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Marfa, Presidio Co. Texas Sept 20th, 1889.

To the Hon. County Commissioners Court of Presidio County:-

In compli-
ance with the order of your honorable court and my agreement to sur-
vey the county line between Jeff Davis and Presidio counties, I re-
paired to the place designated in the order as the point to begin
the survey to wit:-the N. W. Corner of Brewster county on the 29th,
day of August 1889 at 9 o'clock A.M. and remained there until a-
bout 1 o'clock P.M. and no one appearing to represent Jeff Davis
county, I proceeded without further delay to survey and mark the sa-
id county line as will more fully appear from the field notes
hereto attached.

As there had been some controversy as to the location of block No.
1 of Texas and Pacific Ry. Co. survey, of which block section No.
54 belongs and ~~xxxxxxx~~ and one of its corners is a point on the
county line, I took occasion to examine in the land office at Aus-
tin and also to consult the Comr of the Genl Land Office as to its
proper locality but could get nothing definite.

The difference however only amounts to a few varas and does not af-
fect the landed interest of either county as it is only a question
as to where the section corners are. I determined to take the
view of the matter heretofore contended for by Jeff Davis county
to-wit:-That said block No. 1 takes its connection from survey No.
6 in the name of A.S.Lewis and not from H.& T.C.Ry.CO block.

I therefore run from the said N.W. corner of Brewster county N. 60
West to the N.W. Corner of section No. 54 of block No.1 T.& P. Ry.
Co., as located as aforesaid, and thence west thirty miles to the
N.W. corner of No. 90 H.& T. C. which is also the S.W.corner of
No. 89 same block and the result shows that the starting point is
the same as has been accepted by the former surveys of the H. & T.
C. lands as my line checks on their corners by less than one chain

in a distance of thirty miles.

The next point to-wit:- said S.W. Corner of section No. 89 block No. 4 H. & T.C. Ry. Co. I found established and two corners of the same section marked by earth mounds and four pits. These corners I accept as correct and placed my posts accordingly; the same thing at the next angle to-wit the N.E. corner of section No. 126 of block No. 4 H. & T.C. Ry. Co.

From this last named point to the corner of El Paso county on the Rio Grande I found it necessary to determine the relative positions of the two points by running a preliminary line before putting up permanent monuments. I therefore ^{first} run a line due west 15 miles or to the mountain divide over which it is not quite practicable to chain; from this point I ran a random line to the Rio Grande and searched for the county corner as heretofore established

I found the upper corner on the river of survey No. 80 of block No. 2 T & P. Ry. Co. which corner is witnessed by a cave in the side or face of the mountain near by also by two peaks of the Eagle mountains. From this corner I ran to the lower river corner of ~~survey No. 3 from which corner the county corner of El Paso county~~
survey No. 3 from which corner the county corner of El Paso county is described as " A monument of stone and lime on the Rio Grande from which the lower corner of survey No. 1, block No. 3 made for the Texas and Pacific Railway Co. bears North west 20° 110 varas At this point I found no monument of any kind. I had been heretofore informed that it had been destroyed by flood, taking therefore my connections from No. 80 and running by the field notes of record to No. 1, block No. 3, T. & P. Ry. Co. and thence to the point in 20° West ^{W.} 110 varas for county corner, the result of running west by random showed the county of El Paso corner to be North about 1300 varas ^{of} the termination of a due west line from the last point or angle named on the line so that I changed course to run

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back 1 10 making it S 88° 50' E. Running thence from the Rio Grande S. 88° 50' East I put in monuments until reaching the point where I abandoned my west line from which point east I shifted the posts to the new line. As a general thing I ran the lines direct by front and rear flags taking meridian by Polares and did not meander the lines. In order to determine the course of the last line it was necessary to run a part of it twice, which I did 18 miles which makes 100 miles actual necessary running regardless of meanders on the River to find the corner of the county and of connections to old corners, and which number of miles I should be entitled to pay at the legal rate of three dollars per mile.

The difficulties which I met with in running this line were unusual on account of the mountainous country and scarcity of water. I put in posts or monuments except in two points, at the end of each mile, one of which is the first corner out from the river and the other in the mountain west of Viejo creek which points are inaccessible. I had put up posts at each point where the line crosses the railway (three) and built several monuments on the line on prominent points. All of which is respectfully submitted.

~~(Signature)~~ Dennis Corwin.
Surveyor.

I, Dennis Corwin, do solemnly swear that the above is a true and correct report of the survey of the county line between P Presidio and Jeff Davis counties, Texas.

Dennis Corwin Surveyor.

Sworn to before me on Sept, 24th, 1891.

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B. F. Adams,
Co. Judge Presidio Co. Tex

The State of Texas.

County of Presidio.

Before me, B.F.Adams, Co. Judge in and for

Presidio County, Texas on this day person

ally appeared Dennis Corwin known to me to be the person whose
name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument and acknowledged
to me that he executed the same for the purposes and considerations
therein expressed. Given under my hand and seal of office this
24th, day of Sept. A.D.1889.

B. F. Adams
Co. Judge Presidio Co.tx.

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Commissioners' Court Minutes, Sept. Special Term 1889 Wednesday the
25th, day of Sept.1889.

Now on this day it is the order of the court that the report of
Dennis Corwin of the survey of the Co. line between Presidio county
and Jeff Davis county be spread upon the minutes.

The State of Texas.

County of Presidio.

I, W.S.Lempert, Clerk county court in and

for said county and state do hereby cer-

tify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of
the report of the survey of the county line between Presidio coun-
ty and Jeff Davis county made by Dennis Corwin, and of the order of
the court made thereon as appears from the minutes of the commis-
sioners court of said county and state on pages 523-4-5 & 526 of
book No.2. And I do further certify that the above report is re-
corded in the minutes of said court on said pages of said book.

Witness my hand and seal of office at Marfa, Texas this the 2nd,
day of Sept. 1891.

W. S. Lempert
Clerk County Court Presidio Co. Tex.

Commissioners Court Minutes Sep. Special Term 1889 ^{Tuesday} Wednesday the
24th, day of Sept. 1889.

Now on this day came on for examination and approval the map and
field notes ^{the report of} and the survey of the county line between Presidio
County and Jeff Davis county, made by Dennis Corwin, a surveyor ap-
pointed for that purpose by this court at the August special term
1889. It appearing to the satisfaction of the court that the ~~?~~
field notes, map and report are made in accordance with the law in
such cases made and provided, it is the further order of the court
that the map and field notes be recorded in the deed records of
Presidio County, Texas, and certified copies thereof returned to
the commissioner of the general Land Office.
It is the further order of this court that the report of said sur-
vey be recorded in the minutes of this court.

The State of Texas.
County of Presidio.

I, W.S. Lempert, clerk of the county court
in and for said county and state do hereby
certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of
said order of the commissioners court and for said county and
state as the same appears from the minutes of said county commis-
sioners court of said Presidio county, Texas on page 521 of book 2
of the minutes of said commissioners court.

Witness my hand and seal of office at Marfa, Texas this the 2nd day
of September 1891.

W. S. Lempert
Clerk of the County of Presidio

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Commissioners Court Minutes Sep. Special Term 1880 Wednesday the
 24th day of Sept. 1880.

Now on this day came on for examination and approval the map and
 field notes and the survey of the county line between Presidio
 County and Jeff Davis county, made by Dennis Corwin, a surveyor ap-
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 such cases made and provided, it is the further order of the court
 that the map and field notes be recorded in the deed records of
 Presidio County, Texas, and certified copies thereof returned to
 the commissioner of the General Land Office.

may be recorded in the minutes of this court.

Presidio Co. Bdry 5 line
 Certified Copy of the
 Report of the
 Survey of the
 County Line
 Between Presidio
 County and Jeff
 Davis County
 Tex, and the order
 of Court approving
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 Filed in Genl Land
 Office Sept 9/91

Presidio Co Bdry Line 3b

Presidio Co. Line Box

of September 1881.

Witness my hand and seal of office at L. A. T. S., Texas this the 2nd day



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Commissioners Court Minutes Sep. Special Term 1889 ^{Tuesday} ~~Wednesday~~ the
24th, day of Sept. 1889.

Now on this day came on for examination and approval the map and field notes and the report of the survey of the county line between Presidio county and Jeff Davis county, made by Dennis Corwin a surveyor appointed for that purpose, by this court at the August special term 1889 . It appearing to the satisfaction of the court that the field notes , map and report are made in accordance with the law in such cases made and provided it is the further order of the court that the map and field notes be recorded in the deed records of Presidio county, Texas and certified copies thereof returned to the Commissioner of the General Land Office.

It is the further order of this court that the report of said survey be recorded in the minutes of this court.

The State of Texas.
County of Presidio.

I, W.S. Lempert, Clerk of the county court

in and for said county and state do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of said order of the commissioners court in and for said county and state as the same appears from the minutes of said county commissioners court of said Presidio County, Texas on page 521, of book 2 of the minutes of said commissioners court. Witness my hand and seal of office at Marfa, Texas this the 2nd day of Sept. 1891.

W.S. Lempert
Clerk of the County Court