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J. T. ROBISON, COMMISSIONER.  
J. H. WALKER, CHIEF CLERK.  
J. M. MELSON, CHIEF CLERK.

Messrs. Madden, Trulove Ryburn & Pipkin,  
Amarillo, Texas.  
Dear Sirs:

I have yours of the 19th Inst. with reference to the boundary line of Carson County, that is to say the line between that county and Gray. What you have reference to seems to be the line as run by Twichell.

Now, our records show that there is on file here a copy of the order of the County Court of Gray County appointing Mr. Twichell to run the boundary lines of that county. There is also on file here a copy of this notice addressed to the sheriff of Carson County notifying this county of the fact that Gray would run its county boundary lines. The copy of the notice to Carson County appears to have been served on the county judge of that county on the 23 rd of Jan. 1906 by the sheriff delivering to the county judge a copy of said citation. It does not appear, however, that when the lines between Gray and Carson Cos. were run by Mr. Twichell in accordance with this order that Carson County sent a surveyor in compliance with the statute to assist in running the lines.

Mr. Twichell's field notes are on file here and in fact it seems that the original notes signed by him are on file in this office. They show he was acting for Gray County and the survey was made from the 24th of February to the 26th of March 1906. There is attached to these field notes a certificate of the county clerk of Gray County certifying that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the original as same are on file in his office.

I do not find anything among any of the papers showing that the field notes were ever recorded in Gray County, nor that they were approved by the county court of that county as required by the statute. I do not say, however, that they were not approved by the court, but the records here do not show that any affirmative action was taken.



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It seems that the department in May of 1906 notified Mr. Twichell of the filing of the field notes of the boundary line between Gray and Carson Counties, and that the maps of these counties would be corrected to show the lines he established, and he was further advised that the abstracts of the respective counties would be corrected accordingly.

I omitted to say that there is also on file here a copy of Mr. Twichell's bond. Now, whether or not the statute has been strictly complied with I am not prepared to say, though the records here would indicate that there is further evidence required showing that the law has been complied with so as to fix permanently the boundary line.

We find there is a copy of a letter here from the county judge of Carson County to Mr. Twichell dated the 2nd of April 1906. This letter indicates that the field notes of the line had not been approved up to that time, though Mr. Gray intimated that the line would ~~be~~ no doubt, be approved and was satisfactory to Carson County. If this advice is not sufficient, let us know what other information you want and I will gladly furnish it and if you want certified copies, let us know and an estimate can be furnished before you make request for such copies.

Very truly yours,

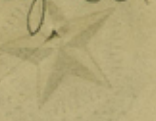
Acting Commissioner.

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Gray Co. Bdry Line



Carson + Gray  
County Boundary  
6-16-1915

with G. W. E. Kirk

County of Carson

Justice

*[Handwritten signature in purple ink]*

*[Faint, mostly illegible text, likely a legal document or court order, possibly containing the name 'Mr. Kirk' and dates like 'April 1900']*