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Sincerely,

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The following is a summary of acts which authorized boundary changes for Henry County.

- 1. Public Acts of 1867-68, Chapter 20, changed the lines between Henry and Carroll Counties so that the lands of Marion Wood and N. Swift would be included wholly within Carroll County.
- 2. Public Acts of 1869-70, Chapter 32, repealed Public Acts of 1867-68, Chapter 20, Section 5, above.
- 3. Public Acts of 1881, Chapter 161, changed the lines between Benton and Henry Counties as follows: Beginning at the McCampbell Ford on the Big Sandy River; thence run a direct line eastward until it strikes the Tennessee River at what is known as Wynn's Ferry, taking in the residence of Mrs. Josiah Askew, at or near the last named ferry; thence with the said Tennessee River northward at its meanders to the corner of Henry County.
- 4. Public Acts of 1885, Chapter 152, repealed Public Acts of 1881, Chapter 161, above, restoring the cut off territory to Benton County.
- 5. Public Acts of 1891, Chapter 200, declared that Sandy River be the dividing line between Benton and Henry Counties from the south boundary line of the 23rd Civil District of Henry County up the Sandy River to where the Carroll County line crosses the river.

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