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Mr. J. Bascom Giles  
General Land Commissioner  
Austin, Texas

Dear Mr. Giles:

I have made a survey of the C. J. Strother Survey #611 in Travis County, Texas. I have also prepared corrected field notes and a map which I have designated as Plan #885 and submit same with this technical report.

According to my study, the C. J. Strother Survey #610 and #611 were attempted to be located in the year 1860 by Surveyor John E. Campbell and his field notes are on file in your office in Travis District File 3;664.

The C. J. Strother Survey #610 and the C. J. Strother Survey #611 both lie west of the Daniel J. Gilbert Survey # 8 and the greater portion of the area was made vacant due to an error in the location of the west line of the Daniel J. Gilbert Survey #8. The west line of the Daniel J. Gilbert Survey was determined by a District Court Suit in Travis County, Texas, Styled Samuels and Mosson vs. Joseph Warren, Cause #1,563. According to the judgment of this suit the west line of the Daniel J. Gilbert Survey was determined by a straight line between two known corners found upon the ground and the bearing of same was found to be S 36° 03' W. The date of this judgment appears to be November 1, 1858 and the date of a report made by L. H. Lockett, Surveyor, is on file in your office in Bastrop District File B-221 dated February 26, 1861. The Lockett report and the judgment are in harmony.

Since February 26, 1861 the location of this line has been recognized by all surveyors and adjacent land owners. The upstream corner of the Daniel J. Gilbert Survey #8 was a large Cypress

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tree in a spring on the bank of the Colorado River and it was also the downstream corner of the Albert Sillsbe Survey #1.

In the year 1869 which is eight years later than the Lockett Report, Abby Chambers, as administrator of the Thomas J. Chambers Estate, and W. C. Phillips had James R. Pace, Surveyor, made a resurvey of the Strother Survey #610 and his field notes are also on file in your office in Travis District Third Class 664. These field notes call for rock mounds and natural objects which have been known to me since the year 1915 and are shown on my Plan #885. James R. Pace in making his survey placed various rock mounds along the east line of the Sillsbee Survey and call for same in his field notes and also call for the crossing of the Mt. Bonnell Road. Two of these rock mounds are still in their original place and I have shown same on my Plan #885. The one near the Mt. Bonnell Road being designated as "A", and the one north of the rock quarry being designated as "B". I was first shown these rock mounds in the year 1915 by one of the men who assisted in the survey in 1869, therefore, I consider that these two rock mounds were the west line of the Strother Survey #610 and that the distance of 1460.0 varas would determine the location of the south corner of the Strother Survey #610 and the south corner of the Albert Sillsbe Survey #1.

From this theoretical location of the south corner of the Strother Survey #610, I ran N 30° 00' E a total distance of 3411 varas and fixed the northeast or the east corner of the Albert Sillsbe Survey. By measuring on the ground, I found that there was an error of 10.8 varas between the rock mounds at the points "A" and "B" as shown on my map but the records indicate that the north corner of the Strother Survey #610, should be 408.0 varas distant from a rock mound near the quarry as shown on the accompanying sketch at "B" and that the north line of the C. J. Strother Survey #611 is N 30° 00' E 1000.0 varas distant from the most westerly corner of the C. J. Strother Survey #610. I ran this line through the Strother Survey #611 and found that its north line was fenced in accordance with the record and that its northeast corner was S 60° 00' E 372.0 varas distant and was evidenced by fences and other improvements.

Respectfully submitted,

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325.0 acres distant and was evidenced by fences and other improvements. according to the map and that the northeast corner was S 80. 00, E the Strother Survey and found that the north line was fenced in corner REferred to MAP Survey Survey field. I ran this line through well is N 30. 00, E 1000.0 acres distant from the most westerly sketch at "B" and that the north line of the G. J. Strother Survey from a rock mound near the quarry as shown on the accompanying corner of the Strother Survey well, should be 408.0 acres distant and "B" as shown on my map but the records indicate that the north an error of 10.8 acres between the rock mounds at the points "A" Silsbee Survey. By measuring on the ground, I found that there was acres and fixed the northeast or the east corner of the Albert Strother Survey field. I ran N 30. 00, E a total distance of 3411

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who assisted in the survey in 1889, therefore, I consider that shown these rock mounds in the year 1916 by one of the men located the rock mound being designated as "B". I was first on the road being designated as "A", and the one I have shown same on my Plan #888. The two of these rock mounds are still in their place in making his survey placed various Face in making his survey placed various have been known to me since the year 1916 and are shown on my these field notes call for rock mounds and natural objects which also on file in your office in Travis District Third Class 694. made a resurvey of the Strother Survey field and his field notes are Chambers Ratske, and W. O. Phillips had James R. Pece, Surveyor, Lockett Report, Abby Chambers, as administrator of the Thomas J. In the year 1889 which is eight years later than the the downstream corner of the Albert Silsbee Survey #1. tree in a spring on the bank of the Colorado River and it was also