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STATE LICENSED LAND SURVEYOR

~~COUNTY SURVEYOR OF HOWARD COUNTY~~
MAPPING - OIL WELL LOCATIONS - LAND SURVEYS

Lamesa,
~~Big Spring~~, TEXAS

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Hon. Bascom Giles,
Land Commissioner,
Austin, Texas.

SUBJECT: Blk. 31, Tsp. 2-N.,
T.& P. Sur. Howard Co., Tex.

Dear sir:

I have prepared a corrected sketch of the area shown by the plat you sent me asking for explanations and corrections that you might understand the different surveys of this part of Blk. 31, Tsp. 2 N.

I have had to disregard the survey and plat as made by J.H. Ramsey in 1909 as to the N. line of this Block as to adhere to this survey as shown by plat made by Ramsey, would leave a vacancy strip along the N. line of this Blk. and S. line of Blk. 31, Tsp. 3 N. as made by W.D. Twichell.

The survey as made by Twichell according to the check I made and the field notes I have found of this N. line Blk. 31 Tsp. 2 N. and S. line of Blk. 31 Tsp. 3 N. is correct and I find corners as marked Twichell on plat on the ground as on accompanying sketch, where I do not find the corners according to field notes and plat by Ramsey. The prior surveys of a part of this Blk. 31 a made by me have been made accordind to Ramsey's plat and notes. The S. part of this Blk. 31 corresponds somewhat to Ramsey notes and plat, or S. of the Big Spring and Gail road. This road was established by survey as made by T.H. Seay and, no corners present on the ground of this survey, the County of Howard and land owners along this road have accepted this line as being correct. Therefore the survey of this particular area has been made to correspond with the existing roads and corners found on the ground without creating a vacancy between these adjoining Blocks.

In the survey I made of sections 12 and 14 of this Blk. I gave as reference the corners as shown on plat but they were in error as I did not at that time have the Field Notes as prepared by Twichell and finding these I.P. and P.S. tied to them as being the right corners, therefore explaining the discrepancy of the N.E. cor. of this Blk. 31 and the reference corners as shown in survey of these sections 12 and 14.

This reference cor. of sec. N.W. cor. 14 should be, fr. wh a P.S. set by Twichell Brs. N. 14*29' W. 3836 vrs. same being the N.W. cor. sec. 4 this Blk. and Tsp. also the S.E. cor. sec. 44 and S.W. cor. sec. 455

Blk. 33 Tsp. 3. N.

Trusting that this plat and letter of explanation will get this survey sufficiently straight in the Land Office so there will be no more difficulty in this particular area, for the Man from Colorado City, Mr. Buchanan has made a similar mistake as to the N. line of this Blk. 31 and has constructed some surveys there that I believe will be in error

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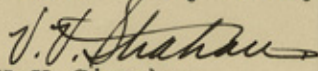
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when properly checked. The corners as set By Twichell have been destroyed since I made this survey last summer, and a new sheep proof fence has been built along the line as shown on this sketch. They have removed the I.P. and also the stone md. that were there when the survey was made, and as I had a large flag tied to the N.E. cor. I.P. with stakes driven in the ground three ways from this I.P. so that I might anchor this flag, have been back the second time to remove the anchor stakes that were driven in the ground, however this corner is well referenced and will be easily found from the reference stone mounds, as they are using the S.18*53'W. 71.6 vr. reference I.P. and P.S. as the N.E. cor. of this Blk. 31 Tsp. 2 N.

I have made a very careful check of this survey and find why the two surveys as made by me do not or did not correspond and have tried, by this corrected sketch and letter of explanation tried to explain to you.

Trusting that this is explanatory and every thing may be adjusted by this, I am,

Yours very truly,


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Licensed Land Surveyor,
Lamesa, Texas.

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Sketch No. 15

Howard County
Statement from V.V. Straham
Regarding Construction of the
N. Part T. & P. Blk. 31 Twp. 2 N.

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