuable consideration to it in hand paid by Joe Broughton, Grantee, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, do hereby GRANT BARGAIN, SELL and CONVEY unto the said Grantee, my undivided interest in and to the following described property situated in Baldwin County, Alabama to-wit:

The Northwest quarter of the Southeast quarter less two acres used for public road and situate in Section 34 Township 2 South, Range 2 East.

Grantor reserves unto herself, her heirs and assigns, the undivided oil, gas and mineral interest in on and under the said undivided interest in described property.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD, with the appurtenances thereunto belonging unto the Grantee, his heirs and assigns forever.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and seals on this the 6 Th day of May, 1957.

anna Mae Broughton Knowles (SEAL)

STATE OF ALABAMA BALDWIN

said County, in said State, hereby certify that Anna Mae Broughton Knowles and Frank Knowles, her husband whose names are signed to the foregoing conveyance, and who are known to me, acknowledged before me on this day that being informed of the contents of said conveyance, they executed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date.

came b fore me the within named Anna Mae Broughton Knowles, known to me to be the wife of the within named Frank Knowles, and who being examined separate and a ert from her husband, touching her signature to the within conveyance, acknowledged that she signed the same of her own free will and accord and without fear, constraints or threats on the part of her husband.

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STATE OF ALABAMA BALDWIN COUNTY

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That we, CHARLIE BROUGHTON and ALBERTA DAVIS BROUGHTON, Granters for and in consideration of the sum of TEN (\$10.00) DOLLARS and other good and valuable consideration to them in hand paid by JOE BROUGHTON, Grantee, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, do hereby CHANT, BARGAIN, SELL and CONVEY unto the said Grantee, my undivided interest in and to the following described property situated in Paldwin County, Alabama to-wit:

> The Northwest quarter of the Southeast quarter less two acres used for public road and situate in Section 34 Township 2 South, Range 2 East.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD, with the appurtenances thereunto belonging unto the Grantee, his heirs and assigns forever.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set out hands and seals on this the

STATE OF ALABAMA BAIDWIN COUNTY

I, C. LeNoir Thompson , a Notary Public, in and for said County, in said State, hereby certify that Charlie Broughton and Alberta Davis Broughton, his wife whose names are signed to the foregoing conveyance, and who are known to me, acknowledged before me on this day that being informed of the contents of said conveyance, they executed the same

voluntarily on the day the same bears date.

And I do further certify that on the state day of came before me the within named Alberta Davis Broughton, known to me to be the wife of the within named Charlie Broughton, and who being examined separate and apart from her husband, touching her signature to the within conveyance, acknowledged that she signed the same of her own free will and accord and visite out fear, constraints or threats on the part of her husband.

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KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That we, VERTA MARY BROUGHTON KILPATRICK, and JAMES KILPATRICK, Granters for and in consideration of the sum of TEN (\$10.00) DOLIARS and other good and valuable consideration to them in hand paid by JOE EROUGHTON, Grantee, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, hereby GRANT, BARGAIN, SELL and CONVEY unto the said Grantee, my undivided interest in and to the following described property situated in Baldwin County, Alabama to-wit:

> The Northwest quarter of the Southeast quarter less two acres used for public read and situate in Section 34 Township 2 South.

Grantor reserves unto herself, her heirs and assigns, the undivided oil, gas and mineral interest in on and under the said undivided interest in described property.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD, with the appurtenances thereunto belonging unto the Grantee, his heirs and assigns forever.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and seals on this the Lst day of June , 1957.

Verla Mary Broughton Kilpatrick

STATE OF ALABAMA BALDWIN COUNTY

I, C. LeNoir Thompson , a Notary Public, in and for said County, in said State, hereby certify that Verta Pary Broughton Kilpatrick, and James Kilpatrick, her husband whose names are signed to the foregoing conveyance, and who are known to me, acknowledged before me on this day that being informed of the contents of said conveyance, they executed the same voluntarily

on the day the same bears date.

And I do further certify that on the 1st day of June , 1957, came before me the within named Verta Mary Broughton Kilpatrick, known to me to be the wife of the within named James Kilpatrick, and who being examined separate and apart from her husband, touching her signature to the within conveyance, acknowledged

that she signed the same of her own free will and accord and without fear,

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Probate

JOE BROUGHTON

COMPLAINANT

VS

NORRIS BROUGHTON, ET AL,

RESPONDENTS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA,
IN EQUITY
NO. 4488

DECREE

This cause coming on for further hearing on the report of the Commissioner notice of which was given the parties and upon testimony, said testimony being taken before Louise Dusenbury, as Commissioner, and the same being considered by the court. It appears to the court as follows:

Pursuant to the decree of this court dated the 1st day of June, 1959, Alice J. Duck, the Commissioner appointed herein, did set a sale of the property hereinafter described for 11:30 A. M. on the 13th day of July, 1959, and did give notice of the time, place and terms of the sale and the description of the property by publication for three successive weeks in the Baldwin Times, a newspaper of general circulation published in Baldwin County, Alabama, and being described as follows, to-wit:

Northwest quarter of Southeast quarter of Section 34, Township 2 South, Range 2 East, less approximately 2 acres used for public roads.

At the time and place set but in said notice the said property was offered for sale at public auction to the highest and best bidder for cash. That Joe Broughton, being the highest, best and last bidder, did purchase the aforesaid land for the sum of SIXTY SIX HUNDRED (\$6600.00) DOLLARS. That these bids were fair and reasonable and should be confirmed; that the said Commissioner reported said sale to this Honorable Court on the 13th day of July, 1959; that notice of such was given to the Complainant, the only party in this cause against whom no decree pro confesso was taken; that no objections or exceptions were filed to said report within ten days thereafter, and that no cause was shown why said sale should not be confirmed. It appears to the court from the testimony taken in this cause that said sale should be confirmed and a deed executed by Alice J. Duck, to Joe Broughton conveying to him the property heretofore describedin this decree.

It further appearing to the court that this cause was filed by the Firm of Wilters & Brantley, attorneys, and that a reasonable attorneys fee should be allowed them for the services rendered in this cause in the sum of \$700.00.

It further appearing to the court that the costs incurred in this proceeding amount of \$196.41, which includes a Commissioner Fee.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED, that Alice J. Duck, as Commissioner, be and she is hereby ordered to execute a deed for the property heretofore described to Joe Broughton.

It appearing to the court from the testimony in this cause that the value of the minerals owned by the tenants in common in this cause is \$10.00 per acre.

It further appearing to the court that since the time of the court's prior decree in this cause the interests owned by the Respondents have changed so that now Minnie Broughton owns an undivided 4/14 interest, less an undivided 3/14 oil, gas and mineral interest; that Morris Broughton now owns only an undivided 1/14 mineral interest; that Lillian Langham now owns an undivided 1/14 mineral interest; that each of the following now own an undivided 1/98 mineral interest: Buford Frost, Glenn Frost, Margarete Hayes, Lucille Gross, Mrs. Dan Brunson, Joseph Hershell Forst, Voncille Frost Logsdon. No other interest of the tenents in common have changed.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that the proceeds of the sale in the hands of said Commissioner be paid as follows:

Wilters & Brantley, Attorneys at Law \$700.00 _ Alice J. Duck, as Commissioner and as Register 196.41

This amount being the court cost in this proceeding, and the balance of saidproceedings will be distributed as follows:

Joe Broughton	\$2743,23
Minnie Broughton	1548.18
Hattie Page	107.40
Florence Rice	407.39
George Washington Broughton	407.39

Lillian Langham		\$ 27.14
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VS

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COMPLAINANT	IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA,
VS	IN EQUITY
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This cause coming on to be heard and is submitted for final decree upon the pleadings and proof as noted by theregister and the same having been heard and considered by the court, it is Ordered, Adjudged and Decreed that the Complainant is entitled to the relief prayed for in his bill of complaint in this cause.

It appearing further to the court that answers and waivers were signed in this cause by Hattie Page, Florence Rice, Verta Mary Kilpatrick, Alwilda Rabon, Annie Mae Knowles, Buford Frost and Margarete Hayes, and that a decree pro confesso was rendered against the following named persons on personal service: Lillian Langham, Morris Broughton, Melbon Broughton, Minnie Broughton and Mrs. Dan Brunson. That a decree pro confesso was rendered against the following named persons, who was served by Registered Mail: Glenn Frost, Lucille Gross, Joseph H. Frost, and Voncille F. Logsdon. That a decree pro confesso has been rendered against George Broughton, who was served by publication. That each of the parties in this suit are over the age of 21 years and of sound mind and that it further appears to the court that all parties have been properly served and are properly before the court.

IT IS FUTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED as follows:

1. That the Complainant and Respondents are the joint owners of the following described land located in Baldwin County, Alabama, to-wit:

Northwest quarter of Southeast quarter of Section 34, Township 2 South, Range 2 East, less approximately 2 acres used by public

That their interest in and to this property is as follows: Joe Broughton, the Complainant, 7/14, less a 4/14 mineral interest; Minnie Broughton 1/14 interest; Hattie Page 1/14 interest; Florence Rice, 1/14 interest; Lillian Langham 1/14 interest; Morris Broughton 1/14 interest; George Washington Broughton 1/14 interest; Melbon Broughton 1/14 mineral interest; Verta Mary Kilpatrick 1/14 mineral interest; Alwilda Rabon 1/14 minerallinterest;

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- 2. That said real property cannot be equitably divided among the owners thereof without a sale of the same for division.
- 4. That Alice J. Duck, as Commissioner, shall immediately, upon the making of said sale, in the manner and form prescribed herein report her actions herein to the court, so that the same may be confirmed or rejected, as may seem meet and proper.
- 5. That upon the coming in of the Commissioner's report, and after the same has laid over for the time prescribed by law, the court will proceed to ascertain a reasonable attorneys fee to be paid Complainant's solicitors for their services in this cause and will also fix and ascertain the value of the mineral interest of those parties who had a mineral interest only in and to the aforesaid property. All other questions reserved.

Done this day of June, 1959.

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Circuit Judge

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JOE BROUGHTON, Complainant

MORRIS BROUGHTON, et al Respondents

Pursuant to terms and provisions of a decree rendered in this cause on the 1st day of June, 1959, the undersigned as Commissioner, will sell at public outcry, to the highest bidder for cash, at the front door of the Courthouse in Bay Minette, Baldwin County, Alabama, at 11:30 o'clock A.M. on the 13th day of July, 1959, the following described property situated in Baldwin County, Alabama, to wit:

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Northwest quarter of Southeast quarter of Section 34, Township 2 South, Range 2 East, less approximately 2 acres used by public roads.
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Dated this 1st day of June, 1959.
ALICE J. DUCK,
As Commissioner

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Solicitors for Complainant.

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BALDWIN COUNTY. E. R. Morrissette, Jr. being duly sworn, deposes and says

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that he is the EDITOR of THE BALDWIN TIMES, a Weekly Newspaper published at Bay Minette, Baldwin County, Alabama; that the notice hereto attached of
Joe Broughton vs. Morris Broughton
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143 WORDS @ 5 cents \$7.5 I hereby certify this is correct, due and unpaid (paid). Editor.
was published in said newspaper forconsecutive weeks in the following issues:
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Date of 3rd publication June 18, 1959 Vol. 7/ No. 23
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Subscribed and sworn before the undersigned this day of , 1952.
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JOE BROUGHTON IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COMPLAINANT BALDWIN COUNTY, A LABAMA, VS IN RQUITY MORRIS EROUGHTON, ET AL, RES PONDE NTS

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STATE OF ALABAMA BAIDWIN COUNTY

TO ANY SHERIFF OF THE STATE OF ALABAMA:

You are hereby commanded to summon MORRIS BROUGHTON, MINNIE BROUGHTON, HATTIE PAGE, FLORENCE RICE, LILLIAN IANGHAM, GEORGE WASHINGTON BROUGHTON, BUFORD B. FROST, GLENN FROST, MARGARETE HAYES, LUCILLE GROSS, MRS. DAN BRUNSON, JOSEPH HERSHEL FROST, VONCILLE FROST, BERTA MARY KILPATRICK, MELBON E. BROUGHTON, ALWILDA RABON, AND ANNIE MAE KNOWLES, TO appear and Plead, answer or demur within thirty days from the service hereof to the Bill of Complaint filed in the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, in Equity, by JOE BROUGHTON, as Complainant, and against Morris Broughton, et al, as Respondents.

WITNESS my hand this the 16 day of farmany, 1959.

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JOE BROUGHTON

COMPLAINANT

VS

MORRIS BROUGHTON, ET AL,

RESPONDENTS

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

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

Comes now the Complainant in the above styled cause and shows unto Your Honor as follows:

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That the Complainant, Joe Broughton, is a resident citizen of Bay Minette, Baldwin County, Alabama, over 21 years of age.

2.

That the Respondent, Hattie Page is a resident of Bay Minette, Alabama; that the Respondent, Minnie Broughton, is a resident of Bay Minette, Alabama; that Florence Rice and Lillian Langham are residents of Point Clear, Amabama; that Morris Broughton is a resident of Sims, Alabama; that George Washington Broughton is a non-resident of the State of Alabama, and whose address cannot be ascertained after diligent inquiry; that the Respondent, Buford B. Frost, is a non-resident of the State of Alabama, and resides at 1722 Citron Street, Terry Tary, Hawaii; that the Respondent, Glenn Frost is a non-resident of the State of Alabama, and resides at Drazaria, Texas; that the Respondent, Margarete Hayes, is a non-resident of the State of Alabama, and resides at Route 3, De Funiak Springs, Florida; that the

Respondent, Incille Gross, is a non-resident of the State of Alabama, and resides at 2712 West Hatton Street, Pensacola, Florida; that the Respondent, Mrs. Dan Bruson, is a resident of the State of Alabama, and resides at 1123 Carolina Street, Mobile, Alabama; that the Respondent, Joseph Hershel Frost, is a non-resident of the State of Alabama and resides at 6111 Alabama Street, St. Louis, Missouri; that the Respondent, Voncile Frost, is a non-resident of the State of Alabama, and resides at 2428 North 12th Avenue, Pensacola, Florida; that the Respondents, Verta Mary Kilpatrick, Melbon E. Broughton, Alwilda Rabon, and Annie Mae Knowles are residents of Bay Minette, Baldwin County, Alabama; the Complainant avers that all of the named respondents are each of sound mind and over the age of 21 years.

3.

The Complainant further shows unto the Court that he and the Respondents are the joint owners of the following described land located in Baldwin County, Alabama, to-wit:

Northwest quarter of Southeast quarter of Section 34, Township 2 South, Range 2 East, less approximately 2 acres used for public roads.

That said lands cannot be equibably divided because of the respective interest of the parties to this suit and further because part of this land is in timber, part in cultivation and because there is a house on this land.

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That the Complainant is the owner of an undivided 7/11; interest in and to the lands described in the Bill of Complaint, less an undivided 14/114 mineral interest therein.

That the Respondents' interests are as follows: Minnie Broughton,
Hattie Page, Florence Rice, Lillian Langham, Morris Broughton, George
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5.

That the Complainant further shows unto Your Honor that it is necessary for the Complainant to employ a solicitor to institute this proceeding for partition and division by a sale of the aforesaid property; that he

has employed the firm of Wilters & Brantley, attorneys at law, for this purpose, and that their fee as such solicitor should be ascertained and taxed as a part of the cost of this proceeding.

WHEREFORE, premises considered, your Complainant prays that all parties Respondent be made parties to this Bill of Complaint and that the process of this court issue to the Respondents and each of them requiring them to plead, answer or demur to the foregoing Bill of Complaint within the time prescribed by law.

Premises considered, your Complainant prays that on a final hearing of this cause, Your Honor will:

- 1. Decree that the property is jointly owned by the Complainant and Respondents.
- 2. Decree that the Complainant and Respondents own this land in the proportion set out in this bill of complaint.
- 3. Decree that it is necessary that a sale be held by the Register of this court for the purpose of partition and division of said lands among the joint owners thereof and issue an order that a sale be made.
- 4. Order a reference to ascertain a solicitor fees to be taxed as a part of the cost of this proceeding to be paid Complainant's Solicitors of record out of the proceeds of the sale of said property.

Your Complainant prays for such other, further or different relief as in equity may be meet and just.

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STATE OF ALABAMA

BALDWIN COUNTY

Personally appeared before me, the undersigned authority, in and for said County, in said State, Joe Broughton, who is known to me and who having been by me first duly sworn, deposes and says: that he has read the foregoing Bill of Complaint and the matters alleged therein are true.

Sworn to and subscribed before me th

day of January, 1959.

Notary Public.

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LEGAL NOTICE

In this cause it appearing from affidavit that the Respondent, George Washington Broughton, is over the age of 21 years, and is a non-resident of the State of Alabama; that his residence cannot be ascertained after reasonable inquiry.

answer or demor to the allegations of the Bill of Complaint filed against him in this cause on or before the 27th day of February, 1959, or upon the expiration of thirty days from said date the same will be taken as confessed against him. It is further ordered that notice of this order be published for once a week for four consecutive weeks in the Baldwin Times, a newspaper published in the County of Baldwin, State of Alabama.

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Solicitors for the Complainant.

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This cause coming on to be heard and is submitted for final decree upon the pleadings and proof as noted by theregister and the same having been heard and considered by the court, it is Ordered, Adjudged and Decreed that the Complainant is entitled to the relief prayed for in his bill of complaint in this cause.

It appearing further to the court that answers and waivers were signed in this cause by Hattie Page, Florence Rice, Verta Mary Kilpatrick, Alwilda Rabon, Annie Mae Knowles, Buford Frost and Margarete Hayes, and that a decree pro confesso was rendered against the following named persons on personal service: Lillian Langham, Morris Broughton, Melbon Broughton, Minnie Broughton and Mrs. Dan Brunson. That a decree pro confesso was rendered against the following named persons, who was served by Registered Mail: Glenn Frost, Lucille Gross, Joseph H. Frost, and Voncille F. Logsdon. That a decree pro confesso has been rendered against George Broughton, who was served by publication. That such of the parties in this suit are over the age of 21 years and of sound mind and that it further appears to the court that all parties have been properly served and are properly before the court.

IT IS FUTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED as follows:

1. That the Complainant and Respondents are the joint owners of the following described land located in Baldwin County, Alabama, to-wit:

Northwest quarter of Southeast quarter of Section 34, Township 2 South, Range 2 East, less approximately 2 acres used by public roads.

That their interest in and to this property is as follows: Joe Broughton, the Complainant, \$\pi/ll_1\$, less a \$\lambda / ll_1\$ mineral interest; Minnie Broughton 1/ll_1 interest; Hattie Page 1/ll_1 interest; Florence Rice, 1/ll_1 interest; Lillian Langham 1/ll_1 interest; Morris Broughton 1/ll_1 interest; George Washington Broughton 1/ll_1 interest; Melbon Broughton 1/ll_1 mineral interest; Verta Mary Kilpatrick 1/ll_1 mineral interest; Alwilda Rabon 1/ll_1 mineral interest;

Annie Mae Knowles 1/14 mineral interest; Buford Frost 1/98 interest; Glenn
Frost 1/98 interest; Margarete Hayes 1/98 interest; Lucille Gross 1/98 interest;
Mrs. Dan Brunson 1/98 interest; Joseph Hershel Frost 1/98 interest; Voncille
Frost Logsdon 1/98 interest.

- 2. That said real property cannot be equitably divided among the owners thereof without a sale of the same for division.
- 4. That Alice J. Duck, as Commissioner, shall immediately, upon the making of said sale, in the manner and form prescribed herein report her actions herein to the court, so that the same may be confirmed or rejected, as may seem meet and proper.
- 5. That upon the coming in of the Commissioner's report, and after the same has laid over for the time prescribed by law, the court will proceed to ascertain a reasonable attorneys fee to be paid Complainant's solicitors for their services in this cause and will also fix and ascertain the value of the mineral interest of those parties who had a mineral interest only in and to the aforesaid property. All other questions reserved.

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In this cause it appearing from affidavit that the Respondent, George Washington Broughton, is over the age of 21
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JOE BROUGHTON, Complainant

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF

VS

BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA

MORRIS BROUGHTON, Et al, Respondents

IN EQUITY NO. 4488

REPORT OF REGISTERS SALE

Whereas on the 1st day of June, 1959, Your Honor entered a decree in the above styled cause directing the Register to sell parcel of land described in said decree.

The undersigned as Register of this court, did give notice by advertisement in the Baldwin Times a newspaper published at Bay Minette, Baldwin County, Alabama, three consecutive weeks prior to the sale, that on the 13th day of July, 1959, during the legal hours of sale she as such Register would offer for sale at public outcry, in front of the Courthouse the parcel of land described in said order directing the sale, and at such place and time she did offer the said parcel of land for sale; in said manner and did offer and receive bids for said parcel of land. At such sale Joe Broughton being the highest best and last bidder therefor did purchase said parcel at the sum of Six Thousand, aSix Hundred and no/100 (\$6,600.00) said parcel described at follows:

Northwest quarter of Southeast quarter of Section 34, Township 2 South, Range 2 East, less approximately 2 acres used by public roads.

And the said bidder having paid into this Court the amount of said bid and your Register of this Court holds the same subject to the approval by this Court of such sale and subject to further orders of and directions of this Court.

This / 3 day of July, 1959.

Register in Equity.

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LEGAL NOTICE

In this cause it appearing from affidavit that the Respondent, George Washington Broughton, is over the age of 21 years, and is a non-resident of the State of Alabana; that his residence cannot be ascertained after reasonable inquiry.

answer or demor to the allegations of the Bill of Complaint filed against him in this cause on or before the 27th day of February, 1959, or upon the expiration of thirty days from said date the same will be taken as confessed against him. It is further ordered that notice of this order be published for once a week for four consecutive weeks in the Baldwin Times, a newspaper published in the County of Baldwin, State of Alabama.

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Respondents.

IN THE
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WILSON HAYES, BEING FIRST DULY SWORN, TESTIFIED AS FOLLOWS:

Direct examination by Mr. Brantley.

- Q. Is your name Wilson Hayes?
- A. Yes.
- Q. Are you an Attorney at Law?
- A. Yes sir.
- Q. Mr. Hayes, have you bought or sold, or drawn documents for the purchase and sale of minerals in Baldwin County,

 Alabama?
- A. Yes sir.
- Q. Are you familiar with the current price of mineral interests in Baldwin County?
- A. Yes sir.
- Q. Are you familiar with the mineral value in this general area, the $NW_{\frac{1}{4}}^{1}$ of $SE_{\frac{1}{4}}^{1}$, Sec. 34, Tp. 2 South, Range 2 East, Baldwin County, Alabama?
- A. Yes, I am familiar with the mineral prices in that area.
- Q. In your opinion, what is the value of one mineral acres in that area?
- A. I would say the value would be in the neighborhood of \$10.00 to \$12.00 per mineral acre.
- Q. Would that price vary if the minerals were as much as 20 or 40 acres?
- A. It would nt vary substantially if that were all of the land involved.
- Q. Are you familiar with the Bar rates and the current fees charged by Attorneys for the sale of land for (page 1)

distribution in Baldwin County, Alabama?

- A. Yes sir.
- Q. Have you looked at the file in this case the case of Joe Broughton vs. Morris Broughton, et al?
- A. I have not examined it closely, but I will do so.
- Q. Assuming that this case that the property involved in this suit was 40 acres of land that sold for \$6,600.00 and that there were 14 tenants in common involved in the litigation; that it was uncontested Dooyou have an opinion of the reasonable Attorneys' fee for the handling of the suit?
- A. Yes sir.
- Q. What is your opinion?
- A. In my opinion a reasonable Attorneys' fee would be in the neighborhood of \$700.00 to \$800.00.
- J. CONNOR OWENS, BEING FIRST DULY SWORN, TESTIFIED AS FOLLOWS: Examination by Mr. Brantley.
- Q. What is your name, please?
- A. Connor Owens.
- Q. You are an Attorney at Law, presently practicing in Bay Minette. Alabama?
- A. I am.
- Q. As such, have you conducted the sale of lands for minerals or had mineral sales in your office bought and sold?
- A. I have.
- Q. Are you familiar with the current price of minerals in Baldwin County?
- A. I am.
- Q. Are you familiar with the price of minerals in this particular area $NW_{\frac{1}{4}}$ of $SE_{\frac{1}{4}}$, Sec. 34, Tp. 2 South, Range 2 East?
- A. Yes. I understand that all of Baldwin County is considered

to be, with the exception of the extreme north portion, rank wild-cat and the price is fairly uniform over the entire County, with the exception of South Carlton Field in the North end of the County.

- Q. In your opinion, what is the value of minerals or one mineral acre in Baldwin County, Alabama?
- A. Roughly \$10.00 an acre; maybe 50¢ more or less a mineral acre.
- Q. Would the number of acres involved in a tract affect the sale price?
- A. Yes.
- Q. Assuming that there was 40 acres involved, what, in your opinion, would be the value of the minerals per acre?
- A. In otherwords, instead of being widely spread -- It would bring a lesser price.
- Q. Assuming this was less than 40 acres, would this be more or less?
- A. Less.
- Q. Assuming that you had an undivided interest in a 40 acre tract, would the price be more or less per mineral acre?
- A. Less.
- Q. Mr. Owens, are you familiar with the Baldwin County fee system and price charged by Attorneys generally in a suit for partition and division?
- A. Yes.
- Q Assuming that a 40 acre tract of land was sold for partition and division, and brought \$6,600.00, and that there were 14 tenants in common, and the suit was uncontested. What, in your opinion, would be a reasonable Attorney's fee for the Attorneys representing the Complainant?
- A. Roughly, 10% of the \$6,600.00

CERTIFICATE:

I hereby certify that the foregoing, consisting of pages 1 to 3, both inclusive, is a true and correct transcript of the testimony as taken by me in this cause on the 20th day of July, 1959.

This the 20th day of July, 1959.

Spicial Court Reporter

JOE BROUGHTON	Ŏ
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Comes now the Respondent, Melbon Broughton, one of the Respondents in the above styled cause and accepts service of the Bill of Complaint heretofore filed in said cause; waives notice of the filing of interrogatories in said cause, the right to cross the same; waives notice of the taking of testimony in said cause; and consents that the same may be taken and the cause submitted for final decree. For answer to the Bill of Complaint heretofore filed in this cause the Respondent says:

That he admits the allegations of the complaint insofar as it relates to the names of the parties in this cause, their ages, their residences, but denies all other allegations contained therein.

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CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY THE STATE OF ALABAMA, BALDWIN COUNTY _____, Term, 19____ Joe Broughton Vs. Morris Broughton, et al, Defendant____ Alice J. Duck that the order of publication In this cause it appears to the Registerheretofore made in this cause, was published for four consecutive weeks, commencing on the 29th day of January , 19 59 , in the Baldwin Times a newspaper published Bay Minette , Alabama, that a copy of said order was posted at the Court House door County, on the 29th day of January 19\subseteq 59 Baldwin and . Alice, J. Duck that the said And it now further appearing to the Rosi George W. Broughton having, to the date hereof, failed to demur, plead to, or answer the Bill of Complaint in this cause, it is now, therefore, on motion of Complainant, ordered and decreed by the Register Alice J. Duck that the Bill of Complaint in this cause be, and it hereby is in all things taken as confessed against the said George W. Broughton This 14 day of April

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JOE BROUGHTON,	¥	IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF
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Now comes Minnie Broughton, one of the Respondents in this cause and shows unto this court that since the commencement of this suit she has obtained the interest of Morris Broughton, Lillian E. Langham, and the heirs of Renie Frost, Deceased. The said Respondent, Minnie Broughton, now owns an undivided four-fourteenths interest in and to all of the property which is the subject of this suit, less an undivided three-fourteenths interest in and to all oil, gas and other minerals situated in, on or under the said property. The deeds under which your Respondent obtained her interest in this property were filed for record in the Office of the Probate Judge of Baldwin County, Alabama, on June 30, 1959.

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Respectfully submitted,

Solicitor for Respondent, Minnie Broughton.

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DECREE PRO CONFESSO ON REGISTERED MAIL

In this cause it being made to appear to the court by the allegations of the Bill of Complaint that the Respondents Glenn Frost, resides at Drazaria, Texas; Lucille Gross lives at 2712 W. Hatten Street, Pensacola, Florida; Joseph H. Frost lives at 6111 Alabama Street St. Louis, Missouri; and Voncille Logsdon lives at 2428 N. 1201 Avenue, Pensacola, Florida; and that a copy of the original bill in this cause together with a summons to answer said bill within thirty days from the service thereof was deposited in the Registered Mail in the post office at Bay Minette, Alabama, by the Register of this court and mailed to each of the above named Respondents and addressed to those addresses appearing after their names, and that the said Respondents above named received the same in person on the following dated: Glenn Frost March 2, 1959; Lucille Gross February 28, 1959, Joseph H. Frost March 2, 1959, and Voncille Logsdon February 28, 1959, as shown by the return receipts received and filed in this cause, and the said Respondents each having failed to demur, plead to, or answer the said bill to the date hereof;

It is now, therefore, on the motion of the Complainant's Solicitor, ordered and decreed by the said bill of complaint in this cause be and it is hereby in all things taken as confessed against Glenn Frost, Lucille Gross, Joseph H. Frost, Voncille Logsdon.

This ______ day of April, 1959.

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DECREE PRO CONFESSO ON PERSONAL SERVICE

In this cause it being made to appear that a summons requiring the Respondents, Lillian Langham, Morris Broughton, Melbon Broughton, Mrs.

Dan Brunson, and Minnie Broughton to appear and plead to or answer the Bill of Complaint in this cause, within thirty days from the service upon them and that Lillian Langham was duly served on the 26th day of February, 1959, and Morris Broughton on the 9th day of March, 1959, and Melbon Broughton on the 26th day of February, 1959, and Mrs. Dan Brunson on the 10th day of March, 1959, and Minnie Broughton on the 27th day of January, 1959, and the said Respondents and each of them have failed to plead, to, answer or demur to the said bill to the date hereof, it is Now, Therefore, on the motion of the Complainant's Solicitor, ordered and decreed that the said bill of complaint in this cause be, and it hereby is in all things taken as confessed against Lillian Langham, Morris Broughton, Melbon Broughton, Mrs. Dan Brunson, and Minnie Broughton.

Done this 14 day of April, 1959.

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MOTION FOR DECREE PRO CONFESSO ON PERSONAL SERVICE

WHEREFORE, Complainant moves that a decree pro confesso be entered against the said $^{\mathrm{R}}$ espondents and each of them.

Done this the lith day of April, 1959.

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RESPONDENTS

Pursuant to terms and provisions of a decree rendered in this cause on the 1st day of June, 1959, the undersigned as Commissioner, will sell at public outcry, to the highest bidder for cash, at the front door of the Courthouse in Bay Minette, Baldwin County, Alabama, at 11:30 o'clock A.M. on the 13th day of July, 1959, the following described property situated in Baldwin County, Alabama, to-wit:

Northwest quarter of Southeast quarter of Section 34, Township 2 South, Range 2 East, less approximately 2 acres used by public roads.

The said sale will be made for the purpose of making a division among the joint owners of said property.

Dated this 1st day of June, 1959.

Alice J. Duck
As Commissioner

Wilters & Brantley Solicitors for Complainant.

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MOTION FOR DECREE PRO CONFESSO ON REGISTERED MAIL.

Comes the Complainant in the above styled cause and shows unto the Register that a summons was directed to the Respondents, Glenn Frost,
Lucille Gross, Joseph H. Frost, and Voncille Logsdon, together with a copy of the Bill of Complaint in this cause was issued and forwarded by registered mail on the day of January, 1959, to each of the Respondents' place of residence as shown by the Bill of Complaint. The postage on said letters were post paid and the same marked for delivery to addressee only and return receipt demanded. Said demanded return receipts each bears the signatures of the Respondents herein above named and were duly received and filed for record in this cause. The dates of these receipts are as follows: Glenn Frost March 2, 1959; Lucille Gross, February 28, 1959;
Joseph H. Frost March 2, 1959; and Voncille Logsdon February 28, 1959, and the said Respondents have to the date hereof failed to plead, answer or demur to the Bill of Complaint, all of which appears of record in this cause.

WHEREFORE, the Complainant moves that a decree pro confesso be entered against the said Respondents.

Done this 14 day of April, 1959.

Wilters & Brantley

Solicitors for the Complainant

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