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Acts of 1796 Chapter 28

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COMPILER'S NOTE: Section 1 of this act is the only section which affected Knox County. The remaining portion of Acts of 1796, Chapter 28, concerned the creation of Grainger County.

SECTION 1. That the said counties of Hawkins and Knox, be divided by the following lines: Beginning on the main road leading from Bull's Gap to Haines's iron works, on Mossy creek, at the house of Felps Read, leaving said house in the new county, running a direct course to the Kentucky road, on the North side of Holston river, a quarter of a mile above the house of Thomas Henderson; thence north fifty degrees west, to the line that divides this state from the state of Virginia; thence west with said line to a point, north west of the end of Clinch mountain; thence a direct course to the end of Clinch mountain; thence with the ridge that divides the waters of Richland and Flat creeks to Holston river, at the upper end of the first bluff above Boyles's old place; thence up the meanders of said river to the mouth of Panther creek; thence up said creek to the head spring thereof, near the house of John Evans; thence along the main waggon [sic] road to the beginning; and all that part of the aforesaid counties of Hawkins and Knox, contained within the lines before described, be erected into a separate and distinct county by the name of Grainger.

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