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Commissioner Robison  
General Land Office  
Austin, Texas.

*About 25 acres in  
DeWitt Co.*

Dear Sir:-

At the request of the county judge of this county (Karnes) I beg to draw your attention to an anomalous situation that exists, I will say, between Karnes County and the Comptroller's Abstract.

There is a colonial four league grant known as the Maria de Jesus y Barvo, lying partly in Karnes and partly in Goliad County. Its field notes embraces a wide frontage on the San Antonio river; extending up the river from the mouth of the Cabeza creek, a conspicuous tributary. In its West boundary it runs due North to the Cabeza creek; thence downward with the creek to its place of beginning at the mouth. These boundaries are well identified, easy to follow, and have been recognized and accepted by the various property owners from an early day; nor is there now any existing controversy or dispute regarding them.

The official county maps issued from your office show that while the major portion of the M. de Jesus y Barvo grant lies in Goliad county, the county line between Goliad and Karnes runs across the grant, and quite a large part of the grant is cut off into Karnes county.

I am informed by the Karnes County Tax Assessor that the Comptroller's Abstract shows no part of the grant in this county.

There is no existing controversy between Goliad and Karnes regarding their mutual county line. It was rerun and marked jointly by the county surveyors of both counties in February 1912, under an agreement between their respective commissioners courts; and their report was approved, and made of record. The residents north of the line recognize that they reside in Karnes county, and those south of the line that they reside in Goliad county.

Certain property owners on the Maria de Jesus y Barvo grant who are north of the county line are disposed to take advantage of the hiatus in the assessors abstract, and refuse to render their property in Karnes county, preferring to render in Goliad county, for reasons sufficient for themselves; and the Karnes County Tax Assessor feels that he is without authority to proceed against them.

This situation has existed from the establishment of Karnes County. Some tentative efforts have been made in the past to have it corrected, but nothing came of them. The conditions on the ground are in strict agreement with the official map; and it is only right and proper that this long continued injustice to this county should be terminated.

I enclose herewith ~~that~~ plat and field notes duly sworn to, compiled from actual survey upon the ground, of that part of the Maria de Jesus y Barvo grant that lies in Karnes County. I trust you

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will give them the requisite consideration, when I will be pleased to hear from you at your convenience, what further steps will be necessary to satisfy your office of the true conditions, and secure that correction of the Comptroller's Abstract, that will enable Karnes County to assess and collect the legal taxation of all the lands within her established boundaries.

Yours respectfully

*Wm. H. Leckie*

Office of Wm H. LECKIE  
Land Surveyor  
P.O. Box 103  
Runge, Texas.

Field notes of that part of the Maria de Jesus y Barve colonial grant in Karnes and Goliad counties that lies north of the Karnes-Goliad county line.

Said survey is situated in Karnes County, Texas, on the west side of the Cabeza Creek, a tributary of the San Antonio River.

Beginning at the north corner of the said colonial grant, at a stake in the bed of the Cabeza Creek.

Thence South, 7317 varas with the West boundary line of the grant to its intersection with the line between the counties of Karnes and Goliad.

Thence N.51°E. 2915 varas along said county line and across said grant to its east boundary, in the bed of the Cabeza creek.

Thence up the creek with its meanders to the place of beginning. Containing within those boundaries, by estimate, 2096 acres of land.

June, 1922.

*Wm H. Leckie*

I hereby certify that the foregoing survey was made by actual survey upon the ground, and that the lines, boundaries and corners are truly and correctly described and set forth in the foregoing field notes.

*Wm H. Leckie*

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 6th day of June, 1922.

*M. J. Leber*  
Notary Public, Karnes Co, Texas.

SKETCH FILE<sup>15</sup>  
KARNES CO.

Plat and Field notes<sup>15</sup>  
of that part of the M. de  
Jesus y. Barro Grant  
in Karnes County -  
Filed June 7<sup>th</sup> 1922 -

J. P. Robison, Comm.  
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This data filed & accepted  
for the purpose only of  
correcting the Abstract of  
said grant so as to show  
proper acreage in Karnes  
County -

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See Plat attached -



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KARNES COUNTY

Antonio Lugo

North 317 Karnes from County line to Cabeza Creek

MARIA DE JESUS Y BARBO

Karnes  
Goliad

DEWITT  
Karnes

DEWITT COUNTY

Creek  
COUNTY

GOLIAD COUNTY



Scale  
1 INCH = 500 VARAS

— PLAT —  
— OF —  
— That part of —  
MARIA DE JESUS Y BARVO GRANT  
— IN —  
Karnes County, Texas.