JIM HOGG COUNTY ROLLED SKETCH NO. 13

Correspondence



Relation to Map on.J.T.Robison, Austin,Texas, Dear Sir:-

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I am at present working on the connection lines of the boundaries of Jim Hogg county, and making the ties from section corners etc., to the county line, and while at this work would like to have your opinion on the enclosed letter and maps, which the commissioners of Jim Hogg have tendered me that I may rear un the east line of the county at its south easter part, mainly that part where the line letves the south east corner of the "Animas" treat, where I run S 120W along the west boundaries of surveys 720,719,666 a S. F.R.R.Co., to the south west corner of survey 719. Thence I run West 500 varas to the north west corner of the "La Blance" and along the east bdry, line of Sta. Teress," to the south line of Brooks county north line of Starr.

In this work, that is the running of the above lines we did not encounter the corners of the above mentined section s, except the pile of rocks the north east dor., of San Rafael south east corner of Unimas, and a large stone pillar loose on ground , along the west line of the La Blanca tract, possibly N.E.Cor., of the Sta Peresa Grant, althous little too far north of where it should be. "

I ran this line just as field notes to surrounding Surveys called for and by the vonting sketch you sent me, which has one of your maps of Brooks county, with the notations for the lines and corners etc., In the prints I am serving you, and letter from Miss Kelsey, she claims her east fence line as the true boundary of her San Rafael grant; the commissioners of Jim Hogg, have advised me to run the line as claimed by her, but I wont your opinion on same before I do so. Her fence lines run as shown in these prints, and seconding to the surveyor of Starr County Mr. Monroe, it appears that the Surveys, 719, 720, are null and void, as they claim the La Blanca tract & vers these.

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Hon. J. T. Robison, ustin, Texas,

Jear Sir:-In another letter Lonention enclosing maps etc., to a certain part of Jim Hogg, county, but as most of the lines in the maps are in red ink. I could not make prints from them, so I am enclosing them herein, together with Mrs.Kelsey's appeal to the Commissioners of Jim Hogg, county, and copies in Spanish of her titles to the San Mafaels grants.

I am sending this matter to you that you may compare it with what you have in the land office, and give me an opinion on same.

She calls attention to offset, designated by letters "c"-"d", being north west corner of La Blanca, that it does not exist, or called for in Fatent, but that from N.W.Cor., of La Blanca lines run to S.E.Cor., of inimas.

Kindly give this matter your sttention and return the same to me as I am instructed to return it to the Commrs., as soon as thru' with it.

Thanking you in advance for your advice on this affair, I am, Yours truly,

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Hon. J.T.Robison, Austin, Texas,

Dear Sir:-

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Dear Sir:-Some days ago 1 wrote and enclosed some maps and data concern-ing Mrs.Kelsy's lands in the south eastern part of Jim Hogg County, re-lative to which, we wished to know your opinion as to which line to follow.Your answer was sent to me at "ebbronville, but in some way the letter was misl id and could not find it so am still in the dark concerning your advice on this subject. Will you kindly wire me at my Expense care JudgeBrumfield, t Hebbronville, what your opinion regarding thich line to follow was? I will appreciate it if you will wire on receipt of this as my outfit will be at Hebbronville but a few days and want this informa-tion before they leave.I wanted to know whether I should follow Mrs. Kelseys fence line, or go according to the map and field notes sent me by the land office.

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October 23, 1913.

Mr. E. J. Foster, Surveyor Webb County, Laredo, Texas. Dear Sir:-

Your two favors of the 23rd ultimo received with stated enclosures pertaining to the true east boundary of Jim Hogg County, near its S E corner. Delay in answering same could not be avoided in consequence of crowded condition of the Drafting Department.

I have carefully investigated all the old titles field notes, plats and maps on file in this office affecting the eastern boundary lines of the two San Rafaels and Santa Tersese Grants that form the western boundary line of La Blanca Grant. Hence, the east boundary line of Jim Hogg County should continue in a southern course from the S E corner of Las Animas grant with common boundary lines of the above mentioned grants to the intersection with the south boundary line of Brooks County for the S E corner of Jim Hogg County.

East evening under separate cover I returned to you all the plats, field notes and copies in Spanish.

Yours truly,

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The State of Texas) County of Starr

County of Starr / To Mr. R. H. McCampbell, Presiding Officer of the Commissioners to organize Jim Hogg County, Hebbronville,

Texas.

Dear Sir:

I beg to call your attention and the attention of the Commissioners of which you are designated as the Presiding Officer and Chairman in the Bill creating Jim Hogg County to that part of the East line of said county which crosses the San Rafael Grant owned by me.

By the Bill creating said county it is set out as "Beginning on the South Line of Brooks County at a point on the division line between the La Blanca and Santa Teresa Grants", which I have designated at the point "a", and "Thence Northerly with the La Blanca Grant to its Northwest corner". "Thence East to the Southwest corner of Survey No. 719 G. C. & S. F. Ry. Co". "Thence Northeasterly with the West Line of Surveys 719 and 720 to the Southeast corner of the Las Animas Grant". The corners established by said line being designated by the letters c, d and e on the map hereto attached.

The line so run, being the red line as designated in said plat, is the East line of my two San Rafael Grants as called for in the patents, except the offset designated on plat by the letters cd, the patent field notes calling for this line to run from c to e, but which offset is called for in the Bill creating said county.

I beg to call your attention to the fact that the line ef as set out on said plat is and has always been known and recognized as the true East lines of the said two San Rafael Grants, and my deceased husband. John P. Kelsey, in his life time, about thirty years ago ran his fence along this line from e to f as the East line of the original Grants and he, my said deceased husband. during his life time and I since his death have been using, occupying, claiming and holding said land as so fenced up to the present date, and the owners of the La Blanca Grant have at all times recognized my fence as so run as being the West line of the La Blanca Grant. The second call in the field notes as set out in the Bill states "Thence Northerly with the La Blanca Grant to its Northwest corner. As the line ef is known and recognized and as called for in the Grant to be the West line of the La Blanca then the East line of Jim Hogg County should follow this line being along my East fence.

The Beginning point of the survey of Jim Hogg County should have been at the point g being on the original West boundary line of the said La Blanca Grant, as called for in the original Grant.

If this line is followed in a Northerly direction from the point g it will pass by the true Southeast corner of the San Rafael Grant and continue in the same course along my fence which is the true East line of the San Rafael Grants it will throw all my land in Jim Hogg County which no doubt was the evident intention of the Legislature, otherwise a large portion of my said two grants will remain in Brooks County, and which necessarily will cause me great trouble and confusion in assessing and paying my taxes in the two counties, and will force me to have the land surveyed to ascertain the quantity of land remaining in Brooks County.

I therefore most respectfully and earnestly protest against the location of the East line of Jim Hogg County as hereinbefore set out and as now located, and appeal to your Honorable Body that said line be located along the East line of the original grants of the said two San Rafaels from g to e as designated in said plat hereto attached, and thereby placing all of my land in the San Rafael Grants in Jim Hogg County.

I hereby attach the plat hereinbefore set out, marked "Exhibit A". A plat marked "Exhibit B" showing the exact location of the La Blanca and San Rafael Grants and adjoining grants as to the original grants as actually surveyed on the ground and as shown from established and well recognized corners.

A certified copy of the La Blanca Grant marked "Exhibit C." A certified copy of the San Rafael Grant marked "Exhibit D", and a certified copy of the Las Animas Grant marked "Exhibit E", which certified copies are hereto attached for the purpose of showing the exact location of these Grants with reference to each other as originally located, and especially the Northeast corner of the San Rafael Grant, which is also the Northwest corner of the La Blanca and the Southeast corner of the Las Animas Grants, and each and all of which I pray to be made a part hereof. County to be made a part hereof.

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I further request that this my protest against establishing the East line of Jim Hogg County as hereinbefore set out be made a part of your proceedings as provided in Section 3 in the Bill creating the said County of Jim Hogg.

> Respectfully submitted, A. C. KELSEY

Rio Grande City, Texas. Sept. 9th, 1913.

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I, J. & mourse, Bound, Surveyor of Stars County, Terres, do hereby certify that the dotted lines on the foregoing map were actually surveyed and cut out by me are that the distances and courses as shown are correct and that the corners are as shown on the ground. Surveyed in May, 1907 5cale I in - 1000 varas J. S. Monde Surveyed in May 1907 Co. Surveyor, Star Co., Tep.

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Exhibit B.

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Map showing the connections and corners between the san Rafael Grants and adjoining Grants





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