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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA.

COUNTY OF Oconee

Personally appeared before me HAMILTON HILL, who being duly sworn deposes and says:

That on the 17th day of October 1939, he was employed by Robert Gage, Receiver of Peoples State Bank of South Carolina. That at said time he held Power of Attorney from the said Robert Gage as Receiver authorizing deponent to satisfy mortgages given to or held by said Receiver.

Deponent has no independent recollection of a bond and mortgage dated September 18, 1936, in the sum of \$250.00, given by Mrs. Evelyn Margaret Taft of Greenville, S.C. to William Elliott and Robert Gage as Receivers of Peoples State Bank of South Carolina. Deponent is informed that Mrs. Evelyn Margaret Taft holds satisfaction of said mortgage executed by deponent dated October 17, 1939, and that Mrs. Taft does not have in her possession, or cannot find the said mortgage.

To the best of deponent's recollection and belief, at the time of the execution of the said satisfaction by deponent, Robert Gage as Receiver of Peoples State Bank of South Carolina was the bona fide owner and holder of said bond and mortgage and that at said time said bond and mortgage was not assigned, hypothecated or otherwise disposed of.

By order of the United States District Court, the records of the Receiver of the Peoples State Bank of South Carolina were destroyed when the Receiver was discharged on or about February 22, 1941. So far as deponent is informed, the only records relating to said receivership are the original records in the office of the Clerk of the District Court of the United States for the Eastern District of South Carolina in Charleston, S. C.

Sworn to before me this  
20 day of February 1948.

Helen D. Johnson  
Notary Public for S. C.

Hamilton Hill