

Starr Co Bdry ~~X~~ Line 44a

Field notes of the  
County line between  
Starr & Hidalgo Co.

Surveyed by ~~W. S.~~ Dougherty.

Filed Febr. 23<sup>d</sup> 1880.

Signed by Surveyor  
Hidalgo Co

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The State of Texas } Commissioners Court  
County of Hidalgo } Special Term  
October 27<sup>th</sup> A. D. 1879.

Be it remembered that there was begun  
and holden a special Term of the  
County Commissioners Court for  
Hidalgo County on this the 27<sup>th</sup> day  
of October A. D. 1879, Court was  
opened by proclamation by the Sheriff  
at the Court House door

Present, Hon. Thaddeus, M. Rhader  
County Judge

Wm. P. Langhuff clerk

J. L. Sheriff

Manuel Kingford Co. Commis<sup>er</sup>

Manuel Heala " " "

Podoro Mungrin " " "

Whereupon amongst other proceedings  
the following were had to wit  
(Extract)

" Whereas it is provided by an act, entitled an  
" act establishing and prescribing the manner  
" of ascertaining the boundary of Counties passed  
" by the sixteenth Legislature of the State of  
" Texas, and approved April 22/879, General  
" law of the regular session of the sixteenth  
" Legislature of 1879 on page 137, and  
" Whereas in conformity with said act  
" aforesaid, it has been made known to the  
" satisfaction of this Court that the  
" boundary line between the Counties of

"Hidalgo and Starr have not been suffi-  
"cient, ~~definite~~ definite and well defined,  
"nor has the same been surveyed according  
"to law, Therefore it is hereby ordered by  
"this Court, that James L. Langherty be  
"appointed surveyor in accordance with  
"with said act aforesaid, upon his comp-  
"liance in taking the oath of office as  
"prescribed by law for County Surveyors,  
"before entering upon the prescribed by said  
"act aforesaid, and enter into bond with  
"two or more securities in the sum of One  
"Thousand dollars, payable to the County  
"Judge or his successor in office, and  
"approved by this Court, Condition for  
"the faithful performance of his  
"duties, The duties of said surveyor  
"shall be to ascertain by actual  
"survey the boundary or any part  
"thereof of said county, and to make  
"and to establish the line and  
"corners as prescribed by said act  
"aforesaid. It is further ordered by  
"this Court, that the surveyor shall  
"begin to run said County line  
"between said Counties of Hidalgo,  
"and Starr on the margin of the Rio  
"Grande at the Rancho Las Cuevas

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" at the point formerly dividing the  
" ancient Jurisdiction of the Towns  
" of Reynora and Carmago, thence  
" to run north twenty five degrees  
" east, so as to intersect the South  
" line of Kness County, defined in  
" article 3.866 P. S. vol 2, that the  
" corner to be established and marked  
" shall in all things conform to the  
" laws defining the boundaries of  
" said County, That the field notes of  
" the survey of the line herein ordered  
" to be surveyed, by the surveyor  
" shall give an accurate description  
" of all prominent natural objects  
" crossed by or adjacent to said line  
" as well as of the corners, and line  
" of survey on or near said boundaries  
" and to make due return of the  
" field notes and maps to this Court  
" and to comply in all things, and  
" in the manner required in said  
" act aforesaid, and it is further  
" ordered that James L. Laugherty  
" Surveyor hereby appointed shall  
" proceed and commence said  
" survey on said dividing line  
" between the Counties aforesaid

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" on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of November A. D. 1879  
" at a place where a post is set on the  
" main road from the town of  
" Hidalgo to Rio Grande City, which  
" post is marked on the West side  
" N<sup>o</sup>. 100, "C" and on the East side  
" marked N<sup>o</sup>. 38 "R" which post  
" denoting the jurisdiction of the  
" portions of Bernalillo and  
" Reynosa. It is further ordered  
" that the clerk of this Court transmit  
" by mail to the County Commission  
" Court of Starr County a certified  
" copy of these proceedings. . . . .  
" The Bond of James S. Daugherty  
" being presented to the Court, and  
" the Court being satisfied therewith,  
" the same was approved

The State of Texas  
County of Hidalgo J. Wm. P. Daugherty  
Clerk of the County Court, and Ex-officio  
Clerk of the County Commission  
Court in and for said County, of  
Hidalgo, do hereby certify that the  
foregoing proceeding had in the  
County Commission Court as therein  
set forth, is a true and correct copy  
thereof, taken from the minutes of said  
Court from pages 74, 75 and 76.

To Certify which witness my  
hand and the seal of said  
Court this 11<sup>th</sup> day of February 1880  
Wm. P. Daugherty  
C. C. C. and Ex-officio Clerk of  
County Commission Court  
Hidalgo County Texas

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The State of Texas } County Commissioners Court  
County of Hidalgo } Special Term Jan 20<sup>th</sup> 1880

Be it remembered that there was  
begun and holden a special Term  
of the County Commissioners Court  
in and for said County of Hidalgo  
on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of January A.D.  
1880 - Court was opened  
by proclamation by the Sheriff  
at the Court house door thereof  
Present

Hon. Shadams M. Rhader

County Judge

Wm. P. Dougherty Clerk

A. J. Led Sheriff

Manuel Heala County Co

Manuel Kinford " " "

Whereupon amongst other proceedings  
the following were had  
"Extract"

The Surveyor James L. Dougherty  
having presented to this court the  
survey of the County line between  
Hidalgo County and Starr, together  
with his report on the same, and  
the court having examined the same  
and found correct, It is ordered that  
said Field notes of said survey

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and Report and map be recorded by  
the clerk in the minutes of this Court  
and a certified copy of the same  
be forwarded to the Commissioner  
of the Land Office, and the  
original be filed by the clerk in  
his office - - - - -

The State of Texas  
County of Hidalgo

J. Wm. P. Dougherty

Clerk County Court and Ex-officio  
Clerk of the County Commissioners  
Court in and for said County  
of Hidalgo, do hereby certify that  
the foregoing proceedings, had in  
the County Commissioners Court  
as therein set forth, is a true and  
correct copy thereof, taken from the  
minutes of said Court from  
pages 85.

To Certify which witness my  
hand and the seal of said  
Court this 11th day of February  
A. D. 1880

Wm. P. Dougherty  
Clerk County Court and  
Ex-officio Clerk of the County  
Commissioners Court  
Hidalgo County Texas

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Hidalgo, January 15<sup>th</sup> 1880  
To The Hon. Commissioners Court  
of Hidalgo County, Texas  
Gentlemen

I have the honor to report to your Hon. body that in conformity of your Order issued October 27<sup>th</sup> 1879. I repaired to Las Cuevas, on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of November 1879, and there met J. C. Civet, Surveyor of Starr County.

We then, proceeded to the margins of the Rio Grande, to a place, where, the original jurisdiction, of the Towns of Reynosa and Camargo, on this side of said river began, from which place we ran the line as far as the main road. It being impossible to continue the line at that time, on account of having been unable to obtain laborers to continue the line we adjourned the work to the 1<sup>st</sup> day of December, at which time everything would be ready to continue the work.

On the 1<sup>st</sup> of December. I repaired to Las Cuevas, in Company of Andres Salinas

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who represented J. C. Ewert, and the  
Line was continued from that  
day till January 7<sup>th</sup> 1880, when it  
was completed.

Not having in my possession the Field  
notes of Porciones n<sup>os</sup> 38, 39 and 40. I  
am unable to state the quantity of land  
situated in this County. Of "Los  
Maqueyes, about  $\frac{1}{3}$  of the amount remains  
in this County, of "Los Guajes" tract  
all, but a small fraction.

From this on to the end of the line,  
several tracts of Land were crossed by the  
County Line; but, I am unable to  
make correct statements of the quantity  
of Land, remaining in this County  
such as "El Venadito" Santa Cruz  
San Jose" El Rusio' Ignacio Peña's  
and a vast amount of vacant lands  
traversed by the line, on which are  
some Locations, All field notes, and  
maps, of which are not registered in my  
Office, as these lands were surveyed  
by the Surveyors of Starr County.

Only three streams of water were  
crossed by the line, namely. Palo  
Blanco, and Mesquit, creeks, salty tri-  
butaries of Loma Blanca Lagoon.

and the Olmos creek

The whole distance surveyed from  
The margin of the Rio Grande to the  
place where said Line made corner  
with the County line of Pecos  
County is 143,765 varas, or 75 miles  
665 varas.

All of which, is respectfully  
submitted.

J. L. Dougherty  
Specie Surveyor

Starr Co. Survey line # 41a

The State of Texas }  
County of Hidalgo }

Field notes of the  
County Line, between Hidalgo and Starr  
Counties, surveyed as per order of the  
Hon. Commissioners Court of Hidalgo  
County.

Said Line was begun on the 25<sup>th</sup> day  
of November A. D. 1879

Beginning at the margin of the Rio  
Grande, at a place where Porcion  
N<sup>o</sup> 100, and Porcion N<sup>o</sup> 38, begin, it  
being the S. E. Corner of said Porcion  
N<sup>o</sup> 100, of the jurisdiction of Camargo  
and S. W. Corner of Porcion  
N<sup>o</sup> 38 of the jurisdiction of Reynosa

This two Porciones, being the initial  
point, between the ancient jurisdiction  
of Camargo and Reynosa on this side  
of the Rio Grande

Thence	running North 25° East
At	302 varas. S. side of Las Cuevas Lake
	882 " N. side of said Lake & main Road. Set Post
	920 " Top of highest hill mtd H. C. S. S.
	1500 " Left hills & entered level ground -
	1900 " Set 1 <sup>st</sup> mile Post, mtd H. I. S
	3800 " " 2 <sup>nd</sup> " " " 2 "

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- 5700 varas 3<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> miles Post br'd'd I.I. 3- S. Chaparral  
 " 6300 " Laguna de Contra el Monte  
 " 7600 " P. N<sup>o</sup> 4. br'd'd I.I. 4- S-  
 " 9500 " " 5 " " 5 S  
 9720 " Charco - El Melado-  
 11400 " P N<sup>o</sup> 6 I.I 6- S  
 13000 " An Abra - 300 vs wide  
 13300 " P. N<sup>o</sup> 7- I.I. 7 S-  
 14100 " Road from Las Cuevas to San Ramon  
 14720 " Monte raso  
 14900 " An abra - 200 vs wide -  
 15100 " Entered thick Chapparal  
 15200 " Set Post N<sup>o</sup> 8. I.I. S  
 17100 " " " " 9 " "  
 19000 " " " " 10 " "  
 20600 " An abra  
 20900 " P. N<sup>o</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> br'd I.I. S  
 21360 varas Rd from Salado to Tepeguapost <sup>to left abra & entered monte</sup> Nueva Cadereña,  
 22800 " P. N<sup>o</sup> 12<sup>th</sup> br'd'd I.I. S-  
 23200 " Llano de la Joya-  
 24700 " P N<sup>o</sup> 13<sup>th</sup> I.I 13 S  
 26030 " to today line of maguay tract 25320<sup>vs</sup> W. of <sup>to</sup> S<sup>th</sup> W. C  
 26100 " Plan de La Joya-  
 26600 " P N<sup>o</sup> 14<sup>th</sup> I.I. S-  
 27472 " Rd from Penitas to San Ramon  
 28500 " P N<sup>o</sup> 15<sup>th</sup> I.I S. on plan de los maguays  
 28700 " Alto de los maguays, 160 vs W. of Corral Cuereño  
 29500 " Entered Freequital

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Shawco. Bldg. line 44 a

- At 30400 varas P. N<sup>o</sup> 16 I-I S
- " 32300 " " " 17 " "
- " 32900 " Left mesquite & entered an abra of Limzal & c
- " 34200 " P. N<sup>o</sup> 18. h'da I-I S
- " 34890 " Passed b'dry line of magueyes & Guajistract.
- 35600 " An Alto
- 36100 " P. N<sup>o</sup> 19 h'd I-I S. on a Pan. <sup>Mesquite</sup> left abra & entered
- 38110 " " " 20 " " 20 "
- 39900 " " " 21 " 21 -
- 40260 " Entered an abra of under brush.
- ✓ 40690 " to N. b'dry line of Guajes & S. line of Venadito 1626 varas <sup>from N. W. E. of Guajes</sup>
- 41800 " P. N<sup>o</sup> 22. h'da I-I 22 S.
- 42200 " Left abra & entered thick monte & hupalera
- 42600 " Alto de Patitos
- 43600 " Charco de Costillas
- 43700 " P. N<sup>o</sup> 23. h'da I-I 23 S
- 44200 " to a redamadero
- 44400 " left " " & entered thick <sup>choparral</sup> hupalera &
- 45600 " P. N<sup>o</sup> 24. h'da I-I 24 S
- 47100 " Alto de las mestenas - an Ebony mottle
- 47400 " R'd from Davis to Salt Lake
- 47500 " P. N<sup>o</sup> 25 h'da I-I 25 S
- 47900 " opposite Charco de la mestena 800 <sup>Line</sup> E of
- 48400 varas. 500 <sup>Line</sup> E of a labor. & 1000 varas E from <sup>Recho of Las Mestenas</sup>
- 48872 " to N. b'dry line of Venadito & ditto S. of Santa Cruz <sup>S 125 varas E of Post. m'da</sup>
- 49400 " P. N<sup>o</sup> 26 h'da I-I - 26 S -
- 50200 " Abra de Agua Sarca, 200 varas wide
- 50600 " Alto Colorado

- Oct 57300 P. N<sup>o</sup> 27 H. 27 S  
 " 51500 varas. left mequital & entered a small prairie  
 " 52100 " Altos, or Mezanos of Agua Sarca  
 " 52680 rd from Cuevas to San Ramon  
 " 52900 " recrossed same rd.  
 " 53000 " " " & entered mequital (rd here run. P. N<sup>o</sup> 28  
 " 53200 " P. N<sup>o</sup> 28 br'de H. 28 S. } mequital razos  
 " 55100 " " 29 " H. 29 S. } and some high hills  
 " 57000 " " 30 " " 30 " - - - - -  
 " 57185 rd from San Jose to Nopalera - runs S. E -  
 " 58750 " " Sal Colorado to Sal del Rey " "  
 " 58900 " P. N<sup>o</sup> 31 br'de H. 31 S.  
 " 59100 " to a mogote (mote) called Cigarrera, 400 varas  
 " 59700 " " " " " Javelin " "  
 " 60100 " Entered a small prairie  
 " 60800 " P. N<sup>o</sup> 32. H. 32 S.  
 " 61000 " to a mogote (mote)  
 " 61400 " left same & entered mequital razos  
 " 61636 " rd from Santa Cruz to San Ramon - runs S. E  
 " 62628 " " " San Jose de arriba to San Ramon runs S. E  
 " 62700 " P. N<sup>o</sup> 33 br'de H. 33 S  
 " 64600 " " 34 " " 34 " entered prairie  
 " 65800 " Altos de la Noria de las Casas " "  
 " 66500 " P. N<sup>o</sup> 35 br'de H. 35 S. - - - - -  
 " 68400 " " 36 " " 36 " - - - - -  
 " 70300 " " 37 " " 37 - - - - -  
 " 70900 " Opposite R<sup>cho</sup> Las Viejas. 1/2 mile E of line  
 " 72200 " P. N<sup>o</sup> 38 br'de H. 38 S.  
 " 74100 " " 39 " " 39 "

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- Alt. 75400 varas rd from El Rucio to the Rio Grande
- 75900 " Pto L. O. Mottles 1<sup>st</sup> W. of line, 600 vrs - the other E. 600 } called Las Encinas
- 76000 " P N<sup>o</sup> 40 br'dd FI 40 S
- 77900 " " 41 " " 41 "
- 78100 " Arroyo de las Vacas 50 v wide
- 78395 " a Post on line, cor. of some lands
- 78700 " to Laguna de las Cuatras
- (79800) 79800 " P N<sup>o</sup> 42, br'dd FI, 42 S
- 80200 " Opposite R<sup>cho</sup> de las Russias 1/2 E line
- 81700 " P. N<sup>o</sup> 43 br'dd FI 43 S
- 83600 " " 44 " " 44 "
- 85500 " " 45 " " 45 "
- 86300 " opposite Mezquite del hindero. 73 vrs W. of line  
500 - 5000
- 86600 " passed Manuel Perez R<sup>cho</sup> E of line 900 vrs. & El Rio Villavieja N. of line
- 87400 " Post N<sup>o</sup> 46 br'dd FI 46 S, & entered Mera de S<sup>ta</sup> Francisca
- 88900 " rd from Gonzaleña to Russias, runs S. S. E -
- 89300 " P N<sup>o</sup> 47 br'dd FI. 47 S
- 91200 " " 48 " " 48 -
- 93100 " " " 49 " 49 -
- 93875 " rd from Gonzaleña to Loma Blanca, runs E. N. E
- 93900 " Left Mera & entered Prairie
- 95000 " P N<sup>o</sup> 50 br'dd FI. 50 S
- 96900 " " " 51 " " 51 "
- 98800 " " " 52 " " 52 -
- 99800 " a L. O. mottle E of line -
- 100200 " Entered Encinal Belt -
- 100460 " to N. br'dy line of Chapala Land. - 258700<sup>+</sup> W. of Refugio R<sup>cho</sup>
- 100700 " P N<sup>o</sup> 53, br'dd FI, 53. S

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- Atm 102600 v<sup>2</sup> T. N<sup>o</sup> 54 brd<sup>d</sup> I-I 54 S'
- " 104500 " " 55 " " 55 "
- " 106400 " Entred Encinal rago & Abras
- " 106400 " P N<sup>o</sup> 56 I-I 56 S
- " 108300 " " 57 " 57 "
- 110200 " " 58 " 58 "
- 112100 " " 59 " 58 "
- 114000 " " 60 " 60 "
- 115900 " " 61 " 61 "
- 117800 " " 62 " 62 "
- 119300 " A Lagoon of water 400 v<sup>2</sup> wide
- 119700 " P N<sup>o</sup> 63 brd<sup>d</sup> I-I 63 S'
- 121600 " P N<sup>o</sup> 64 brd<sup>d</sup> I-I 64 S, Entred prairie of <sup>S Encinal</sup> Guahapedel
- 123500 " " 65 " 65 "
- 125400 " " 66 " 66 "
- 127300 " " 67 " 67 "
- 128400 v<sup>2</sup> N 88 1/2 E 980 to S.W.C. of Loma Blanca Tract
- 128620 " Palo Blanco creek tributary of <sup>" in</sup> Loma B. Lagoon
- 129200 " P N<sup>o</sup> 68 brd<sup>d</sup> I-I 68 S - Thick Chaparral
- 130800 " Mesquite Creek, a series of small lagoons passed by line, meeting <sub>a distance of 18000 -</sub>
- 131100 " P N<sup>o</sup> 69 brd<sup>d</sup> I-I 69 S
- 132100 " Left Lagoon
- 133000 " P N<sup>o</sup> 70 brd<sup>d</sup> I-I 70 S
- 134900 " " 71 " 71 "
- 135700 " rd from Loma Blanca to ~~Los Olmos~~
- 136800 " P N<sup>o</sup> 72 brd<sup>d</sup> I-I 72 S, <sup>Caballo</sup> Laguna de los
- 138700 " " N<sup>o</sup> 73 brd<sup>d</sup> I-I 73 S in labor of Eligio Perez - <sub>(field)</sub>
- 138840 " To Arroyo de los Olmos
- 140600 " P N<sup>o</sup> 74 brd<sup>d</sup> I-I 74 S

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At 140800 varas crossed Laguna Larga

" 142500 " P. No 75. br'd I. 75 S.

And " 143165. To Nueces County Line, where set a large mesquit Post, branded thus - on North side - N-C for Nueces County, - on the South side "County Line. 75 1/3 miles" and on the S. E. side. "H-C for Hidalgo County and on the S. W. side "S-C for Starr County,

Intersected the South boundary line of Nueces County, at 1095 varas East of a Post branded on North side "N" on the East side "3" and on the South side "H" — and 1840 varas. W of another Post on said Nueces Line branded on the North side "N" and on the South side "H" — said post is on <sup>the Hidalgo road</sup> side of Coppus

James C. Dougherty  
Special Surveyor.  
State of Texas

The State of Texas }  
County of Hidalgo }

I, James C. Dougherty  
clerk of the County Court in and for  
the County of Hidalgo, and state  
aforesaid, do hereby certify that  
the foregoing report and field notes  
and measurements of the dividing line

between Hidalgo and Starr Counties  
has been duly recorded in the Minutes of the County  
Commissioners Court in and for the County of  
Hidalgo on pages 85, 6, 7, 8, 9, and 90

In testimony whereof witness my  
hand and Seal of Office at Hidalgo, this  
21<sup>st</sup> day of January A.D. 1880

Wm P Dougherty

C. C. H. Co. Texas

Report, and field notes of Hidalgo and  
Starr County Line.

Filed on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of  
January 1880 -

Wm P Dougherty

C. C. C. H. Co. Tex

The State of Texas }  
County of Hidalgo }

I Wm P Dougherty, clerk of the  
County Court, and Ex-officio Clerk of the  
County Commissioners Court in and for  
said County of Hidalgo, do hereby certify that  
The foregoing Field notes, and map of the boundary  
dividing line between the Counties of Hidalgo &  
Starr, is a true and correct copy thereof taken from the  
original Field notes and map now on file in my Office.

To certify which witness my hand and the  
Seal of said Court this 17<sup>th</sup> day of February  
A.D. 1880

Wm P Dougherty  
Clerk C. C. and ex-officio clerk of  
County Commissioners Court  
Hidalgo County

# STARR COUNTY.

# HIDALGO CO.

## COUNTY LINE

Between the Counties  
of  
Hidalgo and Starr

J. L. Doughter 15

June 20<sup>th</sup> 1880

Filed February 23<sup>d</sup> 1880.

Rhoads Fisher,  
Chf. Clk

Approved by Surveyor  
Hidalgo Co.

