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Hon. Bascom Giles
Commissioner, General Land Office
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Dear Mr. Giles:

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This report covers a re-survey of Surveys 81 and 82, Rusk Transportation Co. Certificate No. 61, in Travis County, Texas, owned by Mr. D. C. Reed of this city, who engaged me to make a survey of Survey 82 so as to secure patent on same.

Before starting a detailed report let me explain that these two surveys have been held on the ground generally as I found them, on the East and South, in other words, the calls in the field notes of these two surveys for the river surveys, which in most cases are senior surveys and have always been respected by the adjacent property owners and the General Land Office, while the East line of Survey 82 is held to the West line of Survey 57, A. W. Nichols, original grantee, surveyed on the ground by the same surveyor about a year later. The main West line of this survey is the East line of the Benjamin Levitt Survey, and to me it is evident that this line was not run out on the ground as the surveyor of the Levitt only ran three lines on the ground and closed his survey of the Levitt by computation to enclose a certain number of acres, therefore, the holding of this line has been vague by the property owners. The North line of these two surveys have always been indeterminable because they were not run out on the ground by the locating surveyor as evidenced by the wording in the field notes. This may be contrary to certain court decisions, but there is a great deal of doubt as to whether the locating surveyors were actually on the ground in a large proportion of their early surveys in Texas and the surveys on the North are simply "fill-in" surveys and were never run on the ground regardless of calls for corners, because I found none where corners are called for in field notes of same or anywhere in the vicinity of their supposed positions.

I began my survey at a large rock mound on the East side of Sandy Creek, the well recognized Southeast corner of the Benjamin Levitt Survey No. 32, while there is no call in the Levitt Survey for a rock mound at this corner, and further the connection in the Levitt Survey of North 20° West 800 varas from the Northwest corner of the Robert Foster Survey No. 31 cannot be satisfied on account of the spread East and West when the J. F. Carleton Survey was put in between the John Stewart 551 and 552 on the East and the Gilcrease on the West, but this corner most nearly conforms to the surrounding surveys and the field notes of the Levitt itself.

From this place of beginning, I ran a line North 63° 35' East to hit a corner previously established by Mr. Orin E. Metcalfe, a very eminent and reliable surveyor of this county, who has recently returned field notes to your office on a certain tract of land out of the East Texas Railroad Company's Survey No. 54, which has been patented lately. At this point I turned an angle of a 124° and 20' to the left following Mr.

Metcalfe to make the North line have a bearing of South $60^{\circ} 45'$ East and a distance of 1124.1 varas. This length of line places within Survey No. 81, 640 acres. The North line of Survey No. 82 was determined by extending the East line of 82 North $29^{\circ} 35'$ East 434 varas from the northwest corner of the A. W. Nichols Survey No. 57, thus respecting the call in Survey No. 53, East Texas Railroad Company. From this point I turned an angle of 90° to the right and intersected the East line of Survey No. 81, 296.6 varas South $29^{\circ} 35'$ West from the previously located northeast corner of said Survey 81, thus breaking the call for a common corner of Surveys 81 and 82, but hereby relieving any conflict between Survey 82 and East Texas Railroad Company's Survey No. 53, and also allowing Survey 54 East Texas Railroad Company to take up a part of the excess in this immediate area as both are sold but unpatented school land.

The East line of Survey 82 has a bearing of South $29^{\circ} 35'$ West and is 2887.0 varas long or 42.0 varas excessive North and South. The Southeast corner of 82 was established by intersecting the North line of the J. Farrant Survey which has a bearing of North $60^{\circ} 15'$ West where a rock mound was built for corner, marked no trees at this point as only small cedar trees were available.

Thence following brushed out lines and the original corners of the river surveys in Northeast and Northwest "steps" to the Northwest corner of the Penland Survey where I determined this corner to be 1772 varas from bank of the Colorado River or 100 varas short of field note call.

The West line of the Robert Foster Survey calls to be 1170 varas North 30° East of Sandy Creek. I took this to mean from the middle of Sandy Creek and established the Northwest corner of the Robert Foster Survey No. 51 North $29^{\circ} 44'$ East from the middle of Sandy Creek making the West line of said Survey No. 51, 1665.4 varas long or 15.4 varas excessive, and the North line has a bearing of South $60^{\circ} 16'$ East from this point and is 458.4 varas long making the Northeast corner 110.4 varas North $29^{\circ} 46'$ East from the Northwest corner of the Penland Survey, which is called to be a common corner with Survey No. 51, evidently this is in error on account of the shortage in the West line of the Penland Survey and I could not find the trees called for in the Foster No. 51 and the position that I put the Northeast corner of No. 51 is only 10.4 varas excessive in the East line of No. 51.

The Northeast corner of Survey No. 30 was established by turning 90° off the previously established West line of the Robert Foster Survey No. 31 at the original corner of same making the North line of Surveys 31 and 30 have a bearing of South $60^{\circ} 20'$ East and a distance of 824 varas making this corner North $29^{\circ} 44'$ East 59.7 varas from the Northwest corner of the Robert Foster Survey No. 51.

The rest of the lines were run over original corners, except that line on the North of the J. F. Carleton Survey No. 50 $\frac{1}{2}$, which has previously been established on the ground by taking courses and distances off the Northwest corner of the John Stewart Survey No. 551, and intersecting this line by a line from the Southeast corner of the Benjamin Levitt Survey

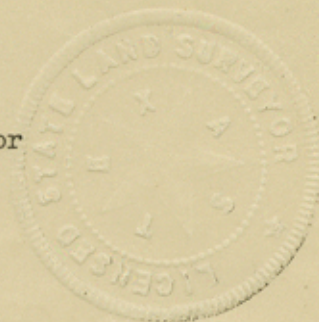
to the Southeast corner of the Lucinda Levitt Survey said line having a bearing of South 29° 21' West.

I have placed 640 acres of land in Survey 81 and 838.4 acres in Survey 82, which is a school survey as the common corners of these two surveys could not be found and I have established new corners for these surveys as reflected by my corrected field notes and plat filed herewith.

Respectfully submitted

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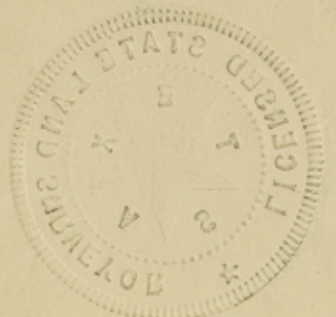
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BASCOM GILES, Com'r

Attest
File Clerk

I have placed the survey of land in survey #1 and 228 A corner
in survey #2 which is a school survey in the common corner of
these two surveys could not be found and I have relinquished my
claim for these surveys as reflected by the accompanying plat
having a bearing of South 30° 31' West.

Witness my hand
at Austin, Texas
this 3rd day of March
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