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Red River 3d Class

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Edward P Sims

320 Acres

See remarks and  
in documents on old wraps  
inside

CERTIFICATE No. 1479

original Grantee

Patented Nov. 17/68

no 364 vol 37

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April 22, 1860

Jessup

Mgl. 1666

A. B. Vol. P.

Republic of Texas }  
County of Nacogdoches }

No 44  
Class 3

Edward P Sims is entitled to three hundred and twenty acres  
of land by virtue of certificate No 44 dated 5<sup>th</sup> April 1839  
granted to him by the board of land commissioners for the  
County of Nacogdoches he having proved to us that he has  
resided in the Republic three years and performed all  
the duties required of him as a citizen

Given under our hands  
at Nacogdoches 20<sup>th</sup> Aug 1841

Wm Hitt C. J. U.S.  
Ex officio P.B. & C.

Jas M. Watkins Associate  
7 Court

Attest

W Arnold Clerk, C.C.  
Ex officio, C.B. & C.

for Value Received I Lawrence assign and let  
over the Claim this Certificate gives me  
to James Harris. authorizing the Said James  
Harris to do and perform all and Every thing necessary  
to be done to obtain a patent to Said Land giv-  
ing to the Said Harris Here or assigns my full and  
Complete power and authority over the same  
for ever Ratifying all the Saidful acts at the  
Said Harris in procuring a patent to the  
within 320 Acres of Land for him self heirs &c  
the Said power to be and stand --

Irrevocable - any Law to the contrary not  
withstanding Given under my hand and  
Seal in presence of the under Signed Witn-  
-esses this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of February A.D. 1844

C. D. Harris

C. D. Harris

Edward S. Harris  
Seal

Levi Jordan  
William Quins  
Barre Stone

by  
William Harris

W. M. Harris

RED RIVER 3  
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The State of Texas } Personally appeared before  
County of Titus } M. R. Hallbrook A Notary  
Public in and for Titus County and State of  
Texas. ~~affida~~ E. St. Sims one of the subscribers  
-ing witnesses to the <sup>assignment</sup> ~~assignment~~ attached Land Certif-  
-icate no 77, Chap 3. Said assignment dated  
22<sup>d</sup> day of February 1854, and being duly sworn  
according to law sayeth that he saw Mr. Sims  
sign his own name and Edward Sims to said  
assignment, and that Mr. Sims was duly authorized  
to sign E. St. Sims name to said Instrument.

In witness of which I sign my name and  
witness my official seal of  
office this 4<sup>th</sup> August 1854

R. J. Hallbrook  
Notary Public  
for Titus Co 240

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Red River & Co

Unconditional Certificate

Edw! P. Jones

320 Acres

Transfer (No. 1) to the land

State of Texas } Known all men by these  
County of Hunt } presence that I Jas Norris  
of the State and county aforesaid for the full  
consideration of Three hundred Dollars to  
me in hand paid the receipt whereof I hereby  
acknowledge have this day sold & by these  
presence do sell bargain relinquish and  
deliver <sup>and transfer</sup> unto <sup>headquarters of 88th Regt, 11th Div, 3rd Corps</sup> W. H. Hays his administrators  
or assigns the within certificate of land  
for three hundred and twenty acres of land  
land an Township and Granting said W. H. Hays  
all Right Title and power to I have in obtaining  
ing a patent on said certificate given  
under my hand and <sup>Seal</sup> seal being used  
as a seal This Feb the 5<sup>th</sup> 1855-

done in presence of us

A. M. M. Brewer }

James H. Norris }  
his  
Mort

Philip H. Norris

The State of Texas } Before me R. H. Holbrook, A  
County of Titus } Notary Public in and for this  
County and State of Texas, Personally appeared  
~~James Morris~~ Phillips H. Morris one of the Subscribers  
= being Mr. Morris to the within transfer to a \$20  
Acres land Certificate, bearing date 8<sup>th</sup> July 1855  
and after being duly sworn according to law  
Saying that he knew J. H. Morris sign the same  
for the purposes and Consideration therein  
set forth

In witness of which  
I sign my name and  
Impress my official Seal of  
office this 9<sup>th</sup> day July 1855

R. H. Holbrook  
Notary Public  
Titus Co Texas

The State of Texas &  
County of Tarrant

J. Thornhill  
Clerk of the County Court and  
Recorder in and for said  
County of Tarrant in the State  
of Texas do hereby  
certify that the within and attached  
certificates W. E. Plims. together with  
a transfer of same to Morris and  
two certificates of Proof accompanying  
the same, also a ~~2<sup>nd</sup>~~ <sup>1<sup>st</sup></sup> transfer  
from J. Morris to W. E. Plims and  
two certificates of Proof accompanying  
the same all hereto attached  
were by me duly and correctly  
recorded in my office in  
Record Book F. pages. 431-  
432 & 433 & 434 on the 12<sup>th</sup> day  
of February A.D. 1855 at 3  
o'clock P.M.

Given under my  
hand and seal of  
office at Ft Worth  
on this the 12<sup>th</sup> day  
of February 1855  
J. Thornhill  
Clerk

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Almond. Cat 520  
Edwin. P. Sims

E. P. Sims by  
William Sims  
J. B. Trunep  
James Norris  
N. G. Jo  
W. G. Suggs

Filed April 18 1866  
Refiled in G. H. Office  
August 18 1866

Certificate  
of  
E. P. Sims  
Transferred  
to  
James Norris  
to  
W. G. Suggs

Filed for Record  
on the 12<sup>th</sup> of Feb  
1865 - at 2 o'clock  
Chas. W. Hill  
Clerk  
L. C.

Filed in Office Oct  
26<sup>th</sup> 1865

Wm. Christian  
Recorder

Paid

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Scale of 5000 Feet per Inch  
Republic of Texas  
County of Tarrant

A Survey of  
320 acres of Land for James  
Morris Assignee of Edward T. Sims  
By virtue of Certificate No 14 then last issued  
by the board of Land Com<sup>r</sup> for the County of Tarrant  
this and dated the 5<sup>th</sup> day of April 1839

for 320 acres of Land  
Situated <sup>in Tarrant County</sup> on the Waters of Plum Creek that runs  
into Cypress and about 11 miles S 77° W from Mount Pleasant

Beginning at Black Jack N 30° W 2 rods m. J. N.  
Another Sapling N 81° W m. X 3 rods  
Thence W 13 1/4 rods to a Stake post N 50° E 11 rods  
Another N 50° E 10 rods marked X

Thence North <sup>at 300 rods the N E corner of J. T. W. owns 320 acre survey</sup> 13 1/4 rods Stake Black Oak S 12°  
E 4 rods marked J. N. Another S 50° E 13 1/2 rods.  
m. X — Thence East 13 1/4 rods to a  
Stake Black Jack S 83° W 5 rods m. J. N.

Thence South 13 1/4 rods to the Beginning  
Henry Beckstaff } N 55° E }  
Ezra Kial Handman } J. N. Sims City

Surveyed April 19. 1844 S. R. R. City  
I do certify that I have carefully examined the  
 foregoing plat and field notes and find them  
 correct and made according to law done  
 at Clarksville this the 24<sup>th</sup> day of Aug  
 1844

J. N. Sims City Sur.  
R. H. City

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New River 3<sup>d</sup> Chap

Field notes 320 acres  
Edw. P. Smith

Filed April 28<sup>th</sup> 1846.

Correct our maps in Titus Co.  
August 18/60. W. M. H. H. H. H. H.

Patented Nov 17 1868  
Gilliland

— 525 —

James Morris  
ack. of E. P. Smith  
Gilliland and Julia notes  
320 acres of land  
Examined & Recorded  
This 20<sup>th</sup> Aug —  
1846

Edw. Smith & Co  
in note

Republic of Texas }  
County of Red River }

Scale 400 yds to the inch

A survey of 320 acres of land  
for James Norris agent of Edward P. Sims  
by virtue of Cert No 14 third class issued by the Board  
of Land Commissioners for the County of Kaeogelsches, dated the 5<sup>th</sup> day of April  
1839 for 320 acres of land. Situated on the waters of Blumdelles  
creek, that runs into Cypress. Beginning at a black jack N 30 W 2 1/2  
mils JN, another sapling N 81 W x. 3 vars  
Thence West 1344 vars to a stake a post oak N 54 E 11 v another N 50 E  
10 v mils x.

Thence North 1344 v to a stake a black oak S 42 E 4 v mils JN another  
S 5 E. 13 1/2 vars x.

Thence East 1344 v to a stake black jack S 83 W 5 v m JN

Thence South 1344 v the beginning. Surveyed April 19<sup>th</sup> 1844

Henry Bickelstaff

E. Henstall

J. W. Sims Cty Sur R.R.C.

I do certify that I have examined the foregoing plat and field notes, and  
find them correct, and made according to land

Done at Clarksville this 26<sup>th</sup> day of August 1844

J. W. Sims Cty Sur R.R.C.

I William D. Orr District Surveyor Red River District hereby certify that the above  
and foregoing is a full true and complete transcript and copy of the  
field notes of a survey of 320 acres made for James Norris upon the  
head right Certificate of Edward P. Sims, as the same do appears of  
Record in my Office. being Recorded in Office Book E of sale  
Office on page 388.

Given under my hand at Office Clarksville

February the 22<sup>d</sup> 1856.

William D. Orr District  
Surveyor Red River District

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Red River 3<sup>d</sup> copy

Copy of Field Notes.

Edw. P. Sims

Filed April 1<sup>st</sup> 1856.

Cancelled by the original set!

Red River 3<sup>d</sup> class  
Field Notes  
3<sup>d</sup> copy  
Edw. P. Sims by  
Virginia James Henry

The State of Tex. Personally appeared  
County of Tarrant before me

James Norris who  
declares under oath that he has lost or misplaced  
the conditional certificate of Edwin T. Jones  
for three hundred and twenty acres. Issued  
by the board of Land commissioners of  
Tarrant County and that the same  
cannot be found. Given under my hand  
this the 6th day of May A D 1854

Wm. B. Brady

James Norris  
his X mark

James Brady

Subscribed and sworn to

before me on this 6th day of May 1854

Subscribed and sworn to

at the County Seat of Tarrant County

State of Texas

in presence of

this the 6th day of May 1854

John W. Miller

James Brady

4 Feb 24  
 R. River S. C. C.  
 App. ant. of the C.  
 of East. C. C. C.  
 C. du R. River

The above is a copy of the  
 original of the above  
 and is not to be used  
 as a copy of the original  
 and is not to be used  
 as a copy of the original



on the 24th of February  
 1884

The above is a copy of the  
 original of the above  
 and is not to be used  
 as a copy of the original  
 and is not to be used  
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**L**OST.—The head right certificate, issued by the board of land commissioners, for Nacogdoches co, to Edwin P. Sims, for 320 acres of land, No. 14; issued April 5, 1839, if the same is not found in the time specified by law I apply to the proper authorities for a duplicate.

MAT. F. SIMS.

Crockett, Oct. 10 '55-90d-43.

3-24 R.R.

State of Texas, } Before me the  
Houston County } undersigned author  
= ity this day personally appeared

Oscar Dalton, Editor and proprietor of the Crockett  
Printer, a news paper published in the Town of Crockett  
who being duly sworn says that the above attached  
Notice, has been published in said news paper  
for ninety days successively previous to this  
date.



Sworn to and subscribed before me this  
19<sup>th</sup> January 1856. = Given under  
my hand and seal of my office, date  
above written.

J. A. Gillespie  
Ck. C. Ct. H. Co.

Oscar Dalton  
Ed. "Printer"

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Red River 3<sup>rd</sup> day.

Affidavit of Publs

Edmundo P. Sims

Filed April 1<sup>st</sup> 1856.



State of Texas. } Before me the undersigned authority  
Hester County } This day personally appeared  
Mat H. Sims. to me well known, who being duly  
sworn says that he is the just owner of the claim  
of Edwin P. Sims. for three hundred and twenty  
acres of Land. by Certificate No 14. issued by the  
Board of Land Commissioners of Tarrant County  
to said Edwin P. Sims. ~~dated~~ April  
5<sup>th</sup> 1839. that he has never sold allimated  
or transferred the same in any manner. that  
it has been <sup>lost</sup> and that since ~~lost~~ he has neither  
known or heard of the same.

Sworn to and Subscribed before me this  
19<sup>th</sup> day of January 1856.

Given under my hand and Seal of  
Office at Crockett date above.

J. H. Gillespie  
Ck. Co. Ct. H. Co.

Mat H. Sims

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Affidavit of M. F. Sims  
Ownership & Loss

Edwin. P. Sims

Filed April 1<sup>st</sup> 1856.



The State of Texas  
County of Teras } Be it remembered that at a Term  
of the District Court begun and  
holden at Mount Pleasant within and for  
the County of Teras on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of October  
AD 1836 the following cause came on  
for Trial and the following Order was  
made Therein To wit:

"Mat F Sims }  
vs } In this cause comes the Defendant and  
William S Suggs } files his written Motion, praying an order  
requiring the Commission of the General Land Office, to  
forward to the Clerk of the District Court of Teras County  
the Head Right Certificate of Edward F Sims for Three Acres  
and one and one fourth acres of Land, issued by the Board  
of Land Commissioners of Teras County, dated  
the day of AD 1836 together with all  
the transfers and endorsements thereon or annexed  
thereto and the Court being fully satisfied that said  
Original Certificate and endorsements thereon or thereto  
are important to Defendants defence in this suit  
that the same may be inspected in open Court upon the  
Trial of the above entitled cause. It is therefore  
ordered by the Court that the Commission of the  
General Land Office, forward to, and deposit with  
the Clerk of this Court, said Certificate with the  
transfers and endorsements thereto attached, to  
be used upon said Trial and that a  
copy of this order issue to said Commission  
for his observance"

*[Faint, illegible handwriting, likely bleed-through from the reverse side of the page. The text is mirrored and difficult to decipher.]*

The State of Texas  
County of Titus } J. William H. Christian  
Clerk of the District Court  
in and for the County of Titus State of said  
do certify that the annexed and foregoing  
is a true copy of the original orders  
as appears of Record in my office  
made by the District Court of Titus  
County Texas on the 30th day of  
October A D 1836 in the case of Mat  
T. Simms vs William B. Suggs -



Given under my hand and the Seal  
of the District Court of Titus County  
Texas in pursuance of this 30th day  
of September A D 1837

J. W. H. Christian Clerk  
Dist Court Titus County

7 Feb. 24. No 434  
 Recd. Regis. 3<sup>d</sup> cl. 3  
Wm. H. Jones

W  
Mrs. Suggs

Order to Commission  
 Genl Land Office

Certificate with same  
 sent on back forward  
 to the C. R. Dist. Court  
 Illinois County, in Accordance  
 with within mandate  
 Oct. 11<sup>th</sup> 1857.

S. Crockett  
 J. S.

Greenville December the 26<sup>th</sup> A.D 1853

Commissioner of the General Land office

Giv I have a survey of 320 acres of land surveyed  
on the headright certificate of Edwin P. Sims I hereby  
authorize you to deliver the certificate and field notes for the  
said survey to Heon, Hardin, Heat as I wish to lift the  
same yours respectfully

Wm B  
James B. Brady }  
Martin D. Heat }

James Morris

Site 24 Red River 33

The claim cannot be lifted without  
good and sufficient cause being  
shown therefor - If it conflicts  
with older surveys and the fact is  
shown or with titled or patented lands  
it can be lifted - at present the  
cond<sup>e</sup> cert & a sketch from the sur-  
veyor of Titus County is all that  
is wanting

8 Feb 24.  
Red River Idclup

Letter from J. Norris  
Greenrith Dec 26 '53.

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Edw. J. Sims

— 320 Ans —

3<sup>rd</sup> Titus County on Blundill's Cr.  
but not on map. Jan. 4/54  
B. W. Prepler

and  
Conditional Certificate  
not in Office — Apr. 28/54.  
Affidavit of it lost filed

See letter within  
& remarks thereon

Hudson Stark  
Act

MS 244

M'g'l 1666.

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Red River 3<sup>rd</sup> Chap

Edw. P. Lewis

320 Pms

In remarks on old envelope  
within

Correction map in Titus Co.  
August 18/60. W. Van Meter.

Patent to the original  
M. C. L.

Patented Nov 17/1868

There is a  
Gilliland

These are the same as the  
original map of the  
Gilliland

These are the same as the  
original map of the  
Gilliland

Over  
100 by E. Van Meter 1/227

Map 16/66. M. C. L.

Testified copy of the  
billed notes taken, copy  
as to date of filing -

for Mr. D. Rogers

Under the Certificate  
with transcripts as  
in back of record  
to the clerk of the  
Mass. Court of Titles  
Court 18<sup>th</sup> Oct 57 -  
Dec 45, and also of  
Court notes -  
to be on file in the  
Court of Titles

Witnessed by 10/57

1<sup>st</sup> deposited by E. Noddie B. 1/22/27

1<sup>st</sup> deposited in name of

Sam Morris in T.B. May 10/54  
See also Mat. 7. Luns deposit  
in T.B. Jan'y 28<sup>th</sup> 1856