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Rockport, Texas,

March 29, 1889

See blueprint map accompanying
this statement filed May 3^d 1889.

C. W. Puffer.

Hon R. M. Hall, Comr G. L. L.
Austin, Tex.

Dear Sir,

I send you
herewith a blue print of surveys on
Aransas County on "Liv Oak Point",
with the following explanation thereof.

- 1 - The S.W. Corner of the Jos Hollis Survey is well identified, within a few varas, by its proximity to the small island in the Salt Lake, and its bearing on the old Copano house ruins, and the meanders of the bay northward -
- 2 - The S.W. Corner of the Kilpatrick is well identified by the coast line, by its mesquite bearing tree, still standing and its bearing on the Smith House across Bay.
3. The N.E. Corner of the Bergaud is well identified by its two bearing trees, still standing, these trees have the exact

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- distances called for, but the bearings are magnetic - also proper marks, ^{and} sizes. This corner is due east of its N.W. Cor, ^{and} the distance slightly excessive -
4. The corners of the Fessenden cannot be identified except by course ^{and} distance from Bugard - The call for the two large Oaks at S.W. Corner is simply preposterous, and there are natural mounds enough in the immediate vicinity to furnish corners for all the surveys on the Point.
5. The Jno G. Smith Corners and lines are well marked - and easily identified.
- 6 - The N.W. Corner of P. Mills, on South line of John Smith has its two bearing trees, one of which is blown over. Its S.W. Corner calls for a L.C. S $34\frac{1}{2}$ E 57. ^{via} this bearing should be N $34\frac{1}{2}$ E 57. ^{via} the tree is still alive.
- 7 The distance from the N.W. Mills

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Corner to Water of Puerto Bay falls quite short of the distance called for in the field notes of the Puten, but agrees very nearly with the distance called for in the Jos. F. Smith. There is also a slight variance in the bearing on the Smith house and the grass island, called for by John Smith Sr.

8 The Shore line along the east line of the ^{Wm} Casper has been eroded and washed away by storms (so I am told by persons living here) until its meanders cannot be relied on to establish corners. The S.W. Corner of the Casper calls for two bearing trees mkd "S" - two such are now standing, the larger being on the line fence between Col Fulton and Mr Gibbs. These two trees are said by Col. Fulton and other parties here to be the trees called for by Casper Survey, yet the

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 Line of the Cafer as Claimed by Col. G. W. Fulton (and as recognized by E. S. Winsor, former County Surveyor as the N. E. Corner of J. Crocoline Tr., in his survey of said Crocoline Tr. made under Order of Court) - is over one hundred varas south of the location that would be given to it by the two bearing trees.

9 - The South lines of the Hollis & Cafer were supposed (by the field notes) to be the same yet to run the Hollis south line from its S. W. Corner, will identify and the Cafer south line from its Claimed present position will prove the Cafer line about 400 varas south of the Hollis line.

10 The Crocoline & Howd have no identification except by connection from above.

11 The field notes of the P. P. Williamson No 35 - will not fit the shore.

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5. line at all - To follow the meanders of this line, from its present recognized and claimed N.E. Corner, would place its S.E. Corner about 200 yards out in the bay. As the Paup survey, & the T. Green, appear to be paper surveys, I located the Williamson from its claimed S.E. Corner, going back its full distance, thus making its north line longer than called for. And giving the Paup & Green their full quantity. To which the owner of the T. Green excepts.

12. - The T.P. Williamson^{No 36.} is well identified by its coast meanders which fit the shore remarkably well, and by its bearing tree at its N.W. Corner.

13 The A. Staff survey, (which is almost entirely covered by the Williamson No 36,) is well identified by its shore line and the stump of its bearing tree at N.E. Corner.

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- 14 The Two Kettle & Highland Swamps agree with the shore line well.
- 15 The S. G. Powell - S.W. & N.E. Corners have their bearing trees still standing -
- 16 The N.W. Corner of the C. S. Lane is also a living corner, its tree being easily identified.
- 17 The Two C. W. Egan Swamps being evidently paper swamps - I deemed it unnecessary to run them out on the ground.

In connection with this letter and map, please have your Aftersman refer to the Field Notes in Refugio Scrip File No 319 in Your Office.

If I have erred in locating any of the swamps (I have doubts about the Casper and Williamson 35) - please inform me, giving reference to decisions of Court governing the case -

Yours &c

J. E. Jones
County Surveyor A. Co.

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Surveyor's Statement as to
Surveys on Live Oak Peninsula
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