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Change of Boundary Lines

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Acts of 1809 (Second Session) Chapter 20

SECTION 1. That the line which divides the county of Roane from the counties of Rhea and Bledsoe, shall begin on the north bank of Tennessee river, at the mouth of White's creek; thence up White's creek, as it meanders, to the place where the road leading from Knoxville to Nashville, crosses the main fork of said White's creek; thence north, forty west, to the Overton county line. *Provided*, nothing in this act contained, shall be so construed as to preclude the sheriff of Roane county from collecting the state, county and poor tax, due in that part of Rhea and Bledsoe counties, which is east and north of the line described in the before recited act, for the year one thousand eight hundred and nine.

April 20, 1809.

Acts of 1815 Chapter 182

SEC. 1. That all that part of White county, lying east and south of the following described lines, that is to say: Beginning on the old Cumberland road, where the line of Rhea county strikes the same, thence with said road to the ford of Obed's river so as to include all the citizens on each side of said road, in Bledsoe county, thence a direct line to the cross road near Simpson's stand, on the new road leading to Sparta, so as to include said stand in Bledsoe county, thence a direct line to a point two miles north west of Peter Hoodenpyles, thence a direct line to the ford of Brush creek where the Madison road crosses the same so as to include Archibald Beard in Bledsoe county, be and the same is hereby made a part of Bledsoe county.

SEC. 2. That nothing herein contained shall be so construed as to prevent the sheriff of White county from collecting any tax or arrearages of tax that is or may be due from those who are by this act added to the county of Bledsoe, for the year 1815.

SEC. 3. That this act shall be in force from and after the passage thereof.

SEC. 4. That all settlements left out of Bledsoe county, lying on Cumberland road, by the establishment of the above line shall be included in White county. *Provided nevertheless*, That the settlements on Cumberland mountain called Anderson's and Robertson's settlements, and a settlement near Crance's shall still be considered a part of White County.

Nov. 6th, 1815

Private Acts of 1821 Chapter 73

Sec. 1. That the line dividing Bledsoe and Rhea counties shall be as follows, (to wit) beginning in a point on the northern boundary line of Hamilton county, near where the road from Keedy's Gap to Washington crosses the head of Sale Creek; running thence up the general course of Walden's ridge of Cumberland mountain, so as to cross Richland Creek at the bridge on the Kincah turnpike road; thence to cross Loony's turnpike road so as to include the former residence of Richard Walker on said road in the county of Bledsoe; thence a direct line to the old Cumberland turnpike road, at T. Bound's turnpike gate, and that all persons residing near to, and south of Morgan, and west of said line shall belong to the county of Bledsoe.

Sec. 2. That said line shall be run and marked at the mutual expense of Bledsoe and Rhea counties.

September 28, 1821.

Private Acts of 1826 Chapter 153

SECTION 1. That the county courts of White and Bledsoe, shall, at their first session after the first of January next, or some other term thereafter, appoint some suitable persons as commissioners and surveyors, to run and mark the line between the county of White and Bledsoe, beginning at the ford of Oby's river, on the old Cumberland road, running thence a direct line to George Dawson's, at the cross roads, on the road leading from Sparta to the Crab Orchard, including said Dawson's house in Bledsoe county, thence a direct line to a point two miles north west of Philip Hoodenpile's old place, in the road between Sparta and Pikeville; thence a direct line to the ford of Brush creek, where Madison road crossed the same, so as to include Archibald Board's old place, in Bledsoe county.

SEC. 2. That the *expece* [expense] of running and marking said line, shall be paid by the counties of White and Bledsoe equally, and the county courts of White and Bledsoe is [are] hereby authorized to lay a

tax for the purpose of defraying said expense.

December 9, 1826.

Private Acts of 1829-30 Chapter 141

SEC. 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 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.

SEC. 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.

December 31, 1829.

Public Acts of 1881 Chapter 143

COMPILER'S NOTE: The first two sections of this act referred to Cheatham and Dickson counties and are therefore not repeated here.

SEC. 3. That hereafter the county lines between the counties of Bledsoe, Rhea and Hamilton be changed so as to attach the lands of James Sladen to Bledsoe county: Beginning on the Hamilton county line where said line crosses the head waters of McGill creek, thence down the McGill creek gorge to the corner in the Robert's survey in said gorge, thence with the same degree and line of the Robert's survey, running near a point in the old heart road known as the Stoney Battery to the waters of Roaring creek, thence with the waters of said creek to the original county line between Rhea and Bledsoe counties.

SEC. 4. That this act take effect from and after its passage, the public welfare requiring it.

Passed April 4, 1881.

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