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Hon. J. T. Robison,
Commissioner Gen. Land Office,
Austin, Texas.

Dear Sir:-

I am sending you under another cover a transcript taken from the Deed Records and the Minutes of the Commissioners' Court of Dallas County, showing a full and complete account of the action taken by this County with reference to the establishment and correction of the boundary lines of Dallas County. And am sending this in order to furnish your Department with authentic data which will enable and authorize your Department to ^{make} such changes and corrections as this information will indicate are necessary to be made in order to properly fix said boundary lines and corners so as to conform to original surveys of said boundary lines.

I desire to particularly call your attention to the boundary line between Dallas and Denton Counties in which said line there is an apparent discrepancy which embraces a territory about one half mile in width from north to south and about eight and one half or nine miles in length from east to west. The Abstract of Land Titles issued by your Department indicates that this territory in question is located in Denton County but the Commissioners' Court of this County after careful investigation is firmly of the opinion that said strip of territory is actually located in Dallas County, if the lines as fixed and established by survey made by Mr. A. G. Walker in 1847 and survey made by Mr. W. A. Ferris in 1850 and a joint survey of the boundary line between Tarrant and Dallas Counties by Mr. J. M. Strong Surveyor for Dallas County and Mr. J. J. Goodfellow, County Surveyor of Tarrant County made in 1890, *are to control.*

This Court, however, is not offering any criticisms directed at your Department for the seeming error existing in said line but is rather of the opinion that the fault lies in the failure to forward notice of action taken by the Court in the matter of establishing these boundary lines to your Department. We have therefore had this transcript from the records prepared in order to furnish your Department with full information with reference to all boundary lines of this County, not knowing but that there may be other errors and discrepancies in other lines.

I am reliably informed that while Denton County assesses and collects taxes against the lands located within the territory heretofore mentioned, yet the Commissioners' Court of said County, so I am informed, steadfastly refuses to expend any money toward building and maintainance of roads and bridges in said territory,

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giving as its reason for not doing so that said territory is located in Dallas County and the Commissioners' Court of this County is constantly being called upon to bear the expense of building and keeping in repair the roads and bridges located in said territory. And if the lands embraced in said strip is in this County, we should be receiving the revenues derived from taxation. This cannot be done until your Department has made proper investigation and corrections showing these lands to be located in Dallas County, hence the necessity for taking the matter up with your Department at this time.

There is a further reason which is this County has recently issued \$6500,000 road bonds for the purpose of building good roads and we must of necessity ascertain the true boundary lines of the County in order to be able to know just how far we shall proceed with the construction of roads without going beyond the boundary lines of our County.

Should you desire any further information or data of any kind with reference to the matter of these boundary lines, I will take pleasure in having it furnished you.

Would respectfully request that you give this matter your careful attention as soon as you can do so.

Yours respectfully,

Cecil L. Simpson
County Judge, Dallas County.

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Dallas Co. Bdry line

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Very respectfully,
W. L. ...

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County Clerk, Dallas County

County 52186

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TRANSCRIPT OF RECORDS OF DALLAS
COUNTY.

SHOWING SURVEY AND
ESTABLISHMENT OF THE BOUNDARY
LINES OF DALLAS COUNTY.

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