



General Land Office.

State of Texas.

Austin.

May 27, 1914.

J. T. ROBISON, COMMISSIONER.

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Mr. G. A. Lider,  
County Surveyor Floyd Co.,  
Floydada, Texas.  
Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of yours of the 13th of March, the 21st of April and the 22 Inst. with reference to resurvey by you of blocks 3 and 4, T. & P. Ry. partly in Hall, Briscoe, Motley and Floyd Cos. Under separate cover with yours of the 13th of March I also received the field notes of the resurvey in these blocks made by you and blue print sketch.

Under separate cover I am returning all of the field notes to you for the reasons thereafter stated. In the beginning, however, permit me to say that all of the field notes you submitted are mathematically correct. I have before me the certified copy of the agreement between the owners on these blocks with reference to a resurvey of them. We also have your statement under date of the 12th of Dec. of last year showing how your work was accomplished. I also have filed among these papers a certified copy of the letter I wrote you officially as the Commissioner under date of Feb. 12, 1913.

Now, I find that a number of the field notes I returned you cover surveys which are entirely outside of yours, Floyd County, hence, under the law we could not file the field notes of such surveys in this office as official field notes made by you as county surveyor where the land is situated entirely in another county. Some of the field notes which are returned to you cover sections which are partly in the adjoining counties. These field notes could be accepted provided you will have them recorded in your own county giving the book and page, and then have them likewise recorded in adjoining counties in which the land is partly situated.

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None of the field notes which you sent show to be recorded at all. I note in a number of instances you have furnished subdivision field notes for individual surveys and also school sections. The subdivision field notes for individual surveys can not be filed in this office as official field notes. The subdivisions, however, of the school sections which are situated entirely in your county could be filed if returned here with \$1.00 filing fee on each set. However, we should have with them corrected field notes of the entire section in one survey. Of course if the owners do not care to pay the filing fee on the subdivision field notes now and have them filed they can retain such subdivision field notes and file them later on whenever they care to do so.

As to the individual survey for which you have some subdivision field notes we should have field notes of the entire survey and not subdivisions. Of course, as to both of these features you have sufficient data in your office from which you can prepare such field notes and file them here. Of course, bearing in mind my letter to you of Feb. of last year, the survey in the adjoining counties having been made by you will, no doubt, be binding upon the owners as between themselves as definitely fixing the lines between one another in view of their agreement, and the surveyors of the adjoining counties should, I think, be governed by your survey in preparing corrected notes or resurvey field notes to be filed in this office, and when they prepare such field notes for filing here they should prepare them leaving out any reference to your work in this county. Of course they can adopt the lines and corners and the bearings etc. fixed by your survey.

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You will note that the field notes which are being returned to you are fixed up in separate packages and the examining draftsman has endeavored to note on the separate packages the objections to same. I find however, that reference has been made to recording field notes in the adjoining counties in their proper counties. But with what is above stated you will see that these field notes cannot be accepted though recorded by them. The field notes, for instance, of whole surveys in the counties outside of Floyd would have to be prepared by the surveyor of the respective counties.

As before stated, the entire work seems to be mathematically correct and I am raising no objections as to this feature, and I wish to again state that in view of the agreement made by the parties the lines and corners fixed by you would, no doubt, be binding between the owners. However, the statute provides that where land is in one county entirely the survey must be made by the surveyor of that county, if the field notes of such are to be filed in this office; therefore without disturbing your work, which can stand as between the owners when the parties in Motley, Briscoe and Hall Cos. wish to file field notes for their survey they will have to have them prepared by the surveyor of their respective counties, though the surveyors of those counties, I think, would be bound to accept work as accomplished by you.

If I have not made myself clear in this letter, I would be glad to call your attention to any matter which I have omitted.

Yours truly,

Acting Commissioner.

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Commissioners' Letter of  
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