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Office Memo re. const. of

T.C.Ry. Co., Blk. A-2

G.C.S.D. & R.G.N.G.Ry. Co., Blk. B-2

E.L. & R.R.Ry. Co., Blk. C-3

G.C. & S.F.Ry. Co., Blk. C-4

Pecos & Terrell Co.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Construction of the following blocks in Pecos and Terrell Counties, which were originally surveyed by H. C. Barton in 1881, and re-surveyed by J. A. Simpson in 1929 through 1936: T.C. R.R. Co., Block A-2; C.C.S.D.&R.G.N.G. R.R. Co., Block B-2; E.L.&R.R. R.R. Co., Block C-3; and G.C.&S.F. R.R. Co., Block C-4.

In compliance with a request received from Clifford C. Cool, dated September 12, 1960, for instructions from this office as to the proper method of locating the boundary lines of the sections in the captioned blocks, a conference was held with the Legal Department and the Engineering Department to study the matter.

It now appears from an examination of all the Land Office records pertinent to the area that the map filed in this office in 1936 by J. A. Simpson, known as Terrell County Rolled Sketch "JAS", represents the construction of the Barton blocks which should be followed, based upon the corners which are identified by witnesses.

This construction has been recognized by the Land Office for more than twenty-four years and patents and deeds of acquittance have been issued on the corrected field notes of J. A. Simpson compiled in accordance with the "JAS" map. The Land Office has been informed that all land owners in the area recognize this re-survey and are holding their property accordingly, and that injustices would occur by a reversal of opinion and the rejection of the Simpson survey at this late date.

It is also to be noted that the variation used by Mr. Simpson in his re-survey of the Barton blocks was the variation used in the Whiteside, Turner and Douglas Oil Company cases for Blocks A-2 and B-2.

It is, therefore, the concensus of opinion of those conferring that the Land Office should continue as heretofore to accept corrected field notes for the issuance of patents and deeds of acquittance based upon the construction reflected in the Simpson map.

Signed:

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