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File S. F. 15126

Bosque County

SCHOOL LAND

**Walter L. Brandon
(Good Faith Claimant)
Meridian, Texas**

Acres

Section No.

Block Tsp. Cert.

Act of June 19, 1939

*Void for failure to
complete within time
allowed by law.*

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Obligation _____

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THE STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF BOSQUE

I, JOHN R. COWEN, Clerk of the County Court in and for said County,

hereby certify that the foregoing instrument, with its certificate of authentication, was filed for Record in my office

the 28 day of April, 1950, at 2:20 o'clock P.M., and duly recorded

the 29 day of April, 1950, at 3: o'clock P.M., in the Deed

Records of said County, in Vol. 162, on Page 161

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

By Virginia Eckert, Deputy

John R. Cowen, Clerk
County Court, Bosque County, Texas

APPLICATION TO PURCHASE

(Good Faith Claimant)

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GENERAL LAND OFFICE
CARL F. FINE

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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 Bosque County, Texas, about 1 & 3/4 miles Southwest from Meridian, the county seat, and is described as follows, to-wit:

Bounded on the north by a portion of the south line of the T. F. Hadder survey and on the south by a portion of the north line of the B B B & C Rail Road survey No. 1, on the east by the west line of a 12.5 acre tract belonging to me the applicant as shown on the accompanying deed marked exhibit "A" and on the west by a portion of the east line of a piece of vacant land being filed on by Dr. W. W. McElhannon to contain approximately 12.5 acres the area being given exactly in the ~~surveyors~~ surveyors field notes.

- 3. I am a good faith claimant under the terms of said Act, as is fully shown by the attached instruments marked Exhibit "A" & "B".
- 4. Remarks:*

I settled a portion of unoccupied land ten years ago and later in seeking the ownership found that half of the land lay in the northern portion of the Morgan R. Mott survey and belonged to Ross Johnson from whom I obtained the enclosed deed to gain possession of the east half of the land I am living on. The west half, which I have under fence is the vacant land described above and in the surveyors field notes. I have improved the land by the construction of a home. I am using the land to graze goats and will continue to do so after perchas.

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GENERAL LAND OFFICE

Walter L. Brandon

Good Faith Claimant

Post Office Meridian, Texas

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)

CERTIFICATE

I, _____, 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 _____ day of _____, A. D. 19____, the price at which the area of land described in the above application No. _____, shall be sold, was fixed by the School Land Board at _____ Dollars per acre, all of which is shown in Vol. _____, Page _____, of the Minutes of said Board.

Given under my hand this the _____ day of _____, A. D. 19____, at Austin, Texas.

Secretary of the School Land Board

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Austin, Texas

S. F. No.

15126

APPLICATION TO PURCHASE
UNSURVEYED SCHOOL LAND
(Good Faith Claimant)

of

W. L. Brandon
Meridian, Texas.

WITHOUT SETTLEMENT
FILED FOR RECORD

AT 2:20 O'CLOCK P. M.

in _____
at _____, Texas.

J. R. Cowen
COUNTY CLERK
BOSQUE COUNTY, TEXAS

Filed

19____

Commissioner

Approved
Rejected

19____

Commissioner

Mail to:

W. L. Brandon
Box 215 Meridian

Pd. 1.00

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4/20

Reg. # 2039
CARL L. LIND, Receiver
GENERAL LAND OFFICE

APPLICATION TO PURCHASE

Ex 'A'

B. 210

SECTION BLOCK CERTIFICATE GRANTEE COUNTY FILE NO.
W. L. Brandon Bosque

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.
Rocky lime stone soil laying mostly in deep cut canyons with numerous rock ledges exposed and otherwise thickly covered with Cedar.

2. Type and value of timber, if any.
No valued timber. All Cedar young and bushy tupe which can't be used as post.

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

none

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

\$1.00 per acre

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

\$1.00 per acre

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

75 miles west

7. Distance and direction from nearest oil or gas well producing or capable of producing oil or gas in commercial quantities.

Same as No. 6

8. Distance and direction from nearest drilling oil well.

None in county or in Hamelton County the nearest County line.

9. Distance and direction from nearest dry hole.

3 miles northwest

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

no.

(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 28 day of April, 1950.

Walter L. Brandon

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SECTION BLOCK CERTIFICATE GRANTEE COUNTY FILE NO.
W. L. Brandon Bosque

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

4. Estimate of actual value without improvements, per acre.
5. Estimate of actual value with improvements, per acre.

6. Direction from nearest oil or gas field, naming the field.

7. Direction and distance from nearest oil or gas well producing or capable of producing oil or gas in commercial quantities.

8. Distance and direction from nearest drilling oil well.
None in county or in Nefferson County, the nearest county line.

9. Distance and direction from nearest dry hole.

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

11. (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 28 day of April, 1925.

Walter J. Brandon

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MAY 13 1925

GENERAL LAND OFFICE

File No. 84157196

Nefferson County

Walter J. Brandon

Filed 5-13-1925

BASCOM GILES, Com'r

File Clerk

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"A"

THE STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF BOSQUE

I, JOHN R. COWEN, Clerk of the County Court in and for said County,

hereby certify that the foregoing instrument, with its certificate of authentication, was filed for Record in my office

the 28 day of April, 1950, at 2:20 o'clock P.M., and duly recorded

the 29 day of April, 1950, at 3:15 o'clock P.M., in the Deed

Records of said County, in Vol. 162, on Page 162

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

By Virginia Eckert, Deputy

John R. Cowen, Clerk
County Court, Bosque County, Texas

Ex: B
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THE STATE OF TEXAS, }
COUNTY OF BOSQUE.

Before me,.....

in and for said County, State of Texas, this day personally came and appeared.....

W. L. Brandon

.....to me well known, and who, after being by me duly sworn,
and expect to
did depose and say..... I am using this land to graze goats and intend.....
using it for that purpose after purchase. I do not expect to

develop any mineral resources in the near future unless a discovery
is made near enough to me to make development plausible. I have lived
on this land for the last ten years with the good faith belief that
it was included in the whole tract of 25 acres belonging to Ross

Johnson in the Morgan R. Mott survey. Mr. Johnson gave me permission
to live and develop this land and is giving me title to the portion
of this land that he owns. Said vacant land is under my fence and
within definite recognized boundaries. Adjoining land is under title
passed down from original patents. Nearest producing field is approx-
imately 75 miles.

Walter L. Brandon

Sworn to and subscribed before me. Witness my hand seal of office, in.....Meridian, Texas,

this the 28th day of April, A. D. 1950.

W. H. J. Overton

(Seal)

Notary Public,

Bosque County, Texas.

By.....Deputy.

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File No.

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Bosque County

Affidavit

Filed

5-13-1950

BASCOM GILES, Com'r

File Clerk

No.....

AFFIDAVIT

OF

W.L. Brandon

TO

Public

Filed.....day of.....19.....

....., Clerk

By..... Deputy

FILED FOR RECORD

AT 2:20 O'CLOCK P.M.

APR 28 1950

J. R. COWEN
COUNTY CLERK
BOSQUE COUNTY, TEXAS

mail to:
W.L. Brandon

Box 215 Meridian

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SHERIFF J. H. D. OFFICE

B. 210

Date _____ 19 _____

Hon. Bascom Giles
Land Commissioner

Dear Sir:

Attached is \$ _____ Dollars

Cash fees
Check to cover
Draft rental

Interest on the following:

Please mail ^{receipt} copies _{statement}

to Mr. Walter L. Brandon
Street Box 218
City Meridian
Order by _____
Street _____
City _____

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MAY 13 1960

GENERAL LAND OFFICE

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May 18, 1950

Mr. Walter L. Brandon
Box 215
Meridian, Texas

Dear Mr. Brandon:

Your good faith claimant application to purchase alleged unsurveyed land in Bosque County was filed of record in the General Land Office on May 13, 1950, and assigned file No. S. F. 15125. *SF 15126*

Also submitted were a questionnaire and an affidavit. These instruments have been filed in support of your application. Your application indicated that a deed evidencing your title to the tract of land of which the alleged vacancy was thought to be a part was being enclosed. This instrument was not received in the General Land Office.

Under the law 120 days are allowed for the completion of a good faith claimant's application. All supporting instruments must be submitted within this period. For the completion of your application there remains to be presented field notes, surveyor's report and plat and a certified copy of the deed or other instrument of conveyance by which you acquired title to the land of which the alleged vacancy was thought to be a part.

I am enclosing blank forms which may assist you in the completion of your application.

Sincerely yours,

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

JC/ks
Enclosure
File: S. F. 15125

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File No. 8715126

Bosque County

Covered by L. Brandon

Filed 5-18-1950

BASCOM GILES, Com'r

Campbell
File Clerk

December 12, 1950

Mr. Walter L. Brandon
Meridian, Texas

Dear Mr. Brandon:

On May 13, 1950, there was filed in the General Land Office your application to purchase alleged unsurveyed land in Bosque County, numbered S. F. 15126.

Under the law, 120 days are allowed for the completion of a good faith claimant's application. Since your application was not completed within this period, it became void and was so endorsed on December 11, 1950.

Sincerely yours,

BASCOM GILES, COMMISSIONER
OF THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE

JC:ow
File: S. F. 15126

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File No. 7-15126

Bosque County

It is to Walter L. Brandon

Filed December 12, 1950

BASCOM GILES, Com'r

Ora May Wanner
File Clerk