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Cotulla, Texas  
October 16, 1941

Hon. Alvis Vandygriff  
Chief Clerk and Acting Commissioner  
General Land Office  
Austin, Texas

Dear Sir:

In reply to your letter of October 1, 1941 in which you requested additional data on the original corners, creek ties, and river meanders which were used in connection with my work covering an area located about six (6) miles west of Cotulla in La Salle County, Texas, and which I reported on in connection with Applications to Purchase by Good Faith Claimants in said area, I give you the following.

I will first state that I meandered the Nueces River from the southwest corner of the Amos Edson Survey 510 down the river to the southeast corner of J. Poitevent Survey 7. I also tied into the Nueces River at the southeast corners of J. Poitevent Survey 8 and 9 and Joseph Cotulla Survey 10 and meandered both channels of the river at the southeast corner of J. Poitevent Survey 9.

In describing the original corners found, I will not discuss these corners as to seniority but will work from right to left across the map previously furnished you. At the northeast corner of Joseph Cotulla Survey 10, I set a 4" pointed Mesquite stake at a point where I found a loose mound of small stones. From said mound of stones a 9" dead Mesquite snag bears S 19° E 111.4 varas, said snag has two very old hacks which I identify as the two hacks which were placed below the cross marked by the original surveyor. The part of the tree above the two hacks is gone.

At the southeast corner of Joseph Cotulla Survey 10 (J. Poitevent), I set a 5" pointed Mesquite stake from which I found a 21" forked Mesquite marked  $\equiv$  N 48° W, 2.1 varas, and a 24" forked Mesquite marked  $\equiv$  N 20° E, 7.2 varas. This corner is the original west corner of McMullen and McGloin Survey 10 $\frac{1}{2}$  and is the beginning for the ten J. Poitevent River Surveys laid out by Garretson in 1874.

At the southeast corner of J. Poitevent Survey 8 on the Nueces River, I set a 6" Mesquite stake marked "8" on the west and "9" on the east from which a 13" Live Oak marked  $\equiv$  very old, bears N 68 $\frac{1}{2}$ ° W, 5.4 varas, and a 16" Live Oak stump was found to bear S 68-3/4° E, 5 varas.

At the southwest corner of J. Poitevent Survey 8 I found a very old 3" Mesquite stake 6" above the ground from which a large decayed Mesquite stump bears S 67 $\frac{1}{2}$ ° W, 21.8 varas. I failed to find the Elm called for at this corner.

At the northeast corner of J. Poitevent Survey 7, I set a 5" pointed Mesquite marked "7" from this stake I found a 16" Mesquite snag marked  $\equiv$ , very old N 18° E, 40.6 varas, and a 16" Mesquite snag  $\equiv$  N 20° E, 40.2 varas.

At the northeast corner J. Poitevent Survey 6 I set a 4" pointed Mesquite stake from which I found a 10" Mesquite snag marked  $\equiv$  to bear S 82 $\frac{1}{2}$ ° E, 17.2 varas, and a 13" Mesquite snag marked  $\equiv$  to bear S 85° E, 17.4 varas.

At the northeast corner J. Poitevent Survey 5, I set a 4" pointed Mesquite stake from which an 18" Mesquite stump, no marks visible, bears S 22° W, 37.1 varas, and a 16" Mesquite stump, no marks, bears N 67° W, 35.0 varas, both stumps had definite prongs.

At the northwest corner of J. Poitevent Survey 5, I set a 4" pointed Mesquite stake from which I found a 16" Mesquite marked  $\equiv$  to bear S 23 $\frac{1}{2}$ ° E, 9.8 varas. One prong of this Mesquite has rotted off.

At the southeast corner of J. Poitevent Survey 5, I found a very old 5" square Mesquite stake from whence a 13" Elm marked  $\equiv$  bears S 50° E, 2.4 varas,

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and a 9" Elm stump bears N  $11\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$  W, 1.4 varas.

At the most northerly northwest corner of the Mateo Casillas Survey 400 I set a point for corner from whence a large Mesquite stump, hole, bears S  $38\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$  W, 25.4 varas.

At the most westerly northwest corner of said Casillas Survey I set a 6" pointed Mesquite stake from whence I found a 13" Mesquite snag marked  $\bar{X}$  very old marks to bear S  $80^{\circ}$  W, 4 varas, and a 13" Mesquite snag, no marks, to bear S  $70\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$  W, 4 varas.

At the southwest corner of J. Poitevent Survey 3, I found an old rotted 3" Mesquite stake six inches below the ground from which I found a 24" Elm marked  $\bar{H}$  to bear N  $72^{\circ}$  E, 7.2 varas. I found no signs of the other Elm called for at this corner. The marks on the tree found at this corner were seven inches inside the tree. I marked a 10" Mesquite  $\bar{S}$  S  $50^{\circ}$   $45'$  W, 12.2 varas and marked a 12" Mesquite  $\bar{N}$  N  $26^{\circ}$   $45'$  W, 17.3 varas. These trees were marked since I thought there was some danger of the original witness falling and being destroyed after I had blocked same to find the original marks. At the southwest corner of J. Poitevent Survey 2, which is slightly east of the southwest corner of M. E. Carroll #515 I set a 5" pointed Mesquite stake for corner from which I found a 12" Live Oak marked  $\bar{H}$ , marks very old, to bear N  $55^{\circ}$  W, 5 varas, and an old rotten Elm stump to bear N  $66^{\circ}$  E, 5.6 varas.

At the southwest corner of J. Poitevent Survey 1, which is slightly east of the southwest corner of B. W. Tolliver Survey 514, I set a point on river bank from whence I found an 18" Elm marked  $\bar{H}$  to bear N  $64-3/4^{\circ}$  E, 36.2 varas. I failed to find the 14" Mesquite called for at this corner.

At the northeast corner of J. Poitevent #19 I set a 2"x2" oak stake from whence I found a 14" Mesquite snag marked  $\bar{H}$  to bear N  $32^{\circ}$   $30'$  W, 20 varas, and a 12" Mesquite stump to bear N  $88^{\circ}$   $30'$  W, 33.4 varas, no marks found on Mesquite stump. At the southwest corner of J. Poitevent Survey 19 I set a 4" pointed Mesquite post from whence I found a 23" Live Oak marked  $\bar{H}$ , very old marks, to bear S  $55^{\circ}$  E, 10.3 varas, and a 14" Live Oak marked  $\bar{H}$ , very old marks, to bear N  $61^{\circ}$   $15'$  E, 7.2 varas.

At the northwest corner J. Poitevent Survey 19 I set a 6" pointed Mesquite stake from which was found a 14" Mesquite snag (dead) marked  $\bar{H}$  to bear N  $60^{\circ}$   $25'$  E, 34 varas and I found a 12" Mesquite snag (rotten) and on ground, no marks visible, to bear N  $20^{\circ}$  W, 14 varas. I also found an old rotten pointed Mesquite stake lying on the ground loose at the point where I set the 6" Mesquite stake.

At the southwest corner of the D. N. Pike (J. Poitevent) Survey 22 I set a 3" pointed Mesquite stake from whence I found a 14" Mesquite marked  $\bar{X}$  (old) to bear S  $60^{\circ}$  E, 3.7 varas.

At the northwest corner of said Survey 22 I set a 5" pointed Mesquite stake from whence I found a dead Mesquite marked  $\bar{H}$  to bear N  $86-3/4^{\circ}$  W, 4.3 varas. I failed to find the Mesquite called for to bear N  $40^{\circ}$  E, 8 varas.

At the northeast corner of D. N. Pike (J. Poitevent) Survey 22 I set a 5" pointed Mesquite stake from whence I found a 10" dead Mesquite lying on the ground  $\bar{H}$  to bear N  $15^{\circ}$  W, 13.8 varas, and found a 16" Mesquite stump cut OFF Even with the ground to bear S  $32^{\circ}$  W, 9.8 varas.

At the northeast corner of the A. P. McMains (J. Poitevent) Survey 24 I found a rock for corner.

At the southeast corner of J. Poitevent Survey 26 I set a 5" pointed Mesquite stake from whence I found a 20" Mesquite stump marked  $\bar{H}$  to bear S  $85^{\circ}$  W 31.4 varas, and a Mesquite stump cut off even with the ground to bear S  $58^{\circ}$  W, 21.9 varas.

At the northwest corner of the A. P. McMains (J. Poitevent) Survey 24 I set a 5" pointed Mesquite stake from whence I found a 14" Mesquite snag marked  $\bar{H}$  to bear N  $87^{\circ}$  E, 15.2 varas, and found a 10" Mesquite snag (rotten)



marked  $\begin{array}{c} \equiv \\ + \\ \equiv \end{array}$  N 89° E, 14.8 varas.

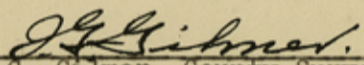
At the southwest corner of J. Poitevent Survey 26 I set a 5" pointed Mesquite stake from whence I found a 16" Mesquite prong marked  $\begin{array}{c} \equiv \\ + \\ \equiv \end{array}$  to bear S 19½° W, 15.2 varas and found a 10" Mesquite prong marked  $\begin{array}{c} \equiv \\ + \\ \equiv \end{array}$  to bear S 24½° W, 14.6 varas.

In the I&GN RR Co. Block 4 at the northeast corner of Section 10 I found a very old rotted stake 8" below the ground from whence I found a 17" Mesquite snag marked X, N 30° W, 2 varas, marked  $\equiv$  on northeast side. No hacks were found above the X because the tree was broken off just above the X mark.

In regard to the creek calls on the northwest and southeast lines of the I&GN RR Block 4, I wish to state that the creek found on the northwest line checks the call given in the original notes and that the creek found on the southeast line checks within 36 varas the call given in the original notes.

In regard to line tree markings, be advised that old marked lines were found along the north and west lines of J. Poitevent Survey 19 and along west line of Poitevent Survey #1.

Yours very truly,

  
J. G. Gilmer, County Surveyor  
of La Salle County, Texas.



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