

File SF 14849

Abst.#1090

Live Oak County

## SCHOOL LAND

J. G. Riser 501560

Beeville, Texas  
(Good Faith Claimant)

MEG

6-2-49

99.30 Acres

Section No.

Block

Tsp.

Cert.

SEE LIVE OAK R.L.D. SK # 6

Act of June 19, 1939

CORRECT ON MAY FOR 99.30 ACRES

MAY 28th 49 W. H. Shinniff

Map Mk'd. Ptd.

approved as to 1/2 and valued  
by the Commissioner of the School  
Land Board at \$5.00 per acre.  
June 21, 1949

REQ. MK'D. PTD.

Baron Giles, Comr.

Patent to original with map  
Obligation 7-22-49 Completed

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J. G. Riser

Beeville, Texas

Paid in full for  
99.3 ac 7-25-49 C.F.C.



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# APPLICATION TO PURCHASE

(Good Faith Claimant)

TO THE COMMISSIONER OF THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE, AUSTIN, TEXAS:

1. I hereby apply to purchase under a preference right without condition of settlement the tract of unsurveyed school land hereinafter described, under the provisions of an Act approved June 19, 1939, and other laws relating to the sale of unsurveyed school land.

2. The said tract of land is situated in Live Oak County, Texas, about 14 miles South West from George West, the county seat, and is described as follows, to-wit:

Bounded on the West by the east boundary of the C. Q. Ragland Survey No. 334; on the North by the center line of the Public Road between sections 99 and 100 at the Simmons Subdivision; on the east by the west boundary of the G. C. & S. F. R. R. Co. Survey No. 399 and on the south by the lower north line of said Survey No. 399.

3. I am a good faith claimant under the terms of said Act, as is fully shown by the attached instruments marked Exhibit.

4. Remarks:\*

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BEEVILLE TEXAS

24032-733-2107

Secretary of the School Land Board

Austin, Texas:

Given under my hand this 21 day of

day of

Good Faith Claimant

Dollars per acre, all of which is shown in Vol.

Post Office

Beeville, Texas

in the above application No. 328, shall be sold as fixed by the School Land Board at

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## IMPORTANT NOTICE!

- \*NOTE: (1) The Good Faith Claimant should clearly indicate his position as to the existence of a vacancy.  
(2) If there should be no prior filing by an applicant, the good faith claimant should state whether application is accompanied by field notes or whether same will be filed within 120 days from date of filing of application with Commissioner of General Land Office.  
(3) Any other statement pertinent to the application to purchase may be included.

(OVER)



(OVER)

(3) Any other statement pertinent to the application to purchase may be included.

**CERTIFICATE**

date of filing of application with Commissioner of General Land Office.

I, H. C. Bishop, Secretary of the School Land Board, do hereby certify that at a regular meeting of said board held in the General Land Office, Austin, Texas, on the 21 day of June, A. D. 1949, the price at which the area of land described

in the above application No. 5814845, shall be sold, was fixed by the School Land Board at

Dollars per acre, all of which is shown in Vol. 6, Page       , of the Minutes of said Board.

Given under my hand this 21 day of June, A. D. 1949, at Austin, Texas.

H. C. Bishop  
Secretary of the School Land Board

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\$1.00  
Reg. # 3282  
10-7-47  
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**GENERAL LAND OFFICE**  
Austin, Texas

S. F. No. 14849

**APPLICATION TO PURCHASE  
UNSURVEYED SCHOOL LAND**  
(Good Faith Claimant)

of J. I. Riser  
Beville, Texas.

**WITHOUT SETTLEMENT**

99.30 acres  
in Live Oak County, Texas.

Filed October 7, 1947  
Bascom Giles  
Commissioner

Approved June 21, 1949  
Rejected  
Bascom Giles  
Commissioner

as follows, to-wit:

South West from George West the county seat, and is described  
as Live Oak County, Texas, about 14 miles

other laws relating to the sale of unsurveyed school land.

I hereby apply to purchase under a preference right without condition of settlement the tract of unsurveyed school land hereinafter described, under the provisions of an Act approved June 19, 1939, and

TO THE COMMISSIONER OF THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE, AUSTIN, TEXAS:

(Good Faith Claimant)

**APPLICATION TO PURCHASE**

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Date \_\_\_\_\_ 194\_

Hon. Bascom Giles  
Land Commissioner

Dear Sir:

Attached is \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Dollars,

Cash		fees
Check	to cover	interest on the following:
Draft		rental

*S F 14849*

3282

*Cash 1.00*

Please mail receipt  
copies  
statement

to Mr. *J. S. Riser*  
Street *Box 560*  
City *Beesville*  
Order by \_\_\_\_\_  
Street \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_

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October 8, 1947

Mr. J. G. Riser  
Box 560  
Beeville, Texas

Dear Mr. Riser:

*Handwritten: Filed 10-10-47*  
Your Good Faith Claimant application to purchase alleged unsurveyed land in Live Oak County was filed of record in the General Land Office on October 7, 1947, and assigned file number SF 14849. Under the law, 120 days are allowed for the completion of a Good Faith Claimant's application. All supporting instruments must be presented within this period.

Sincerely yours,

BASCOM GILES, COMMISSIONER  
OF THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE

*Handwritten: 9*  
Campbell:ts  
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File No. 8.3.14849

Live Oak County

Chas. H. G. [Signature]

Filed 10-8-1929

BASCOM GILES, Com'r

File Clerk

Your Good Faith Claimant application to purchase alleged unswayed land in Live Oak County was filed of record in the General Land Office on October 7, 1927, and assigned file number 87 14849. Under the law, 120 days are allowed for the completion of a Good Faith Claimant's application. All supporting statements must be presented within this period.

Sincerely yours,

BASCOM GILES, COMMISSIONER  
OF THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE

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File - 87 14849

Dear Mr. [Signature]:  
Beaville, Texas  
Box 580  
Mr. J. G. Riser

October 8, 1927



SECTION 399 BLOCK 4043 CERTIFICATE 4043 GRANTEE G.C. & S.F.R.R.CO. COUNTY LIVE OAK FILE NO. SF 14849

In addition to the information furnished in application to purchase and field notes, the following is required:

(This information should be forwarded with your application to purchase.)

1. Kind of soil and topography of surface and purpose for which it is adapted--agricultural or grazing.  
Grey sandy land and rolling, adapted to agricultural and grazing purposes.
2. Type and value of timber, if any. None
3. Assessed value. (If not rendered for taxation, give last assessed value of adjoining lands.)  
\$5.00 per acre for the past twenty years.
4. Surveyor's estimate of actual value without improvements, per acre.  
\$5.00 per acre.
5. Claimant's estimate of actual value without improvements, per acre.  
Normal times value without any improvements \$5.00 per acre
6. Distance and direction from nearest oil or gas field, naming the field. About 6 Miles South & East from The Ezzell Oil Field.
7. Distance and direction from nearest oil or gas well producing or capable of producing oil or gas in commercial quantities.  
2500 varas South 40 1/2 Degrees East
8. Distance and direction from nearest drilling oil well.  
7 Mi. North 17 Degrees West
9. Distance and direction from nearest dry hole.  
1/2 Mile North of nearest dry hole; Next nearest dry hole 8/10 Mile West.
10. Is the land under oil and gas lease? If so state the amount of cash paid, rate of royalty, drilling obligation and to whom leased.  
The land is not leased and is not under an oil and gas lease.

(If there is oil or gas production on this tract, kindly give the following information.)

- (a) Number of producing oil wells and depth from which they produce. None
- (b) Number of producing gas wells and depth from which they produce. None
- (c) Name of Field in which the tract is located and how long producing.

NONE

I certify that the above information is true and correct according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

WITNESS my hand this 18th. day of October, A.D., 1947.

J.G. RISER,



In addition to the information furnished in application to purchase and field notes, the following is required: (This information should be forwarded with your application to purchase.)

1. Kind of soil and topography of surface and purpose for which it is adapted--agricultural or grazing.
2. Type and value of timber, if any.

3. Assessed value. (If not rendered for taxation, give last assessed value of adjoining lands.)

4. Surveyor's estimate of actual value without improvements, per acre.

5. Lessor's estimate of actual value without improvements, per acre.

6. Distance and direction from nearest oil or gas field, bearing, field.

7. Distance and direction from nearest oil or gas well, bearing, field.

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8. Distance and direction from nearest drilling oil well.

9. Distance and direction from nearest dry hole.

10. Is the land under oil and gas lease? If so state the amount of cash paid, rate of royalty, drilling obligation and to whom leased.

(If there is oil or gas production on this tract, kindly give the following information.)

(a) Number of producing oil wells and depth from which they produce.

(b) Number of producing gas wells and depth from which they produce.

(c) Name of field in which the tract is located and how long producing.

I certify that the above information is true and correct according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

WITNESS my hand this 18th day of October, 1947.

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J. G. RISER



STATE OF TEXAS, |

COUNTY OF BEE | BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, a Notary Public in and for the aforesaid State and County on this day personally appeared before me, J.G. Riser, known to me to be a credible citizen of Live Oak County, Texas, who upon his oath deposes and says as follows to-wit:

My name is J.G. Riser, I am over the age of 21 years; I have resided in Live Oak County for over 40 years. I purchased from Mr. W.T. Watson and wife, Madera Alice Watson, that certain 160 acres of land situated wholly within the County of Live Oak and State of Texas, being known and designated as farm tract No 3972 in Block 100 of the Dr. Chas. F. Simmons Nueces River Farm Tract Subdivision in Live Oak County, Texas. Said farm tract containing 160 acres of land. I purchased this 160 acres of land in 2 eighty (80) acre tracts by two different deeds; the first 80 acres being the east one-half of farm tract No. 3972, Block 100 of said subdivision, was conveyed to me by said W.T. Watson and wife, Madera Alice Watson, joined by their son Harold Watson and wife Velma Watson on November 2, A.D. 1934, as shown of record by a Warranty Deed of that date recorded in Vol. 51 on page 594-595 of the deed records of Live Oak County, Texas, and in describing the said 80 acres, the deed recited that the said land was composed of and out of the original G.C. & S.F. R.R. Co. Survey No. 399, Abstract 866 but being known and described and designated as the most eastern 80 acres of the east one-half of farm tract No. 3972, Block 100 of the Dr. Chas. F. Simmons Nueces River Farm tract subdivision and being known as the W.T. Watson place; the second 80 acres of the land was sold and conveyed to me on November 4, A.D. 1935, by said Madera Alice Watson, acting with the permission and in accordance with the order of the District Court of Live Oak County, Texas; the said 80 acres being described in the said deed as the west one-half of the farm tract 100 of the Dr. Chas F. Simmons Neuces River Farm tract subdivision of record in said county being fully described in that certain deed from E.L. Riser to Madera Alice Watson dated November 13, 1933, recorded in Volume 48, pages 426 et seq of the Deed Records of Live Oak County, Texas. The Warranty deed referred to from said Madera Alice Watson to me, dated November 4, A.D., 1935, is of record in Volume 57 on page 476 of the deed records of Live Oak County, Texas. This 160 acre tract of land was sold and conveyed by C.E. Bryson and wife, Jessie Bryson to W.T. Watson by deed dated March 14, A.D., 1913 and shown of record in Volume "S" at page 479 of the deed records of Live Oak County, Texas. The said deed to W.T. Watson describes the said 160 acres of land as being 40 acres out of State Survey 334 and 120 acres out of the G.C. & S.F.R.R. Co. survey No. 399 being farm tract No. 3972 in farm block 100. Said W.T. Watson and wife, Madera Alice Watson executed a deed of trust on this land to the Federal Land Bank of Houston on June 24, A.D. 1925. This federal land bank loan being known as Loan No. 42082 on the records of the Federal Land Bank of Houston, Houston, Texas.

Mr. & Mrs. Watson furnished an abstract of title to the said 160 acre tract of land to the Federal Land Bank which was examined and approved by the Federal Land Bank before the loan was closed at that time.

At the time I purchased this land I had the abstract of title to the same examined and approved before I accepted the title thereto. Also, I hunted this land up on the General Land Office map as well as the original map or plat of the Dr. Chas. F. Simmons Nueces River Farm Tract Subdivision which was prepared by S.L. Chalk, surveyor, which map is on file and of record in the County Clerk's office of Live Oak County, Texas.

I purchased this land in good faith relying upon the title as being good and merchantable, believing at all times that the said farm tract No. 3972 in block 100 contained 160 acres of land and being composed of 40 acres out of the C.Q. Ragland survey 334 abstract 776 and 120 acres out of the G.C. & S.F.R.R. Co. survey No. 399, abstract 866; both of which surveys having been previously titled and sold by the State of Texas by Patent No. 54, Volume 100, July 11, 1887 to Jno. W. Mackay, Assignee of the G.C. & S.F.R.R. Co. by virtue of land scrip No. 4043 issued by the Commissioner of the General Land Office to the said G.C. & S.F.R.R. Co. and Patent No. 384, Volume 15, April 1, 1896 to C.Q. Ragland by virtue of certificate No. 2. This said 160 acre farm tract was surveyed and fenced off to it's self with a barb-wire fence of not less than 3 barb-wires with posts set in the ground about 15 feet apart along the recognized boundaries of said 160 acres of land about the year 1913. This land has been under a good lawful fence ever since. After I purchased and went into possession of this farm tract I had the land surveyed on the ground by a good licensed surveyor.



Seen thereafter repaired the fences and put in new post entirely surrounding this land on the said boundaries thereto and have continuously kept the fences in a good state of repair with the fence post set in the ground not more than 12 feet apart and not less than 4 barb-wires.

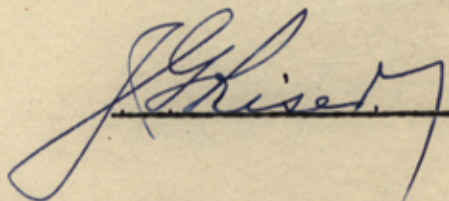
In addition to the good fences inclosing this land I have put most of it into cultivation for the purpose of farming and grazing cattle thereon. All of the land has been used strictly for that purpose to my certain knowledge since 1925.

The said farm tract is claimed by me and my family as a part of our homestead. No part of this land has been used for exploring for oil or removing any oil, gas or any other minerals.

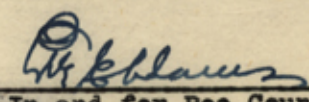
All of this land has been in my possession, used and occupied by me since I purchased the same in 1935, which is more than 10 years and I have paid all taxes assessed against the land in good faith claiming and believing I was the owner thereof all that time. I own all of the land adjoining this land to the south and east which is being used strictly for agricultural purposes, grazing cattle and farming. Under similar circumstances as I have already stated none of the land adjoining this land in any direction is being used for exploring for oil or removing oil therefrom.

The proximity of the nearest oil or gas well producing in commercial quantities is 2500 varas N. 40 $\frac{1}{2}$  deg. W. So far as I knew said producing wells are producing only gas distillate.

The original maps to both of the said surveys, the C.Q. Ragland survey 334 and G.C. & S.F.R.R. Co, survey 399 prepared and drawn by the County surveyor back in 1887 and 1896 portray these two surveys as adjoining each other and in all good faith I do believe that I am the owner of the said 160 acres and that the same is composed of a part of and out of said surveys.

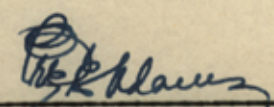
  
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Subscribed and sworn to before me by J.G. Riser on this the 27th. day of October A.D. 1947.

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public  
In and for Bee County, Texas  
Lee E. Adams

STATE OF TEXAS, |  
COUNTY OF BEE | BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority a Notary Public in and for the  
aforesaid State and County, on this day personally appeared J.G. Riser, known to me  
to be the person whose name is subscribed to the fore-going instrument and acknowledged  
to me that he acknowledged the same for the purpose and consideration therein expressed.

Given under my hand and seal of office on this the 27th. day of October, A.D., 1947.

  
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Notary Public  
In and for Bee County, Texas.  
Lee E. Adams.

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Notary Public  
In and for Bee County, Texas.  
Lee E. Adams

Given under my hand and seal of office on this the 27th day of October, A.D., 1947.

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COUNTY OF BEE | BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, Notary Public in and for the  
STATE OF TEXAS, |

Lee E. Adams  
Notary Public  
In and for Bee County, Texas

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*[Signature]*

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G.O. & S.F.R.R. Co. survey 322 prepared and drawn by the County surveyor back in  
The original maps both of the said surveys, the G.O. Bagland survey 324 and

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Consolidated  
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any other minerals. part of this land has been used for exploring for oil or removing any oil, gas or  
The said farm tract is claimed by me and my family as a part of our homestead. No  
has been used strictly for that purpose to my certain knowledge since 1935.  
In addition to the good fences inclosing this land I have put most of it into  
cultivation for the purpose of farming and grazing cattle thereon. All of the land  
and not less than 4 bar-wires. Seen thereafter repaired the fences and put in new post entirely surrounding this

*[Handwritten mark]*



THE STATE OF TEXAS,        ) (  
COUNTY OF LIVE OAK.        ) )

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: THAT WE, Josie Bryson, joined herein by my husband C. E. Bryson, of the County of Live Oak State of Texas for and in consideration of the sum of Four Thousand (\$4000.00) Dollars to us paid and secured to be paid by W. T. Watson as follows:

THREE THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED (\$3,400.00) dollars cash the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged and confessed and the execution and delivery of one certain promissory Vendor's Lien Note, of even date herewith for the sum of six Hundred (\$600.00) dollars and due on or before the 14th day of March 1918 and bearing interest at the rate of eight 8% per cent per annum from date until maturity, and at the rate of ten 10% per cent per annum from maturity until paid interest payable annually as it accrues, have GRANTED SOLD AND CONVEYED, and by these presents do GRANT SELL AND CONVEY unto the said W.T.Watson, of the County of Live Oak State of Texas, all that certain tract or parcel of land lying and being situated in the County of Live Oak and State of Texas, containing 160 acres of land original Grantee, State Survey No. 334, 40 acres G.C. & S.F.R.R. Survey No. 399,- 120 acres being farm tract No 3972, in Farm Block No 100 and bounded by metes and bounds as follows:

Beginning at the N.E. Corner of Farm tract No 3971; Thence North 2625 feet; Thence W. 2655 feet; Thence South 2625 feet; Thence <sup>E</sup>/2655 feet; to the place of beginning. As shown on the map of the subdivision of Dr. Chas. F. Simmon's Nueces River Farm prepared by S.L. Chalk, and on file in the office of the Clerk of the County Court of Live Oak County, Texas, to which reference is here made.

This being the same land conveyed by Jno. W. Fitzhugh and Lula Fitzhugh, to Thomas A. Goodwin by deed dated May 15th, 1908, and recorded in Volume "O" at page 469, Deed Records of Live Oak



County, Texas, and transferred by Thomas, A. Goodwin, and Martha A. Goodwin to Jose Bryson by deed dated November 14th 1910, and recorded in Volume "Q" at pages 414-415, Deed Records of Live Oak County, Texas.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD, the above described premises together with all and singular the rights and appurtenances thereto in anywise belonging unto the said W. T. Watson his heirs and assigns forever, and we do hereby bind ourselves our heirs executors and administrators to WARRANT AND FOREVER DEFEND, all and singular the said premises unto the said W/T. Watson, his heirs and assigns against every person whomsoever lawfully claiming or to claim the same or any part thereof.

But it is expressly agreed and stipulated that the Vendor's Lien is retained against the above described property premises and improvements until the above described note and all interest thereon are fully paid according to their face and tenor effect and reading when this deed shall become absolute.

Witness our hands at Simmons Texas, this 14th day of March, A.D. 1913.

C.C. Bryson.

Witnessess at request of Grantor: Josie Bryson.

A.J. Wilson.....

THE STATE OF TEXAS )

COUNTY OF LIVE OAK ) BEFORE ME, F. T. McNeil, J.P. & Ex-officio  
Notary Public in and for Live Oak County, Texas, on this day personally appeared C. E. Bryson, 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 consideration therein expressed.

Given under my hand and seal of office this the 14th day of March A.D. 1913.

(SEAL)

F.T. McNeil J.P. & Ex-Officio,  
Notary Public in and for Live Oak  
County, Texas,



THE STATE OF TEXAS,     )  
COUNTY OF LIVE OAK     )     BEFORE ME, F. T. McNeil J. P. & Ex-  
Officio Notary Public in and for Live Oak County, Texas, on this  
day personally appeared Josie Bryson wife of the said C.E. Bryson,  
known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the fore-  
going instrument, and having been examined by me privily and apart  
from her husband and having the same fully explained to her, she,  
the said Josie Bryson, acknowledged such instrument to be her act  
and deed and declared that she had willingly signed the same for  
the purposes and consideration therein expressed, and that she  
did not wish to retract it.

Given under my hand and seal of office on the 14 day of March  
1913.

(Seal)

F. T. McNeil     J.P. & Ex-Officio  
Notary Public in and for Live Oak  
County, Texas.

Filed for record in my office on the 27th day of March 1913  
at 2 o'clock P.M. and duly recorded on this the 11th day of April  
1913 at 4 o'clock P.M.

E. L. Riser

Clerk County Court Live Oak  
County, Texas.

THE STATE OF TEXAS,     |  
COUNTY OF LIVE OAK.     |

I, C. W. Kendall, Clerk of the County Court in and for Live  
Oak County, Texas, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing  
is a true and correct copy of Deed executed by C. E. Bryon et ux  
to W. T. Watson, as same appears of record in Volume S, Page 479,  
Deed Records of Live Oak County, Texas.

WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL OF OFFICE, This the 23rd day of  
October A.D. 1947.

C. W. Kendall

C. W. Kendall, Clerk of the  
County Court in and for  
Live Oak County, Texas.



C. W. Kendall, Clerk of the  
County Court in and for  
Live Oak County, Texas.

*C. W. Kendall*

October A. D. 1917.

WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL OF OFFICE, This the 23rd day of

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to W. T. Watson, as same appears of record in Volume 2, Page 479,  
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Oak County, Texas, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing  
I, C. W. Kendall, Clerk of the County Court in and for Live

COUNTY OF LIVE OAK.  
THE STATE OF TEXAS.

Clerk County Court Live Oak  
County, Texas.

E. L. Riser

1913 at 4 o'clock P. M.  
at 2 o'clock P. M. and duly recorded on this the 11th day of

Filed for record in my office on the 27th day of March 1913

GENERAL LAND OFFICE

Notary Public in and for Live Oak  
County, Texas.

J. P. & Ex-Officio

F. T. McNeil

Gave under hand and seal of office on the 14 day of March

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from her husband and having the same fully explained to her, she,

going instrument, and having been examined by me privily and apart

known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the fore-

day personally appeared Josie Bryson wife of the said C. E. Bryson,

Office Notary Public in and for Live Oak County, Texas, on this

COUNTY OF LIVE OAK ) BEFORE ME, F. T. McNeil J. P. & Ex-

THE STATE OF TEXAS, )

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*C. W. Kendall*  
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THE STATE OF TEXAS :  
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COUNTY OF LIVE OAK :

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: That MADORA ALICE WATSON, a resident of Live Oak County, Texas, temporarily residing in the State of Oklahoma, not joined herein by her husband, but acting under permission and order of the District Court of Live Oak County in accordance with decree entered in cause No. 2941, Ex Parte MADORA ALICE WATSON, in consideration of the sum of Seven Hundred & No/100 (\$700.00) Dollars, Three Hundred & No/100 (\$300.00) Dollars of which has been paid in cash by J. G. RISER of Live Oak County, Texas, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, and the balance of Four Hundred & No/100 (\$400.00) Dollars being evidenced by a certain Vendor's Lien Note executed by the said J. G. RISER, payable to the order of MADORA ALICE WATSON of even date herewith and payable Two Hundred & No/100 (\$200.00) Dollars on or before six (6) months from date and the balance of Two Hundred & No/100 (\$200.00) Dollars payable on or before one (1) year from date, bearing interest at the rate of six (6%) per cent per annum and containing the usual clauses for acceleration of maturity and ten (10%) per cent attorney's fees; and the further consideration that the said J. G. RISER assumes and promises to pay the balance on that certain indebtedness in favor of the Federal Land Bank of Houston, originally in the principal sum of Fifteen Hundred & No/100 (\$1500.00) Dollars and secured by a first lien on the hereinafter described property;

Has GRANTED, SOLD and CONVEYED and by these presents does GRANT, SELL and CONVEY unto the said J. G. RISER of Live Oak County, Texas, all that certain tract of land lying and situated in the County of Live Oak, State of Texas, described as follows:

The West half (W.  $\frac{1}{2}$ ) of Farm Tract 3972, in Block 100, of the Dr. Chas. F. Simmons Nueces River Farm Subdivision of lands in Live Oak County, Texas, as shown by map or plat of said Subdivision of record in said County, to which reference is here made; said lands being fully described in that certain deed from E. L. RISER to MADORA ALICE WATSON, dated Nov. 13, 1933, recorded in volume 48, pages 426, et seq., Deed Records of Live Oak County, Texas.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the above described premises, together with all and singular the rights and appurtenances thereto and in anywise belonging, unto the said J. G. RISER, his heirs and assigns forever; the said MADORA ALICE WATSON does hereby bind herself, her heirs, executors and administrators to warrant and forever defend all and singular the said premises unto the said J. G. RISER, his heirs and assigns, against every person whomsoever, lawfully claiming or to claim the same, or any part thereof.

BUT IT IS EXPRESSLY AGREED AND STIPULATED, that the Vendor's Lien is retained against the above described property until the above described note, and all interest thereon, is fully paid, according to its face, tenor and reading, when this deed shall become absolute.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, witness the signature of MADORA ALICE WATSON this 4th day of November, 1935.

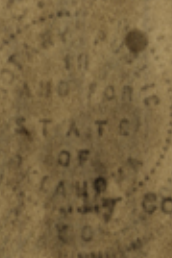
*Madora Alice Watson*  
Acting with the permission and in accordance with the order of the District Court of Live Oak County, Texas.



THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA :  
BECKHAM :  
COUNTY OF ~~BECKHAM~~ :

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared MADORA ALICE WATSON, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged to me that she executed the same for the purposes and consideration therein expressed, acting as a feme sole with the permission and under the order of the District Court of Live Oak County, Texas, entered in cause No. 2941, EX PARTE MADORA ALICE WATSON; and I certify that she was examined by me privily and apart from her husband, and that I fully explained the instrument to her and she acknowledged such instrument to be her act and deed, and declared that she had willingly signed the same for the purposes and consideration therein expressed, and that she did not wish to retract it.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL OF OFFICE, this 5 day of November A.D. 1935.



M. C. Thomas  
Notary Public in and for Beckham County, Oklahoma.  
Commission expires Mar 15-1939.

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THE STATE OF TEXAS, |  
COUNTY OF LIVE OAK | I, C.W.KENDALL, Clerk of the County Court, in and  
for Live Oak County, Texas, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing  
Photostatic Copy of the original Warranty Deed executed by Madora Alice Watson  
to J.G.Riser is a true and correct copy of said deed as same appears of record  
in Volume 57 on page 476 of the Deed Records of Live Oak County, Texas.

WITNESSE my hand and seal of the County Court of said County at my  
office in George West, Texas, on this the 18th. day of October A.D. 1947.

C.W. Kendall CLERK COUNTY COURT,  
in and for Live Oak County, Texas.



File No. 87-14849

Five Oak County

Transfer

Filed 10-28-1947

**BASCOM GILES, Com'r**

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File Clerk

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Deputy  
 Clerk  
 COURT, LIVE OAK COUNTY, TEXAS



THE STATE OF TEXAS, |

COUNTY OF LIVE OAK. | KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

That we, Harold Watson and Velma Watson, husband and wife, joined herein by (my Mother & Father) W.T. Watson and his wife, Madora Alice Watson (who sometimes signs her name as Mrs. M.A. Watson) of the County of Live Oak, State of Texas for and in consideration of the sum of One Hundred & No/100 (\$100.00) Dollars, and other good and valuable consideration, cash to us in hand paid by J.G. Riser, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged and confessed, have Granted, Sold and Conveyed, and by these presents do Grant, Sell and Convey unto the said J. G. Riser of the County of Live Oak, State of Texas, all that certain Tract piece or parcel of land situated wholly within the County of Live Oak, State of Texas, containing 80 acres of land, more or less, the same being composed of a part of and being carved out of the Original G.C. and S.F. R.R. Co., Survey No. 399, Abstract No. 866, but now being known, designated and described as the most eastern 80 acres or the East one-half of Farm Tract No. 3972 Block 100, out of the Dr. Chas. F. Simmons Nueces River Farm Tract Subdivision, as shown by the map or plat of said subdivision prepared by S.L. Chalk and now on file in the office of Live Oak County, Texas, and containing 80 acres of land, more or less, and being known as the W.T. Watson place.

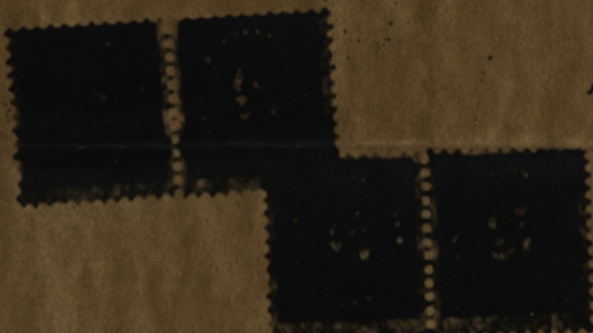
TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the above described premises together with all of the improvements and feed crops or other crops now growing thereon, together with all and singular, the rights, and appurtenances thereto in any wise belonging unto the said J.G. Riser, his heirs and assigns forever, and we the said Harold Watson and wife Velma Watson and W.T. Watson and wife Madora Alice Watson do hereby bind ourselves, our heirs, executors and administrators, to Warrant and Forever Defend all and singular the said premises unto the said J.G. Riser his heirs and assigns, against every person whosoever lawfully claiming, or to claim the same or



any part thereof.

This conveyance is made subject to a certain mortgage or Deed of Trust lien now owned and held by The Federal Land Bank of Houston and is known as Loan No. 42082, and subject to any unpaid Taxes and/or Tax Lien, if any, held by the Federal Land Bank of Houston, the said Mortgage or Deed of Trust, having been executed by J.T. Watson, et ux (being two of the grantors herein) to M.H. Gossett, Trustee for the use and benefit of The Federal Land Bank of Houston, said Deed of Trust being dated on or about June 24th, A.D. 1925, and is of record in Vol. \_\_\_\_\_, at page \_\_\_\_\_ of the Mortgage & Trust Deed Records of Live Oak County, Texas.

WITNESS our hands at George West, Texas, on this the 2nd day of November A.D. 1934.



Harold Watson

Velma Watson

W. J. Watson

Madara Alice Watson

THE STATE OF TEXAS, |

COUNTY OF LIVE OAK. | BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, a Notary Public within and for the aforesaid State and County, on this day personally appeared Harold Watson and Velma Watson, his wife, known to me to be the persons whose names are subscribed to the foregoing instrument and the said Harold Watson acknowledged to me that he executed the same for the purposes and consideration therein expressed. And the said Velma Watson wife of the said Harold Watson having been examined by me privily and apart from her husband, and having the same fully explained to her, she, the said Velma Watson, acknowledged such instrument to be her act and deed, and declared that she had willingly signed the same for the purposes and consideration therein expressed, and that she did not wish to retract it.

Given under my hand and seal of office, this the 2nd day of November, A.D. 1934.



*Lucile Johnson* Notary Public,  
in and for Live Oak County, Texas.

THE STATE OF TEXAS, |  
COUNTY OF LIVE OAK. | BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority,  
a Notary Public within and for the aforesaid State and County,  
on this day personally appeared W.T. Watson and Madora Alice  
Watson, his wife, known to me to be the persons whose names  
are subscribed to the foregoing instrument and the said W.T.  
Watson acknowledged to me that he executed the same for the  
purposes and consideration therein expressed. And the said  
Madora Alice Watson wife of the said W.T. Watson having been  
examined by me privily and apart from her husband, and having the  
same fully explained to her, she, the said Madora Alice Watson,  
acknowledged such instrument to be her act and deed, and declared  
that she had willingly signed the same for the purposes and  
consideration therein expressed, and that she did not wish to  
retract it.

Given under my hand and seal of office, this the 2nd day  
of November, A.D. 1934.

*Lucile Johnson* Notary Public,  
in and for Live Oak County, Texas.

THE STATE OF TEXAS, |  
COUNTY OF LIVE OAK. | I, C.W. KENDALL, Clerk of the County Court, in and  
for Live Oak County, Texas, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing pho-  
tostatic Copy of the original Warranty Deed executed by Harold Watson et al  
to J.G. Riser is a true and correct copy of said deed as same appears of record  
in Volume 51 on page 594 of the Deed Records of Live Oak County, Texas.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the County Court of said County at my  
office in George west, Texas, on this the 18th. day of October A.D. 1947.

*C.W. Kendall* CLERK COUNTY COURT,  
in and for Live Oak County, Texas.



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File No. 84-14849

LIVE OAK County

Transcript

Filed 10-28-1947

BASCOM GILES, Com'r

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File Clerk

GENERAL LAND OFFICE

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THE STATE OF TEXAS)  
COUNTY OF LIVE OAK)

I, O. F. LEWIS, County Clerk of Live Oak County, do hereby certify that the foregoing instrument was filed in my office on the 2 day of Nov, A.D. 1947 at 2 o'clock P.M. and duly recorded this 2 day of Nov, A.D. 1947 at 2 o'clock P.M. in the Book Records of said County in Volume 57 on pages 594.

Witness my hand and seal of the County Court of said County at Office in George West the day and year last above written.

O. F. Lewis  
Clerk

COUNTY COURT, LIVE OAK COUNTY, TEXAS

By Wm. A. Hamilton Deputy

LIVE OAK COUNTY HERALD—George West, Texas



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Beeville, Texas  
October 27, 1947

Mr. Bascom Giles, Commissioner  
of The General Land Office  
Austin, Texas

Dear Mr. Giles:

FILE - SF 14849

Thanks for your letter of October 8, furnishing me with the subject **FILE NUMBER** in connection with my Good Faith Claimant Application to purchase alleged unsurveyed land in Live Oak County, Texas which was filed on October 7, 1947, by me.

I am pleased to enclose herewith Proof that I am the Good Faith Claimant as evidenced by my Affidavit setting forth the required facts, A, b, c, d, e, & f.

Also Certified copies of three warranty deeds all of record in Live Oak County, Texas to-wit :

Deed from Josie Bryson et vir to W.T. Watson as the same appears of record in Volume S on page 479 of the deed records of Live Oak County, Texas.

Deed from W.T. Watson et ux et al to J.G. Riser as same appears of record in Volume 51 at page 594 of the deed records of Live Oak County, Texas.

Deed from Madora Alice Watson acting under the order and with the permission of the District Court of Live Oak County, Texas as same appears of Record in Vol. 57 on page 476 of the Deed Records of Live Oak County, Texas.

Also enclosed herewith is the information required in addition to my application.

The written report of the Surveyor, with his map and field notes of his survey will come forward in the near future.

Mr. Giles, I have worried a great deal over this matter in addition to carefully reviewing the old original field notes, the Plats that were actually prepared by Mr. T.I. Gilmore County Surveyor of Live Oak County, Texas; his MAPS in my opinion clearly identify and portray Surveys 222, 381, 382, 402 and C.Q. Ragland 334, The G.C. & S.F. R.R. Co. 399 and Surveys 332 & 400 all are tied together. FILE No. 2331 of Survey No. 399 in the General Land Office will reflect the pictures of the said surveys all as tying into each other.

As I recall in the original field notes of survey No. 399 ( this I believe is your office FILE 2299) Mr. Gilmore made an error in the survey Number to-wit: he said Survey No. 386 which should have been either 382 or 381: When he found this error he did not erase it clearly- and so in my opinion he then wrote the corrected field notes of 399 but his Picture was exactly the same as originally as well as the courses and distances; I would be glad for you to check me on this to be certain.



FILE- SF14849

RE: 399

The corrected field notes to Survey No.399 in the fourth call; reads as follows; "Thence North 225 vs. to a stake for cor.

The FIFTH call reads; "THENCE EAST 1900 vs. set stake for cor." In my opinion the Surveyor intended to and evidently went along the south boundary of the C.Q. Ragland Survey No.334 from its S.W. corner 1900 varas to its S.E. corner; right at this point had he gone any further East he would <sup>have</sup> created a vacancy.

THE SIXTH CALL reads; "Thence North 1700 vs. set stake for cor." right at this place in my opinion he went from the S.E. corner of the C.Q.Ragland Survey 334 North 1700 along the East boundary line of said C.Q.Ragland Survey to the S.W. corner of Survey 332. And had he gone any further north along said C.Q.Ragland's East boundary line he would have run into the southern part of Survey No.332.

Had the said County Surveyor not stuck to his plat or picture of survey and sustained his action by the survey numbers all as shown- that would then perhaps make a difference. His plat in my opinion should settle the question raised.

Mr. W.S.Goff the former County Surveyor of McMullen died some time ago and so did the County Surveyor of Live Oak County, Texas I engaged the service of Mr.

Herbert Whalen County Surveyor of Bee County, he is a splendid licensed surveyor but the distance from Beeville out to my place is about 42 miles and the expense has been rather heavy.

Having full faith in you and your clerks is why I have not engaged any lawyer to handle this matter and to represent me there.

If there is any questions you would like to ask me in person or if you would like for me to appear in your office in person, I would arrange to do so.

Thanking you for your attention to my application and a careful consideration of the same, I am

Sincerely yours,

J.G.RISER,

Registered in name of



October 31, 1947

Mr. J. G. Riser  
P. O. Box 560  
Beeville, Texas

Dear Mr. Riser:

Your letter of October 27, 1947, with which were enclosed instruments submitted in support of your Good Faith Claimant application to purchase alleged unsurveyed land in Live Oak County numbered SF 14849, has been received. An extensive investigation of the construction of the surveys in the vicinity of the alleged vacancy is now being conducted by this office and you will be notified of our findings as soon as it is completed.

To facilitate the work of this office, may I request that you send me a copy of the subdivision map of Dr. Charles F. Simmons' Nueces River farm prepared by S. L. Chalk and which is reported by the deeds presented by you to be on file in the office of the Clerk of the County Court of Live Oak County. Every consideration will be given your application and the proper construction of the surveys in the vicinity.

Sincerely yours,

BASCOM GILES, COMMISSIONER  
OF THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE

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File - SF 14849



File No. 2-7-14849

Live Oak County

Attorney to J. H. Rice

Filed 10-31-1947

BASCOM GILES, Com'r

File Clerk

Mr. J. H. Rice  
P. O. Box 580  
Perry, Texas  
Dear Mr. Rice:

Your letter of October 27, 1947, with which were enclosed instruments submitted in support of your Good Faith Claimant application to purchase alleged unsurveyed land in Live Oak County, Texas, has been received. An extensive investigation of the construction of the survey in the vicinity of the alleged vacancy is now being conducted by this office and you will be notified of our findings as soon as it is completed.

To facilitate the work of this office, I request that you send me a copy of the original map of Dr. Charles F. Simmons, Waco River Survey, prepared by J. L. Chalk and which is reported by the deeds presented by you to be on file in the office of the Clerk of the County Court of Live Oak County. Every consideration will be given your application and the proper construction of the surveys in the vicinity.

Sincerely yours,

BASCOM GILES, COMMISSIONER  
OF THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE

Campbell:ts  
File - 2-7-14849

October 31, 1947



## THE STATE OF TEXAS

Survey No. \_\_\_\_\_

Live Oak

COUNTY

FIELD NOTES of a survey of

99.30

acres of land made for

J.G. Riser

by virtue of his application filed with the Commissioner of the General Land Office, Austin, Texas, on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_, (application to be filed with the Commissioner of the General Land Office, Austin, Texas\*) under the laws regulating the sale and lease of unsurveyed school land. Said land is situated in Live Oak County, about 13 miles S 68 deg. W from George West, the county seat, and is described by metes and bounds as follows, to-wit:

Beginning at the intersection of the lower north boundary of the G.C. & S.F. R.R. Co. Survey No. 399 with the east boundary of the C.Q. Ragland Survey No. 334 for the southwest corner of this survey, from whence the southeast corner of said Survey No. 334 bears S 00 deg 19' W 334.7 varas;

Thence N 00 deg 19' E along the eastern boundary of said Survey No. 334 at 1330.6 varas cross the southern boundary of a public road between Blocks 99 and 100 of the Simmons Subdivision at 1336.0 varas the northwest corner of this survey in the boundary line between said Blocks 99 and 100, from whence their southwest and northwest corner, respectively, bears S 89 deg 45' W 1212.9 varas;

Thence N 89 deg 45' E along the southern boundary of said Block 99 and the northern boundary of said Block 100 at 415.6 varas the northeast corner of this survey in the western boundary of said Survey No. 399;

Thence South along the western boundary of said Survey No. 399 at 5.4 varas cross the southern boundary of said road at 1337.8 varas an interior corner of said Survey No. 399 for the southeast corner of this survey;

Thence West along the lower northern boundary of said Survey No. 399 at 423 varas

to the place of beginning.

Variation 9 deg 50' EastChain Carriers Simon Saucedo

Bearings marked \_\_\_\_\_

O. SosaSurveyed November 18, 1946

By

Herbert W. Whalen  
(Signature of Surveyor)I, Herbert W. Whalen, a Licensed State Land Surveyor of Bee County,

Texas, do hereby certify that the foregoing survey was made by me on the ground, and according to law; that the limits, boundaries and corners, with the marks, natural and artificial, are truly described in the foregoing Plat and Field Notes, just as I found them on the ground; and they are recorded in Book \_\_\_\_\_, Page \_\_\_\_\_, of the County Surveyor's Records of \_\_\_\_\_ County, Texas.

This 27th. day of October, 1947.Herbert W. Whalen  
Licensed Land Surveyor

Surveyor of \_\_\_\_\_ County, Texas.

## IMPORTANT NOTICE

\*(1) To be used in lieu of "application filed with the Commissioner of the General Land Office, Austin, Texas, on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_" when application is to be accompanied by the field notes.

(2) The written report of the survey which is required to accompany the above field notes must show whether the above described tract of land is situated within five (5) miles (state exact distance) of a well producing oil, gas, or other minerals in paying quantities.



GENERAL LAND OFFICE  
Austin, Texas

S. F. No. 14849

FIELD NOTES  
(Good Faith Claimant)

Filed Nov. 28<sup>th</sup> 1947

BASCOM CHES  
Commissioner

Approved \_\_\_\_\_  
Rejected \_\_\_\_\_ 19\_\_\_\_

Commissioner

CORRECT ON MAP FOR 99.30 ACRES  
MAY 28<sup>th</sup> 49 W. S. Shinn

Patented  
8-10-49  
Robinson

FILED FOR RECORD 17  
November AD. 1947  
8:15 o'clock A.M.

C. W. Kendall  
Clerk, County Court, Live Oak County, Texas  
Betty M. Campbell

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11/19/47  
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C W.S.

I, Herbert W. Whalen, Licensed State Land

Surveyor of Bee  
County, do hereby certify that the character  
and reasonable market value of the land in-  
cluded within the limits of the within field  
notes are as follows:

Soil (state character) Black sand

Timber mesquite and brush

Value \$ 5.00 per acre  
(including timber)

Herbert W. Whalen  
Licensed Land Surveyor Surveyor

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THE STATE OF TEXAS  
COUNTY OF LIVE OAK

I, C. W. Kendall, County Clerk of Live Oak County, do hereby certify that the  
foregoing instrument was filed in my office on the 17 day of November A. D. 1947, at  
8:15 o'clock A.M., and duly recorded this 19 day of November A. D., 1947 at 4:25 o'clock  
P. M. in the Surveyor's Records of said County in Volume 4 on page 226  
Witness my hand and seal of the County Court of said County at Office in George West the day and  
year last above written.

C. W. KENDALL, Clerk  
COUNTY COURT, LIVE OAK COUNTY, TEXAS  
By Betty M. Campbell, Deputy

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REPORT ON SURVEY OF 99.30 ACRES OF VACANT LAND  
IN LIVE OAK COUNTY, TEXAS, MADE FOR J.G. RISER  
S. F. No. 14849

The said 99.30 acres are bounded on the north by the centerline of a graded road, 10.8 varas wide, between Blocks 99 and 100 of the Simmon's Subdivision, on the east by the western boundary of the G.C. & S.F. R.R. Co. Survey No. 399, on the south by the lower northern boundary of said Survey No. 399 and on the west by the east boundary of the C.Q. Ragland Survey No. 334. The center line of said road is the northern boundary of J.G. Riser's land, the southern boundary of the D.G. McNair land and also the southern boundary of a small vacant parcel, containing 2.07 acres, lying between the center line of said road and the southern boundary of the T.H. Gilmore Survey No. 332.

The east, south and west boundaries of said 99.30 acres and the east, north and west boundaries of said 2.07 acres I determined from the following surveys which I made on the ground:

Beginning at the southeast corner of the Chas. P. Smith Survey No. 24 and the northeast corner of the L.W. Snowden Survey No. 14, a 2 inch iron pipe with brass cap marked <sup>24</sup>~~14~~, from whence the original bearing tree, a three prong 30 inch mesquite, the north prong marked E. G. P., bears S 37 $\frac{1}{2}$  deg W 20 varas;

Thence N 00 deg 18' W along a fence 1940.5 varas to a fence corner post, the southwest corner of Survey No. 382 as fenced, from whence a 12 inch mesquite tree marked X (old) bears N 18 deg W 19.5 varas and another 12 inch mesquite tree, marked X (old) bears N 64 deg E 15.3 varas;

Thence N 1 deg 7' W 1072.7 varas to a fence corner post, the northeast corner of Survey No. 194 and the southeast corner of Survey No. 192 as fenced;

Thence N 00 deg 24' W 1366.6 varas to a cedar stake at the southeast corner of the J.W. Winters Survey No. 402 and the lower northeast corner of the Mrs. M.D. Proctor Survey No. 410 from whence the original bearing tree, a mesquite marked X (dead) bears S 68 deg W 14 varas;

Thence N 89 deg 54' W 635.7 varas to the southwest corner of said Survey No. 402 and an interior corner of said Survey No. 410, from whence the original bearing tree, a 14 inch mesquite marked X (old mark) and X (new mark) bears S 75 deg W 4.4 varas;

Thence N 00 deg 45' W 1617.9 varas to an iron pipe at the northwest corner of said Survey No. 402 for the southwest corner (original) of said Survey No. 399, from whence the original bearing tree, a mesquite marked X (dead and down) bears N 28 deg E 8.8 varas and another mesquite marked X (recent) bears N 17 $\frac{1}{2}$  deg E 6.8 varas;

Thence S 89 deg 54' E parallel with the southern boundary of Survey No. 402 at 638.2 varas passed a point from whence a mesquite tree with old mark, illegible, bears North 19.6 varas (this is probably the original tree called for in field notes of Surveys 382 and 402) at 1589 varas a stake set in fence on the western boundary of survey No. 381 for the northeast corner of Survey No. 382, from whence San Caja Mountain bears N 79 deg 40' W;

Thence N 00 deg 24' E along said fence 89 varas to a fence corner post, the northwest corner of Survey No. 381 and an interior corner of Survey No. 399 as fenced and recognized, from whence a mesquite tree marked X (old), dead and down, bears N 48 deg 45' E 10.5 varas.

The foregoing survey was made by me during April, 1940. In order to get a tie between Survey No. 399 and Survey No. 334, I made the following survey during November, 1946:

I began at the common corner of the S.B. Turner Surveys Nos. 3 and 5 and the L.A. Fant Surveys Nos. 4 and 6. This is an established and well known corner and is marked by a 2 inch iron pipe with a brass cap on top marked  $\frac{\text{SBT } 5}{\text{LAF } 6} \mid \frac{\text{SBT } 3}{\text{LAF } 4}$ , and from

same the original bearing tree a mesquite, now dead, marked E (old) bears N 38 $\frac{1}{2}$  deg E 7.2 varas and another mesquite, 9 inches in diameter, marked X, bears N 11 deg W 4.3 varas;



Thence S 89 deg 41' E along an old cut line between said S.B. Turner No. 3 and said L.A. Fant No. 4 at 655.2 varas passed a 2 inch iron pipe set in fence line on the Live Oak and McMullen County Line, a brass cap in top of said pipe is marked S.B. Turner 3 L.A. Fant 4, continuing S 89 deg 41' E at 1900 varas a point in a field, no trees in any direction for several hundred feet.

Returning to the 2 inch iron pipe at the intersection of the line just run with said County Line, I ran South along the said County Line fence, which is also the east boundary of Harry Ezzell land, at 5944.5 varas crossed the center line of a public road between Blocks 99 and 100 of the Simmon's Subdivision, at 7500.6 varas intersected my cinderella on the north boundary of said Winters Survey at a point from whence its northwest corner bears N 89 deg 54' W 268.6 varas.

Returning to point of intersection of center line of said road between Blocks 99 and 100 with said County Line, thence N 89 deg 45' E along said center line at 977.3 varas passed the northeast corner of the E.B. O'Neal, land and a northwest corner of the J.G. Riser land at 1944.7 varas passed the northeast corner of said Riser land at 4075.0 varas a point;

Thence S 00 deg 15' E at 5.4 varas cross the south boundary of said road at 117.2 varas to a corner post at the north corner of Survey No. 222;

Thence S 44 deg 56' W along a fence line on the northwestern boundary of said Survey No. 222 at 1913.0 varas a corner post for the west corner of said Survey No. 222, the northeast corner of Survey No. 381 and the southeast corner of Survey No. 399 as fenced and recognized from whence a 12 inch mesquite tree, marked X (very old mark) bears N 61 deg W 12.9 varas, a mesquite stump, its 12 inch trunk on ground and marked X (old), bears N 48 deg E 11 varas, a 12 inch mesquite tree marked X (recent) bears S 2 deg 15' E 16 varas and a mesquite marked Y (recent) bears N 40 deg 50' E 40 varas;

Thence S 89 deg 20' W along a fence, the recognized boundary between Survey No. 381 and Survey No. 399 at 1403.4 varas a fence corner post for the northwest corner of said Survey No. 381 and an interior corner said Survey No. 399 and which corner post is at the end of my survey of April, 1940.

From the foregoing surveys I determined and platted on my map the location of Surveys Nos. 332, 334, 399 and others, and I find that the southwest part of No. 399 is in conflict with No. 334, the northwest part of No. 399 is in conflict with No. 332 and that there is a gap between the east boundary of No. 334 and the upper west boundary of No. 399. Also, Surveys Nos 382, 402 and 410 are partly in conflict with Survey No. 334.

Surveys Nos. 3, 4, 5, 6, 329, 330, 332, 333 and 334 were surveyed by R.H. Brown and later T.H. Gilmore surveyed Nos. 381, 382, 399, 400, 402 and 410. In his first field notes, under which the Patent was issued, he drops the calls for No. 334 but continues to show on his plat that it borders on No. 334. Also in his field notes of Survey No. 400, which he surveyed after No. 399, Gilmore calls for No. 399 and No. 332. As stated above Nos. 332, 333 and 334 were surveyed by R.H. Brown. No. 334 does not call for 332 directly but it does call for 333 and 333 calls for 332. It seems that it was Gilmore's intentions to follow the southern and eastern boundaries of No. 334 in his survey of No. 399 but failed to make calls for these boundaries in his corrected field notes of No. 399.

The nearest producing oil or gas well, the Edwin M. Jones No. 4C Harry Ezzell, a gas well, bears N 41 deg W 1.3 miles from the northwest corner of the 2.07 acres.

Respectfully submitted

Robert W. Whalen  
Licensed Land Surveyor



State of Texas |  
County of Bee |

I, Herbert W. Whalen, a Licensed State Land Surveyor of Beeville, Texas, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct report of surveys made by me on the ground of alleged vacant land in Live Oak County, Texas, filed on by J.G. Riser, Good Faith Claimant, S.F. No. 14849.

This 27th. day of October, 1947.

Herbert W. Whalen  
Licensed Land Surveyor



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Herbert W. Whalen  
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LINE OAK County

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Filed Nov 14, 1947

RASCOM GILES, Com'r

*Wm. H. H. H.*  
The Clerk

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Beeville, Texas  
November 12, 1947

Bascom Giles, Commissioner  
Of The General Land Office  
Austin, Texas

Dear Mr. Giles:

S.F. 14849

I am pleased to acknowledge receipt of your letter of October 31st. with reference to my Good Faith Claimant application to purchase alleged unsurveyed land in Live Oak County, numbered S F 14849, captioned above.

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Accordingly I am pleased to send you a copy of the map of the Dr. Chas F. Simmons Nueces River Farm Tract Subdivision. This map is made on cloth from an original tracing copied from the S.L. Chalk map which is shown of record in the map records of Live Oak County, Texas.

B. I am also shipping to you the field notes of the survey prepared by Mr. Herbert W. Whalen, a licensed State Land Surveyor of Bee County, Texas.

C. The written report of the surveyor.

D. The original plat of the survey together with an extra white copy on cloth.

E. Corrected field notes of a survey of 536.42 acres of land for G.C. & S.F. R.R. Co. survey No. 399, certificate 4043, by virtue of section 4 of Housebill No 9, passed at the regular session of the 46 legislature, and approved June 9, 1939 regulating the sale of excess acreage in title or patented surveys. Said land is situated in Live Oak County, Texas about 12 miles S. 68 deg W from George West, the County seat of Live Oak County, Texas.

There appears of record in Volume 32 on pages 468 - 470 of the deed records of McMullen County, Texas, as well as of record in Vol. 91 page 524 of the deed records of Live Oak County, Texas, an affidavit of Mr. W.S. Goff, County Surveyor of McMullen County, Texas, at that time, testifying the surveys by number and the abstract numbers of each survey situated and included within the boundaries enclosing the land assessed in my name for taxation in said counties; Mr. Goff stated in his affidavit that he had surveyed the said lands during the year 1917 and since which time he had been employed to survey and run out certain lines of the said surveys referred to in his affidavit and had also been employed to survey adjoining surveys to the west of my land for both the Shiner ranch and the Ray ranch also known as the Ezzell. Mr. Goff stated that there does not exist any vacant land between any of the above named surveys, that most all of

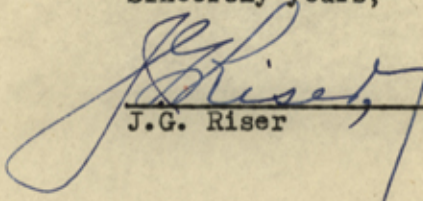


the original bearing trees still remain on the ground and the old survey marks are also plain and visible in numerous places. If you find that this affidavit would be helpful in connection with my application I will be pleased to furnish you a photostatic copy of the original to facilitate the work of your office.

I am attaching hereto as required \$1.00.

I will greatly appreciate every consideration that may be given my application. Thanking you very much, I am

Sincerely yours,

  
J.G. Riser

P.S. Would you please advise me the requirements to be filed in Live Oak County, the kind of an Application if any necessary or any other document.

There is not any County Surveyor in that County unless one has been appointed. It is my desire to get this matter thoroughly completed; I trust that your record when completely assembled will reflect that there is no vacancy and only the Patent need be corrected tying those surveys together.

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Letter from J. E. Riser

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THE STATE OF TEXAS, §

COUNTY OF McMULLEN. §

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, County Judge ~~McMullen~~ in and for the aforesaid State and County, on this day personally appeared before me W. S. Goff, the County Surveyor of McMullen County, Texas, known to me to be a credible citizen, who upon his oath deposes and says as follows to-wit:

My name is W. S. Goff, I am over the age of 21 years, and I reside in Tilden, McMullen County, Texas, I have resided in McMullen County, Texas, for about fifty years, I was elected County Surveyor of McMullen County several years ago, in fact, I have been County Surveyor of McMullen County for many years, and I am now the duly elected and qualified County Surveyor of McMullen County, Texas, my office and principal place of business is located in the court house in Tilden, McMullen County, Texas, and the County Surveyor's Records, of which I am the custodian, are maintained in my office.

I am well acquainted with Jesse G. Riser of George West, Live Oak County, Texas, and I have known him and been personally acquainted with him for many years, he is the owner and occupant of a ranch which is located partly in McMullen County and partly in Live Oak County, which ranch contains approximately 2100 acres of land, more or less; and I am well acquainted with his ranch and the surveys and parts of surveys lying within and situated within his ranch enclosure; and there is situated and included within the boundaries of his fence enclosing his said ranch the following surveys, to-wit:

The J. W. Winters Survey No. 402, Abstract 982, containing 181 acres of land.

The Mrs. M. D. Procter survey No. 414, Abstract 903, containing 8-2/3 acres.

And approximately 227 acres of land, same being a part of and out of the Mrs. M. D. Procter Survey No. 410, Abstract No. 991.

A part of the G. C. & S. F. R. R. Co. survey No. 399, Abstract No. 866, Certificate No. 4043.

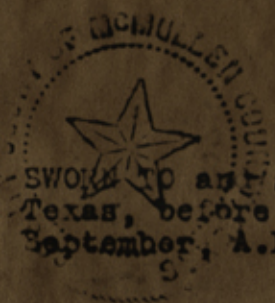
All of survey No. 496, Abstract No. 1183, Certificate No. 2711. G. C. & S. F. R. R. Co., which survey contains 92 acres.

Survey No. 192, Abstract No. 1137, original grantee was Mrs. L. M. Slater, this survey contains 640 acres.

The G. C. & S. F. R. R. Co Survey No. 382, Abstract No. 1007, and containing 640 acres.

And a portion of the C. C. S. D. & R. G. N. G. R. R. Co., Survey No. 334, C. Q. Ragland, original grantee by virtue of Certificate No. 2, patent No. 386 Volume 15.

During the year 1917 I was employed and engaged to survey the above described lands, and since which time I have had occasion and have been employed to survey and run out certain lines out of the above surveys, and I have also had occasion and was employed to survey adjoining surveys to the West of said Riser Ranch for both the Shiner Ranch owners and the Ray Ranch owners, said ranch known as the Ray Ranch is also known as the Ezzell Ranch, and there does not exist any vacant lands between any of the above named surveys; and most all of the original bearing trees still remain on the ground, and the old survey marks are also plain and visible in numerous places.



W. S. Goff County Surveyor  
of McMullen County, Texas.

SWORN to and subscribed by W. S. Goff, County Surveyor of McMullen County, Texas, before me at my office in Tilden, Texas, on this the 5th. day of September, A.D., 1939.

Clifton Wheeler County Judge  
Notary Public  
in and for McMullen County, Texas.



THE STATE OF TEXAS,

COUNTY OF McMULLEN. BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, a ~~notary~~ County Judge ~~public~~ in and for McMullen County, Texas, on this day personally appeared W. St. Goff, 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 consideration therein expressed.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL OF OFFICE on this the 5th. day of September A.D., 1939.

*Chilton Wheeler* County Judge  
Notary Public  
in and for McMullen County, Texas.

THE STATE OF TEXAS)

COUNTY OF LIVE OAK)

I, O. F. Lewis, County Clerk of Live Oak County, do hereby certify that the foregoing instrument was filed in my office on the 26 day of Aug. A. D., 1942, at 1:30 o'clock P. M., and duly recorded this 26 day of Aug. A. D., 1942 at 4:40 o'clock P. M. in the *Book* Records of said County in Volume 71 on page 524.

Witness my hand and seal of the County Court of said County at Office in George West the day and year last above written.

O. F. LEWIS, Clerk  
COUNTY COURT, LIVE OAK COUNTY, TEXAS  
By *Lucile Johnson* Deputy

THE STATE OF TEXAS, }  
COUNTY OF McMULLEN. }

I, Julius Franklin, Clerk of the County Court of said County, do hereby certify that the foregoing instrument of Writing, with its certificate of authentication was filed for record in my office this 19th day of Aug. A. D., 1942, at 1:00 o'clock P. M., and duly recorded the 19th day of Sept. A. D., 1942, at 9:30 o'clock P. M., in the *Book* Records of said County, in Volume 72 on pages 468-470.

Witness my hand and the seal of the County Court of said County at office in Tilden, Texas, the day and year last above written.

*Julius Franklin*  
Clerk, County Court, McMullen County, Texas.  
By *Mary Duncan* Deputy



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Live Oak County

Affidavit

Filed 11-28, 1947

BASCOM GILES, Clerk

File Clerk

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affidavit  
W. S. Goff  
to  
J. G. Riser  
FILED WITH S.F. 14849

FILED FOR RECORD

THIS 29 DAY OF Aug. A.D., 1947  
AT 1:00 O'CLOCK P.M.

JULIUS FRANKLIN

CLERK COUNTY COURT, McMULLEN COUNTY, TEXAS

By Mary Duncan  
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Beeville, Texas  
November 26, 1947

Mr. Bascom Giles, Commissioner  
Of The General Land Office  
Austin, Texas

Attention Mr. Campbell

Dear Mr. Campbell:

J.G. Riser file SF 14849

I am pleased to return herewith the recorded field notes of a survey of 99.30 acres of land made for me by the County Surveyor of Bee County by virtue of my good faith claimant application filed of record in the general land office on October 7, 1947. These field notes are recorded in Volume 4, page 226 of the surveyors records of Live Oak County, Texas.

I am also enclosing corrected field notes of a survey of 536.42 acres of land ~~by~~ G.C. & S.F. R.R. Co. by virtue of Section 4 of Housebill No. 9 approved June 19, 1939. These field notes are recorded in Volume 4 on page 225 of the Surveyors records of Live Oak County, Texas.

There is being enclosed also photostatic copy of the original affidavit of W.S. Goff who was County Surveyor of McMullen County at that time. The said affidavit states among other things that there was not any vacant lands between the surveys referred to in the affidavit.

This affidavit appears of record in both Live Oak and McMullen Counties as shown by the County Clerk's certificates of record.

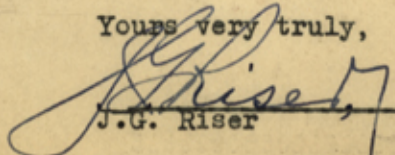
Mr. Goff was well acquainted with the surveys and his affidavit was based upon information he had compiled from actual surveys made by him on the ground in that area.

Having worried over this matter a great deal I have naturally given this matter a great deal of thought and study. The State of Texas by patent covering Survey No. 399 made for G.C. & S.F. R.R. Co. sold 640 acres of land. As shown by the certified copies of my deeds sent to you heretofore I purchased that part of Survey No. 399 relying upon the records as being correct.

The corrected field notes as made by Mr. Herbert W. Whalen reflect, <sup>only</sup> 536.42 acres in said survey, a shortage of approximately 100 acres. It appears to me that the patent could be corrected to cover the 640 acres as sold by the State of Texas and I will greatly appreciate your careful consideration advising me of any further information needed from down here.

Thanking you, I am

Yours very truly,

  
J.G. Riser

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December 1, 1947

Mr. J. G. Riser  
P. O. Box 560  
Beeville, Texas

Dear Mr. Riser:

Your letter of November 26, 1947, with which were enclosed corrected field notes of a survey of 536.42 acres of land, being Section 399, Certificate No. 4043, G. C. & S. F. Ry. Co. Survey in Live Oak County, and a photostatic copy of the affidavit of W. S. Goff, has been received. I wish to thank you for this additional information and to advise you that this office is preparing a working sketch of the area in question in order that a thorough study may be given your problem. No further action will be taken in regard to this matter until the sketch has been completed. You will be notified of our findings.

Sincerely yours,

BASCOM GILES, COMMISSIONER  
OF THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE

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*Five Oak County*

*the J. G. Riser*

Filed 12-22-1947

BASCOM GILES, Com'r  
File Clerk

Mr. J. G. Riser  
P. O. Box 580  
Beaville, Texas

Dear Mr. Riser:

Your letter of November 26, 1947, with which were enclosed corrected field notes of a survey of 838.42 acres of land, being Section 322, Cor- lation No. 4043, G. & S. F. Ry. Co. Survey in Five Oak County, and a photostatic copy of the plat of W. S. Golf, has been received. I wish to thank you for this additional information and to advise you that this office is preparing a working map of the area in question in order that a thorough study may be given your problem. No further action will be taken in regard to this matter until the map has been completed. You will be notified of our findings.

Sincerely yours,

BASCOM GILES, COMMISSIONER  
OF THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE

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File - 57 14849

December 1, 1947



June 2, 1949

Mr. J. G. Riser  
P. O. Box 560  
Beeville, Texas

Dear Mr. Riser:

On October 7, 1947, you filed in the General Land Office a Good Faith Claimant's application to purchase alleged unsurveyed land in Live Oak County. Thereafter the necessary instruments to establish your status as a Good Faith Claimant and field notes covering the area described by the application, revealing the tract to contain 99.3 acres of land, were filed in the General Land Office. You also submitted corrected field notes for Section 399, Certificate No. 4043, G. C. & S. F. Ry. Co. Survey, revealing this tract to contain 536.42 acres of land rather than 640 acres. These field notes and corrected field notes were prepared by Mr. Herbert W. Whalen, Licensed State Land Surveyor.

By letter dated December 1, 1947, you were advised that this office was preparing a sketch of the area in question in order that a thorough study might be given your application and that no further action would be taken in regard to the matter until the sketch had been completed. The compilation of a new map of Live Oak County was commenced in the fall of 1947 and the map was completed on April 22, 1948. Mr. Ray Wisdom, the compiler, was requested to give special attention to the construction of the surveys in the vicinity of the area covered by your application. He has advised me that special attention was given to the matter and that he went so far as to reconstruct for quite a distance the surveys in McMullen County which might have an effect on the construction of the area in question. His findings were almost exactly as those reported by Mr. Whalen.

Mr. Shirriffs of the Engineering Department re-examined the area with the view of attempting to have Section 399 embrace the alleged vacant area as excess. He advised



Mr. J. G. Riser

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June 2, 1949

that this could not be done and re-affirmed the findings of Mr. Wisdom and Mr. Whalen.

I am enclosing a photostatic copy of a portion of the new Live Oak County map which indicates the construction of the surveys as found by this office. I have approved the field notes for the vacant area as embracing 99.30 acres of land and I shall present your application to purchase this tract to the School Land Board for its consideration. You will be notified of the action taken by the Board.

The corrected field notes for Section 399 have also been approved and may be used as a basis for the issuance of a corrected patent if you so desire. For authority to issue a corrected patent there must be filed in the General Land Office an affidavit of ownership in which a request is made for the cancellation of the original patent and the issuance of a corrected one. The reason for the request should be stated in the affidavit. The original patent must be returned to the General Land Office for cancellation; however, if it has been lost or destroyed, this fact may be included in the affidavit.

The statutory fee of \$.50 for filing the affidavit of ownership and the fee of \$1.04 for recording the corrected patent in the county in which the land is located should accompany the affidavit and must be remitted by separate checks made payable to the Commissioner of the General Land Office. This is necessary as the recording fee is forwarded to the County Clerk in payment of his services.

Should you not desire a corrected patent for Section 399, this office may correct the abstract so as to reveal a reduction in acreage and thereby effect a reduction in the taxes for Section 399. Possibly, the correction of the abstract would be the better procedure to follow, for if a corrected patent is requested and issued, all land lying outside the area embraced by the corrected patent and formerly included in the original patent is relinquished. I shall await your instructions in regard to this matter.

I wish to thank you for your cooperation in developing the facts in this case and for your patience in awaiting a decision relative to the existence or non-existence of the vacancy described by your Application No. S.F. 14849.



Mr. J. G. Riser  
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According to Mr. Whalen's sketch, it appears that 2.07 acres may be classified as unsurveyed land lying north of the roadway, which appears to be the north boundary line of your 99.30-acre tract. May I request that you advise me of the name and address of the party in whose enclosure this land is located in order that I may contact him.

Sincerely yours,

ALVIS VANDYGRIFF, CHIEF CLERK  
AND ACTING COMMISSIONER OF  
THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE

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Att to J. B. Davis

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Beeville, Texas  
June 4, 1949

Mr. Alvis Vandygriff, Chief Clerk  
And Acting Commissioner of the  
General Land Office  
Austin 14, Texas

Dear Mr. Vandygriff:

RE: S F-14849

Your letter of June 2nd. concerning the subject files received. In reply, beg to advise that I greatly appreciate the splendid manner in which you have handled my application and the consideration given the same.

That certain 2.07 acres of land lying north of the George West public road belongs to Mr. D.W. McNair. His address is c/o Temple Lumber Company, Polk Avenue, Houston, Texas. I sent him direct word about this matter during the month of October 1947, however I have never received any response from him.

With regard to the G.C. & S.F. Survey 399, Abstract No. 866, Cert. No. 4043, Original Grantee John W. Mackey, I appreciate your splendid suggestions therein. It is felt that it might be a better plan to not change the field note description of said survey because the exact location of the southern and eastern boundary lines of the C.Q. Ragland Survey No. 334 might not be correctly located. There is no doubt in my mind that the County Surveyor, T.I. Gilmore, intentions was to tie the said G.C. & S. F. Survey 399 and the C.Q. Ragland Survey 334 the J.W. Winters Survey 402 and the Amos Moore Survey 382 all together.

I am desirous of having the matter of any possible question as to said surveys settled once and for all so that there can be no further worries for me and my family.

Having explicit confidence in you, Mr. John Campbell and Mr. Giles it is my intention to proceed in accordance with your advise. In case you and Mr. Campbell think that it would be advisable to make a trip to your office in Austin I will be glad to do so.

As soon as you and the School Land Board have completed action of the matter I will be glad to hear from you.

Thanking you for your kind interest and the splendid manner in which the same has been handled, I am

Cordially yours,

JGR:rw

  
J.G. Riser

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June 7, 1949

Mr. J. G. Riser  
Box 560  
Beeville, Texas

Dear Mr. Riser:

I wish to thank you for your letter of June 4, 1949, and to advise you that in my opinion the most logical method of settling the question of the construction of the surveys in the vicinity of Section 399, G. C. & S. F. Ry. Co. Survey in Live Oak County, is for you to proceed to a completion of your application to purchase the alleged unsurveyed area described by your application No. S.F. 14849.

The School Land Board will fix a price at which this land may be purchased at its next regular meeting. You will be advised of this amount and instructed as to the procedure which should be followed in completing your purchase. It will not be necessary for you to visit the General Land Office in this connection.

I shall contact Mr. D. W. McNair at Houston, Texas, and suggest that he make application to purchase the 2.07 acres of land lying north of the George West public road.

Sincerely yours,

ALVIS VANDYGRIFF, CHIEF CLERK  
AND ACTING COMMISSIONER OF  
THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE

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File No. 13 14849

David Lake County

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BASCOM GILES, Com'r

J. H.  
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# ACCEPTANCE OF TERMS OF SALE OF UNSURVEYED SCHOOL LAND

(Applicant or Good Faith Claimant)

Beeville

, Texas,

July 8,

1949

TO THE COMMISSIONER OF THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE, AUSTIN, TEXAS:

I hereby accept the terms of sale of the tract of unsurveyed school land hereinafter described as stated in your letter dated June 23, 1949 and apply to complete my application to purchase under the terms of House Bill No. 9, passed at the Regular Session of the Forty-sixth Legislature and approved June 19, 1939, and other laws relating to the sale of unsurveyed school land without settlement.

The land is situated in Live Oak County, Texas, about 14 miles (give course) SW from the county seat, and is briefly described as follows:

Survey No.	S. F. No.	Acres	Classification
	14849	99.30	

I agree to pay for said land the price of \$5.00 Dollars per acre, and I hereby enclose the sum of \$496.50 Dollars as the full cash payment therefor.  
(Insert whether "full" or "one-fortieth")

I further agree that the sale to me is made upon the express conditions, to-wit:  
The reservation of minerals will be 1/8th of all oil, gas, sulphur and other minerals as a free royalty to the State; The State will not participate in any bonus consideration nor any rentals, and I will have the right to lease said land

I do solemnly swear ~~that~~ that I am over twenty-one (21) years of age.

J. G. RISER  
Applicant or Good Faith Claimant  
Post Office BEEVILLE, TEXAS

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this the 9th day of July, A.D., 19 49.

B. W. ADAMS  
Notary Public  
in and for Bee County, Texas

## OBLIGATION

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ School Lands.

For value received, I, the undersigned, do promise to pay to the State of Texas the sum of

\_\_\_\_\_ Dollars, with interest thereon as hereinafter specified, the same being for the remainder of purchase money for the following described tract of land purchased by me, of the State of Texas, in accordance with the provisions of

laws relating to the sale of unsurveyed public free school lands; to-wit: All of Survey No. \_\_\_\_\_,

S. F. No. \_\_\_\_\_, Grantee \_\_\_\_\_, situated in \_\_\_\_\_ County, Texas.

The annual interest of five per cent, upon all unpaid principal, together with one-fortieth of the original principal, I am to pay or cause to be paid to the General Land Office, at Austin, Travis County, Texas, on or before the first day of each November thereafter until the whole purchase money is paid. And it is expressly understood that I am to comply strictly with all the conditions, limitations and requirements, and am subject to and accept all the benefits and penalties contained and prescribed in the laws above referred to.

Witness my hand this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 19 \_\_\_\_\_.

Applicant or Good Faith Claimant

Post Office \_\_\_\_\_



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Applicant or Good Faith Claimant

Witness my hand this

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County, Texas.  
S. F. No.

Grantee

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School Lands.

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See

County, Texas

E. W. ADAMS,

Notary Public

day of

JULY, A.D.

1919

Post Office

BEVERLY, TEXAS

J. C. FISHER

Applicant or Good Faith Claimant



(16)

# GENERAL LAND OFFICE Austin, Texas

S. F. No. 14849

## ACCEPTANCE OF TERMS OF SALE OF UNSURVEYED SCHOOL LAND (Applicant or Good Faith Claimant)

of

J. C. Fisher  
Post Office Beverly, Tex

### WITHOUT SETTLEMENT

99.30 acres in

Five Oak County, Texas.

Filed July 18, 1949

Basson Hiles  
Commissioner

Awarded July 18, 1949

Rejected July 18, 1949

Basson Hiles  
Commissioner

Class

Appr'm't

Obligation

On Market

Survey No.

S. F. No.

(Give address)

The land is situated in

Five Oak

County, Texas, about

1 1/4

miles

approved June 19, 1939, and other laws relating to the sale of unsurveyed school land and pertaining described as stated under the terms of House Bill No. 9, passed at the Regular Session of the Forty-sixth Legislature and in your letter dated June 23, 1949 and apply to complete my application to purchase

I hereby accept the terms of sale of the tract of unsurveyed school land hereinafter described as stated

TO THE COMMISSIONER OF THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE, AUSTIN, TEXAS:

Beverly

Texas,

July 8,

1919

(Applicant or Good Faith Claimant)

OF UNSURVEYED SCHOOL LAND  
ACCEPTANCE OF TERMS OF SALE

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BASCOM GILES, Commissioner.  
ALVIS VANDYGRIFF, Chief Clerk.

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Post Office Berenville, Texas

Box 560  
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To THE COMMISSIONER General Land Office, Austin, Texas.

I enclose

(Say whether Money Order or Draft on a Bank in Austin, or Cash.)

for \$ 502

of which \$ 496.50 are for principal  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_ are for interest  
\$ 6.00 are for Post fees

payment on the following land purchased from the State,  
to-wit:

**PAID FINAL**

Section	Block	Township	Certificate	SURVEY	Acres	County
			<u>SF 14849</u>	<u>J. B. Riser</u>	<u>99.3</u>	<u>Live Oak</u>

R. B. Riser

(Name of Sender.)

Received remittance as stated above.

(Address)

Commissioner General Land Office.



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(Address)

Commissioner, General Land Office

(Name of grantor)

Received remittance as stated above.

*J. B. Keiser*  
*J. B. Keiser*  
*J. B. Keiser*

Section	Block	Township	County

of section

2 6.00 are for *Deeds*  
 2 are for *Deeds*  
 2 425.20 are for *Deeds*

(See whether Money Order or Draft on a Bank in Advance or Cash)

I enclose

TO THE COMMISSIONER General Land Office, Austin, Texas.

FILE NO.

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FOOTED

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Post Office

*Box 250*  
*San Antonio, Texas*  
*10-77*

WALTER LANDYGRIFT, Chief Clerk  
 BUREAU OF GENERAL LANDS

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## LAND AWARDS AND RECEIPT

File No. S.F. 14849Page 704Date of Award July 18,, 1949GENERAL LAND OFFICE,  
AUSTIN, TEXASWHEREAS, J. G. Riser

of Beeville, Texas, has, in the manner and form prescribed by  
law, filed in this office an application and obligation to purchase the following land, to-wit:

SECTION	BLOCK	TOWNSHIP	CERTIFICATE	GRANTEE	ACRES	PRICE	COUNTY
			S.F. 14849	J. G. Riser	99.30	\$ 5.00	Live Oak

Date of Sale July 18, 1949

Amount of Note \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Rate of Interest \_\_\_\_\_ Per Cent

Due November 1st Annually  
SCHOOL LAND

O549-240-2m.

The School land Board having fixed the price, and the State  
having received \$ 486.50 as the full payment  
thereon, I do hereby award to said applicant the survey of  
land described above with a reservation of minerals  
of 1/8th of all oil, gas, sulphur and other  
minerals as a free royalty to the State.

*Pascom Giles*  
Commissioner General Land Office



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14849  
Receipt  
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14849-240-2m.

SCHOOL LAND  
Paid November 1st Annually

Rate of Interest Per Cent

Amount of Note \$

Date of Sale July 18, 1949

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The School Land Board having fixed the price, and the State

SECTION	BLOCK	TOWNSHIP	CERTIFICATE	GRADY	ACRES	PRICE	COUNTY
			14849 S.P.	1.0. Block	22.30	\$ 2.00	Live Oak

law, filed in this office an application and obligation to purchase the following land, to-wit:

of Revello Texas, has, in the manner and form prescribed by

WHEREAS, 1.0. Block

AUSTIN, TEXAS  
GENERAL LAND OFFICE

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Date of Award July 18, 1949

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LAND AWARDS AND RECEIPT

File No. S.P. 14849

Commissioner General Land Office

*[Signature]*



June 23, 1949

Mr. J. G. Riser  
Box 560  
Beeville, Texas

Dear Mr. Riser:

The School Land Board at a meeting held in my office on June 21, 1949, took up for consideration your application to purchase 99.30 acres of unsurveyed school land in Live Oak County under our S. F. 14849, and fixed the price at which you may pay for the same at \$5.00 per acre.

This tract of land is within five miles of an oil well producing in commercial quantities, and the reservation of minerals will be 1/8th of all oil, gas, sulphur and other minerals as a free royalty to the State.

Since this tract contains more than 80 acres, it may be paid for either on time by paying 1/5th down and the balance due in 40 years and bearing 5% interest, or it may be paid for in cash. Should you elect to pay for same on a cash basis, then you should forward a check in the amount of \$496.50, also the patent fee on this area would amount to \$6.00. These amounts may be included in one check which should be made payable to the State Treasurer. You must also send a separate check made payable to the Commissioner of the General Land Office in the sum of \$1.04 as recording fee.

As I interpret the law, it contemplates the purchase of this area within 90 days from the date the Commissioner finally determines the existence of a vacancy, which in this case was June 21, 1949.

A form of acceptance is enclosed herewith for your signature. Upon receipt of the acceptance properly signed together with the above sums, if you elect to pay all cash, patent will issue thereon and be sent to the County Clerk with instructions to forward to you when the same has been recorded.

Sincerely yours,

BASCOM GILES, COMMISSIONER  
OF THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE

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# General Land Office

BASCOM GILES, COMMISSIONER  
ALVIS VANDYGRIFF, CHIEF CLERK

Austin, Texas, August 12, 1949

County Clerk Live Oak County  
George West, Texas

Dear Sir:

The enclosed Receiver's check for \$ 1.00 is for recording the enclosed patent in

Live Oak County, issued to the Patentee shown therein.

The other check or checks, enclosed, if any, is the fee for the other county clerk, or clerks, as shown.

When recorded by you, kindly forward patent, and this letter, with balance of fees, if any, to other proper county clerk, and when record is fully completed deliver to the owner or his agents, in person or by registered mail, as required by Chapter 47, Acts April 2, 1918.

J. G. Riser of Beeville, Texas paid the fees as agent or owner.  
P.O. Box 560

Sincerely,

Patent No. 264

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Commissioner.



File No. SK 14849Vol. No. 13-BPatent No. 564

Sincerely,

paid the fees as agent or owner.

P.O. Box 280  
J. G. Risor of Beaville, Texas

by registered mail, as required by Chapter XV, Acts April 2, 1918.

proper county clerk, and when record is fully completed deliver to the owner or his agents, in person or

When recorded by you, kindly forward patent, and this letter, with balance of fees, if any, to other

The other check or checks, enclosed, if any, is the fee for the other county clerk, or clerks, as shown.

Five Oak

County, issued to the Patentee shown therein.

The enclosed Receiver's check for \$ 7.00 is for recording the enclosed patent in

Dear Sir:

George Neef, TexasCounty Clerk Five Oak County

ALVIS VANDYGRIFE, CHIEF CLERK

BAYCON GILES, COMMISSIONER

Austin, Texas, August 13, 1942**General Land Office**

② S.F. 14849



August 16, 1949

Tax Assessor And Collector  
Live Oak County  
George West, Texas

ATTENTION: Mr. W. A. Smith

Dear Mr. Smith:

A tract of land containing 99.30 acres in Live Oak County, situated about 14 miles S. W. from the county seat, has been sold to J. C. Riser. This tract was sold under the provisions of an Act approved June 19, 1939, and other laws relating to the sale of unsurveyed school land.

This transaction will appear in our next Abstract Volume, Supplement C, under Abst. No. 1090.

Sincerely yours,

BASCOM GILES, COMMISSIONER  
OF THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE

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Assessor-Collector  
Notified 8-16-49