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# Change of Boundary Lines

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### Acts of 1821 Chapter 169

**1.** That the line running between the counties of Rhea and Hamilton, shall commence at a point one half mile below Blythe's ferry, and run across the Valley to the Mountain, so as to run between the lands of Benjamin Jones and John Russell, thence up the foot of the said mountain to the line of said counties as now run and marked.

**2.** That the dividing line between the counties of Hamilton and Marion shall be as follows, (to wit:) Beginning on the south east corner of Bledsoe county, thence along the extreme height of the mountain to the head of Suck creek, thence down said creek to the mouth thereof, thence due south to the southern boundary of the state.

Passed: November 10, 1821.

### Private Acts of 1825 Chapter 188

**SECTION 1.** That the territory now included in Marion county, lying west of the line, hereinafter described be, and the same is, hereby attached to Franklin county, to wit; Beginning on the southern boundary line of the State of Tennessee, between the waters of Battle creek and Crow creek, at the present point where the second surveyor's district in Tennessee intersects with said southern boundary line, running thence northwardly, with the line of said second surveyor's district, till it strikes the present boundary line of Franklin county, so as to include in said county of Franklin, the territory lying west of said line.

**SECTION 2.** That John Kelly and William M. Quisiberry be, and they are, hereby appointed commissioners and surveyors, to run and mark said line between said counties, whose duty it shall be to perform said duty on or before the first day of April next; the expense of which said running and marking shall be paid by the county of Franklin.

Passed: November 18, 1825.

### Acts of 1829 Chapter 141

**SECTION 1.** That the dividing line between the counties of Hamilton and Bledsoe, shall be as follows, to wit: beginning on the north west corner of Hamilton county, on Walden's ridge near Keedy's road, running thence in a direction with Hamilton county line towards [sic] Tennessee river to the middle of Walden's ridge, thence running a direct line on the centre of said ridge, in a direction towards the mouth of Suck creek, to a point opposite the mouth of Brush creek, the dividing line between Bledsoe and Marion counties; thence to the south east corner of Bledsoe county, near the head of Kelly's mill creek.

**SECTION 2.** That the dividing line between the counties of Marion and Hamilton, shall be as follows, to wit: beginning on the line between Hamilton and Bledsoe counties, at a point opposite the mouth of Brush creek, on the centre of Walden's ridge, and thence with the centre of said ridge, or as nearly so as a direct line will admit, to Suck creek, and down said creek to its mouth, and with the line as now established by law between the said counties of Marion and Hamilton.

Passed: December 31, 1829.

### Acts of 1841-42 Chapter 179

**COMPILER'S NOTE:** The first two sections of this act did not relate to Marion County. Therefore, they were omitted.

**SECTION 3.** That the first and second sections of "an act, Chap. 135, entitled an act to alter the dividing line between the counties of Marion and Hamilton," passed February 17th, 1836, be, and the same are hereby repealed.

**SECTION 4.** That the dividing line between the counties of Marion and Hamilton, on the south side of the Tennessee River, as run and marked by the surveyor General of the Hiwassee District, in pursuance of an act of the General Assembly, entitled "an act to extend the laws and jurisdiction of this State, to her Southern limits;" Chap. 16, passed November 8, 1833, shall hereafter be and remain the dividing line between said counties.

Passed: February 4, 1842.

## Acts of 1853-54 Chapter 181

**SECTION 1.** That the county line between Grundy and Marion counties be so changed: Beginning on the south-east corner of Grundy County, running a north-eastwardly course to the Carlton place where John Lockheart now lives, and thence to the north-east line of Grundy county, so as to include as much territory now of Grundy county as is intended to be stricken off of Marion county.

**SECTION 2.** That the county courts of Grundy and Marion counties may appoint a surveyor of each county, with the necessary chain carriers and markers to run and mark said line; and when done, the county court of Grundy County shall appropriate the sum of two dollars and fifty cents each, per day, to the surveyors, and one dollar per day to the chain carriers and markers who may be necessarily employed in said duty.

**SECTION 3.** That the citizens of Grundy County be authorized to file bills and commence other proceedings in the Chancery Court at Jasper, as they are permitted to do at McMinnville or Manchester.

**COMPILER'S NOTE:** Sections 4-9 do not relate to Marion County. Therefore, they have been omitted.

Passed: March 3, 1854.

## Public Acts of 1873 Chapter 105

**SECTION 1.** That the lines between the counties of Sequatchie and Marion be changed and included within the limits of the county of Sequatchie that portion of the Third Civil District of Marion County, described as follows: Beginning at a point in the line between Hamilton and Marion Counties on Walden's Ridge, so as to run a straight line by the Big Point, where the two suck creeks come together, to the headwaters of Looney's Creek, as it meanders to where it strikes the lands of George S. Smith; then with said George S. Smith's line around to where it comes to said Looney's Creek, so as to include the lands of said George S. Smith in Sequatchie County; then down said Looney's Creek to the mouth where it empties into Sequatchie River; then from the mouth of said Looney's Creek a straight line by the residence of James A. Smith, and on to where it will strike the Grundy County line.

**SECTION 2.** That the County Court of Marion County shall order an election to be held in that portion of Marion County which this Act seeks to attach to the County of Sequatchie, and if two-thirds of the qualified voters of said portion of Marion County, say by their ballots that they desire to be attached to Sequatchie County, then, and in that event, the said portion shall be attached to said county of Sequatchie, and not otherwise. The voters shall have written or printed on their ballots as follows: Those in favor of being attached to Sequatchie County shall have the word "Sequatchie" printed or written on their tickets, and those opposed to being attached to Sequatchie County shall have written or printed on their tickets the word "Marion."

**SECTION 3.** That said change shall not bring the line of Sequatchie nearer than eleven miles of the county seat of Marion County, nor reduce said county of Marion below its constitutional number of square miles.

**SECTION 4.** That this Act take effect from and after its passage, the public welfare requiring it.

Passed: March 22, 1873.

## Public Acts of 1877 Chapter 138

**SECTION 1.** That the following described portion of the third civil district of Marion county be detached from the county of Marion and attached to the county of Sequatchie, viz: beginning at the southeast corner of Sequatchie county and running up the northeast fork of Suck Creek to where the road leading from the McEntire farm to George W. Bridges crosses the same, thence westwardly a direct line to the south corner of Russell Bias' field, thence westwardly a direct line to the southeast corner of Josiah Burnett's land, thence with the southern boundary of said Burnett's land to the east main valley road, thence down the center of said road southwestwardly to a point in the center of the same near W.M. Roberts' and opposite the center of a lane leading westwardly; thence leaving said main valley road and running with the center of said lane westwardly to the west end of the same; thence a northwestwardly direction to the mouth of the Goose Pond Branch at Sequatchie River; thence down the center of Sequatchie River as it meanders to the southeast corner of David S. and LaFayette Condra's land; thence with the southern boundary line of said David S. and LaFayette Condra's lands westwardly to the southeast corner of the same near the west main valley road; thence a direct line to where the Nancy Williams or James Griffith Spring branch crosses said road; thence northwardly at the center of the main west valley road to where Joel Griffith's southern boundary land line crosses the same; thence westwardly with said line between Joel and James Griffith's lands to Joel Griffith's southwest corner; thence

northwardly with said Joel Griffith's line to Joseph Golston's line; thence with the southern boundary of said Golston's lands, and around the same to his northwest corner, so as to include said Golston in Sequatchie county; thence north 50° west to the Grundy county line; thence with the Grundy county line to the southwest corner of Sequatchie county; thence with the southern boundary line of Sequatchie county to the beginning. Provided, the fraction above taken from Marion and attached to Sequatchie county shall be liable for its pro rata of all debts contracted by said Marion county prior to the separation, and shall be entitled to its proportion of any stocks or credits belonging to said county; and provided further, two-thirds of the qualified voters of said fraction shall vote in favor of the change.

**SECTION 2.** That it shall be the duty of the sheriff of Marion county, on the first Thursday in April next, at M.E. Deakins' store, to open and hold an election, at which election he shall receive the ballots of persons living within the boundary above described who are qualified to vote for members of the General Assembly. Those who favor the detachment of said territory from Marion and the attachment of it to Sequatchie county, shall have written or printed on their ballots "For the detachment," and those opposed to the proposition shall have written or printed on their ballots the words, "Against the Detachment." If it shall appear that two-thirds of the votes cast at said election are in favor of the proposition, then said portion of said district shall be detached from Marion county and attached to Sequatchie county, without further form or ceremony.

**SECTION 3.** That this act shall take effect from and after its passage, the public welfare requiring it.

Passed: March 24, 1877

## Public Acts of 1891 Chapter 143

**SECTION 1.** That the line between the counties of Franklin, Marion and Grundy be changed to run as follows, to wit:

Beginning at what is know as Drip Spring, south of the railroad on the line between Franklin and Marion, and running east to Fred. Myers' spring, thence northeastward across the railroad to Bazil Summers' chalybeate spring in Grundy County; thence west along the north bluff of the mountain to the line between Franklin and Grundy Counties, north of the railroad.

**SECTION 2.** That this Act take effect from and after its passage, the public welfare requiring it.

Passed: March 13, 1891.

## Public Acts of 1897 Chapter 312

**SECTION 1.** That the line between Marion and Grundy Counties, at Monteagle be changed so as to make the present railroad the line from the old depot in a westerly direction to where the present county line crosses said railroad at the water tank.

**SECTION 2.** That this Act take effect from and after its passage, the public welfare requiring it.

Passed: April 8, 1897

## Acts of 1903 Chapter 448

**SECTION 1.** That the line between the counties of Grundy and Marion be changed so as to run as follows: Beginning on the Franklin County line at a point twenty-five (25) feet south of where the Tracy City branch of the Nashville, Chattanooga & St. Louis Railroad crosses same, and running thence parallel with said railroad to a point opposite the water tank; thence to the center of said railroad; thence with the center of said railroad to the freight depot; thence south twenty-five (25) feet; thence along and parallel with said railroad to a point where said railroad leaves the Marion County line.

**SECTION 2.** That this Act take effect from and after its passage, the public welfare requiring it.

Passed: April 13, 1903.

## Public Acts of 2014 Chapter 838

**SECTION 1.** The boundary line between Franklin County and Marion County shall be revised so that the new boundary line is established as follows:

Beginning at a concrete monument set in the Tennessee/Alabama State line, the NAD 83 State Plane coordinates for said monument are N 238417.707, E 2006538.893, said point also being located South 89 degrees 13 minutes 00 seconds East, 491.46 feet from an old rock corner found; Thence from the POINT OF BEGINNING proceeding along the agreed boundary line between Franklin and Marion Counties North

00 degrees 00 minutes 47 seconds West, 26,212.27 feet to a concrete monument set in the South boundary of the Franklin State Forest (N 264629.974, E 2006532.886), said point being located South 84 degrees 57 minutes 35 seconds East, 1145.05 feet from a concrete monument found; Thence with the Franklin State Forest line South 84 degrees 57 minutes 35 seconds East, passing through a rock corner found at 421.06 feet for a total distance of 2500.66 feet to a concrete monument set (N 264410.272, E 2009023.885); Thence North 00 degrees 35 minutes 30 seconds West, 58,772.59 feet to a concrete monument set (N 323179.730, E 2008417.090); Thence North 89 degrees 15 minutes 24 seconds West, 1876.54 feet to a point in a settling pond at the sand plant (N 323204.073, E 2006540.705); Thence North 00 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East, passing through a concrete monument set as a witness corner at 337.22 feet in all a total distance of 913.41 feet to the centerline intersection of US Highway 64/41-A and the old abandoned railroad bed (N 324117.486, E 2006540.705), said point being located North 00 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East, 64.76 feet from a concrete monument set as a witness corner.

**SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect January 1, 2015, the public welfare requiring it.

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