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Change of Boundary Lines

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Acts of 1809 (Sept. Sess.) Chapter 79

SECTION 1. That from and after the passing of this act, the bounds of Warren county shall be as follows, (to wit:) Beginning on Cumberland mountain at the south west corner of White county, thence westwardly along the top of said mountains to a point just twenty poles further than a place opposite where Avent, a son-in-law of Thomas Vining now lives, thence a direct course by the house spring on the head of Stones river, to the east boundary line of Rutherford county, thence along the lines of Rutherford, Wilson, Smith and White counties, to the beginning; and that the country taken from Warren county by the reduction of it as aforesaid, shall be and the same is hereby declared to be attached to and held to be a part of Franklin county, any former law to the contrary notwithstanding.

COMPILER'S NOTE: The sections following Section 1 do not apply to Franklin County and are not included herein.

Passed: November 23, 1809.

Acts of 1813 Chapter 70

SECTION 1. That from and after the passage of this act the dividing line between the counties of Franklin and Warren, shall be continued from the place where the present dividing line between said counties crosses the main road leading from Winchester to McMinnville, near Henry Avants, to a direct course until it strikes Bedford county line at the place where said Bedford county line, crosses the old Nickajack trace, thence the boundary line of Warren county, shall run with the boundary lines of Bedford and Rutherford counties until it intersects the present boundary line of Warren county, and all that part of Franklin county stricken off by the before mentioned lines shall be attached to, and become a part of Warren county: Provided, That nothing herein contained shall be so construed as to prevent the sheriff of Franklin county from collecting any arrearages of taxes which may be due to the county of Franklin within the before described bounds.

SECTION 2. That Alexander Perryman is hereby appointed to run and plainly mark the said dividing line agreeably to the course described in the first section of this act, who shall be allowed the sum of three dollars per day, for each day he may be necessarily employed in said service by the county court of Franklin county, and paid by the trustee of said county who shall be allowed a credit for the same on the settlement of his accounts.

Passed: November 9, 1813.

Public 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. Quisinberry 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.

Private Acts of 1835-36 Chapter 36

SECTION 1. That a new county be and the same is hereby established, by the name of Coffee in honor of the late General John Coffee, east of Bedford, west of Warren and north of Franklin, adjoining said counties, and composed of parts of the same: beginning at the store house of William Norton, in Hoover's gap, in the line between Rutherford and Bedford; thence south, eight degrees east, ten and a half miles, to a point twelve miles east of Shelbyville; thence south six and a half miles, to a corner in Franklin county; thence east eight a half miles, to a point twelve miles north of Winchester; thence south, eighty degrees east, four miles; thence north, forty-five degrees east, thirteen miles sixty-four poles; thence north three hundred

and four poles; thence north, thirty degrees west, two miles and one hundred and fifty poles; thence north, sixty degrees west, one mile and one hundred and sixty poles; thence north, thirty degrees west, two miles; thence north, eighty-five degrees west, three miles and two hundred poles; thence north, twenty degrees west, six and a half miles; thence south, seventy-one degrees west, six miles and seventy poles; thence north, eleven degrees west, one thousand and thirty poles, to the Bedford corner; thence south, forty-four degrees west, along the line between Rutherford and Bedford, one hundred and ninety-two poles; thence south, along said line, one hundred and twenty-eight poles; thence a continuation with said line and ridge, with its meanders, to the beginning.

Passed: January 8, 1836.

Acts of 1837-38 Chapter 67

SECTION 2. That so much of Franklin county, as is contained in the following described, bonds be, and the same is hereby attached to Coffee county, to wit, beginning at the south east corner of Coffee county, near _____ Streets, running in a straight line, from said corner to the mouth of Bradley's creek, on Elk river; thence up said river with its meanders, to Caldwell's old bridge; thence with the big road to the foot of Cumberland mountain, near James Petty's; thence with the meanders of the foot of said mountain, to the big road, known as Hollingsworth's trace; thence with said road to the Marion county line; thence with said line to the Warren county line; thence with said line to the Coffee county line; thence with said line to the beginning, including the settlements on the head of Elk river.

SECTION 3. That all the officers, both civil and military, in that portion of Franklin county, thus attached to Coffee county, shall continue in, and hold those offices, the period of time for which they were elected in said county of Franklin.

SECTION 4. That William L. Mooney, Jesse Gorher, and Benjamin Wildman, be, and they are hereby appointed commissioners, to open and hold an election, on the first Saturday in February, by giving ten days notice, at the following places, to wit: at Pelhams', James Cunningham's and the Parmer precinct, for the purpose of ascertaining whether the inhabitants of that portion of Franklin county wish to be attached to the said county of Coffee, and if a majority of the qualified voters, in that portion of Franklin county, thus stricken off, shall vote for being attached to Coffee county, it shall then be the duty of the Governor of the State to issue his proclamation, declaring that said portion of Franklin county, thus stricken off, to be a portion of Coffee county, and the part thus stricken off of Franklin county, shall compose a part of Coffee county, to all intents and purposes: Provided, however, that nothing in this act shall be so construed, as in any wise, to interfere or remove the present seat of justice of Coffee county. This proviso shall be inserted in the advertisement, to hold the election contemplated in this section of this act.

Passed: January 13, 1838.

Public Acts of 1870-71 Chapter 18

SECTION 1. That the line between the counties of Coffee and Franklin, be so changed as to detach from Franklin and attach to Coffee the following boundaries, viz: Beginning at or near the three water holes on the line of Franklin and Coffee, thence south 48° west to the old Shelbyville and Winchester road, by the Flat Creek; thence north-west with said road to the Bedford County line; thence with the Bedford County line to the line of Coffee County; Provided, That the parties so detached from Franklin and attached to Coffee county shall pay their taxes for 1870 to the tax collector for Franklin County.

SECTION 2. That the said citizens detached from Franklin County be attached to the 13th civil district of Coffee County.

Passed: December 15, 1870.

Public Acts of 1879 Chapter 178

SECTION 1. That the line between the Counties of Coffee and Franklin, be so changed as to detach from Franklin and attach to Coffee, the territory included in the following boundaries, to-wit: Beginning on a post-oak on the north side of the Tullahoma and Hillsboro Road, at the point at which the present line between the Counties of Coffee and Franklin, crosses the south boundary line of the lands of A. Kocsis; thence east with the south boundary line of A. Kocsis and others, to the Nashville & Chattanooga Railroad; thence east to the southeast corner of Travis' lands, leaving Travis in Franklin County; thence with Travis' east and north line, west of Blue Creek, thence up Blue Creek (including) the lands of David Hart, in Coffee County, to the Lynchburg & Tullahoma Road; thence with said road to the Moore County Line; thence north and east with the Moore County Line; thence north and east with the Moore and Bedford County Line, to the Line of Coffee County; Provided, that the parties so detached from Franklin and attached to Coffee County,

shall pay their taxes of 1878, to the Trustee of Franklin County.

SECTION 2. That the said citizens so detached from Franklin County, be attached to the 13th Civil District of Coffee County.

SECTION 3. That all laws and parts of laws, in conflict with this Act, be and the same is hereby repealed.

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

Passed: March 24, 1879.

Public Acts of 1879 Chapter 235

SECTION 1. That the lines between the Counties of Franklin, Coffee and Grundy, at their intersection on Elk River, be changed as follows, to-wit:

Beginning at a stake in the line between Coffee and Grundy, 20 yards north of Elk River, and running thence west to the north end of the bridge crossing Elk River; thence with the center of said bridge to the south end of said bridge; thence to a stake in the old line, 15 yards south of said river, so as to place the said bridge on the lines between said Counties of Coffee, Franklin and Grundy.

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

Passed: March 28, 1879.

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 known 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 1899 Chapter 245

SECTION 1. That section 1 of the Acts of 1879, entitled "An act to change the line between the counties of Coffee and Franklin," be amended by striking out all the words in said Section 1 after the word "to wit" and inserting the following words in lieu thereof: Beginning at a stone, with pointers, in the west boundary line of a 1,200-acre tract granted in name of R. Sparp (now owned by Kirkpatrick, and leaving Kirkpatrick in Franklin county), just north of the three water holes (about 15 poles); thence south with the line of said grant 311 poles to the Lanier line; thence west with said line 23 poles; thence north 50 poles; thence west 216 poles to the east boundary line of Joab Short 500-acre grant; thence north with the east boundary line of said grant (about 120 poles) to the southerly boundary line of the old 695 acre Kocsis survey; thence with the southerly boundary of said Kocsis' survey (about 500 poles) to the right of way of the Nashville, Chattanooga & St. Louis Railway at a point (about 52 poles) south of the Anderson (now Dundas) tract; thence across said railroad; thence to the southeast corner of the Travis lands; thence running with the Travis east, north and west lines (leaving Travis in Franklin County) and on to the southeast corner of the Martin lands; thence with Martin's south boundary line and on to the southeast corner of the David Hart lands (now M. Wilson); thence with the south boundary of the Hart lands to the road; thence with the road to Hastings' southeast corner (about 35 poles): thence to the southeast corner of the Crane Oak View tract and the old Thomas line to the Moore county line; thence with the Moore county line and Bedford county line to the line of Coffee county; Provided, That so much of the Hasting, Crane and Thomas tracts as are assessed in Franklin shall pay taxes to the trustee of Franklin county for the year 1899.

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

Passed: April 7, 1899.

Private Acts of 1915 Chapter 146

SECTION 1. That the County line between Coffee and Franklin Counties be, and the same is hereby changed so as to be in part as follows: Beginning at the northwest corner of J. P. Parker's farm, at a point on the west side of Rock Creek, in the present line between Coffee and Franklin Counties and just across said Rock Creek from a stone marker in said present line between said Counties, thence running with the

meanders of the west bank of said Rock Creek in a southerly and southeasterly direction three hundred and twenty-five poles, more or less, to the intersection of said Creek with the south line of Burch Hutson's farm, said point being said Hutson's southwest corner, thence running in an easterly direction with said Hutson's south line one hundred and forty-one poles, more or less, to the southeast corner of said Hutson's farm, thence running north with the east line of said Hutson's farm and Dr. J. A. Mitchell's ten acre tract one hundred and forty poles, more or less, to the County line between said Coffee and Franklin Counties, said point of intersection being a few poles southeast of a stone marker in the present County line between said two counties; so as to include in the Thirteenth Civil District of Coffee County the following lands now lying in the Seventh Civil District of Franklin County, to wit: the farm of Burch Hutson containing about 155 acres, the farm of J. P. Parker containing about 65 acres, and a small strip of land lying between said Parker farm and Rock Creek, Dr. J. A. Mitchell's ten acre tract, a small tract of J. M. Travis, and what is known as "Johnstown Settlement."

SECTION 2. That all laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act be, and the same are hereby repealed.

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

Passed: March 30, 1915.

Private Acts of 1945 Chapter 285

SECTION 1. That the line between Franklin and Moore Counties be, and the same is, hereby changed as follows: By detaching from Franklin County and the farm conveyed to L. E. Huffman, A. F. Huffman and E. C. Huffman by John W. Bedford and wife, Ruth Bedford, by deed of record in Deed Book 69 at page 598, Register's Office of Franklin County, lying in the Fourteenth Civil District of said County; the farm conveyed to A. F. Huffman by Tobe Stewart and wife, Dovie Stewart, and J. H. Stewart by deed of record in Deed Book 68, page 104, Register's Office of Franklin County, lying in the Fourteenth Civil District of Franklin County; the farm of Thomas D. Chapman conveyed to him by J. C. Rolman and wife, Elvie Rolman, by deed of record in Deed Book 69, page 422, Register's Office of Franklin County, lying in the Fourteenth Civil District of Franklin County; and the farm of E. C. Huffman lying in the Sixth Civil District of Franklin County and conveyed to him by Morton Webb and wife, Odell Webb, by deed of record in Deed Book 67, pages 361-362, Register's Office of Franklin County, and attach said farm lands of Moore County.

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

Passed: February 16, 1945.

Private Acts of 1947 Chapter 272

SECTION 1. That the line between Franklin and Moore Counties be and the same is hereby changed as follows: By detaching from the Sixth Civil District of Franklin County the following described tracts of land, to-wit: Approximately 180 acres of land, more or less, owned by John W. Bedford and wife, Barabara Ruth Bedford, bounded on the north by M. D. Gray and Mack Brandon, south by Frank Gray, east by Frank Gray and James Gray, and west by the Moore and Franklin County line; approximately 176 acres of land, more or less, owned by M. D. Gray, bounded north by Harland Bean, south by Mack Brandon, east by James Gray and J. Lee Clark, west by Moore and Franklin County line; approximately 37 acres of land, more or less, owned by James M. Gray and wife, Louise Gray, bounded north by M. D. Gray, south by Frank Gray and John W. Bedford, each by John Lee Clark and M. D. Gray, and west by M. D. Gray and John W. Bedford, and attach said three tracts of land to the Third Civil District of Moore County.

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

Passed: February 19, 1947.

Private Acts of 1965 Chapter 86

SECTION 1. That the line between the counties of Franklin and Moore be, and the same is hereby changed by detaching from the Sixth Civil District of Franklin and attaching to the Third Civil District of the County of Moore, the following described tract of land, to-wit:

Beginning at the southwest corner of a 55 acre tract and the southeast corner of the original tract, running thence north 86° west 28 poles to a stake; thence south 2° west 5 poles to a stake; thence north 86° west 86½ poles to a gully; thence up the gully when reduced to a straight line is north 31½° west 34 poles; thence north 2° east 19 poles to a stake in the road; Thence north 48½° west 10 poles to a stake in the road; thence north 3° east 16-18/25 poles to a stake; thence south 52° east 32 poles to a stake; thence north 87° east 26 poles to a stake; thence south 2° east 21 poles to a stake; thence south 88° east 20 poles to a stake; thence north 23° east 24½ poles to a stake; thence north 37° east 36 poles to a stake in the

east boundary of the original tract; thence south 12° east 20½ poles to a stake; thence south 7° east 59 poles to the beginning, containing 39 acres and 32 poles.

Being the same tract of land conveyed to Cecil Hulvey and wife, Geneva Hulvey, by deed of James A. Durm, et ux, et al, bearing date of January 12, 1950, of record in Deed Book No. 81, Page 479, Register's Office of Franklin County, Tennessee.

SECTION 2. That this Act shall have no effect unless the same shall be approved by a two-thirds vote of both the Quarterly County Courts of Franklin and Moore Counties on or before the next regular meeting of such Quarterly County Court occurring more than thirty days after its approval by the Chief Executive of this State. Its approval or non-approval shall be proclaimed by the presiding officers of each of the bodies having jurisdiction to approve or the reverse and shall be certified by him to the Secretary of State.

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

Passed: March 2, 1965.

Public Acts of 1998 Chapter 652

SECTION 1. Upon approval by a two-thirds vote of the County Legislative Body of each county to which this act may apply, the boundary line between the counties of Coffee and Franklin be, and the same is, hereby changed by deleting and detaching from the County of Franklin and attaching and including to the County of Coffee all of the hereinafter described property:

Beginning at a stake located in the north margin of Oak Park Drive 1145 feet in an easterly direction from the east margin of the Old Winchester Highway and running N 04 degrees 28 minutes E 205.3 feet to an iron pin, thence S 86 degrees 30 minutes E along the southerly margin of Lot No. 68 of said subdivision 202.0 feet to an iron pin; thence along the curvature of Oak Park Drive (if in a straight line) S 14 degrees 52 minutes E 109.2 feet to an iron pin; thence along the curvature of Oak Park Drive (if in a straight line) S 24 degrees 46 minutes W 110.0 feet to an iron pin located in the northerly margin of Oak Park Drive; thence N 86 degrees 15 minutes W along the north margin of Oak Park Drive 200.0 feet to an iron pin, same being the point of beginning.

SECTION 2. Upon approval by a two thirds vote of the County Legislative Body of each county to which this act may apply, the boundary line between the counties of Coffee and Franklin be, and the same is, hereby changed by deleting and detaching from the County of Coffee and attaching and including in the County of Franklin all of the hereinafter described property:

Beginning at a post in the south margin of a public road known as Dean Shop Road (also known as Call's Circle Road) at Weaver's northeast corner; thence running with the southerly margin of said road South 84 degrees 09 minutes East 2,300 feet to a point where the southerly margin of Dean Shop Road intersects with the westerly margin of Landers Road; thence running with the westerly margin of Landers Road South 01 degree 21.5 minutes West 1,850 feet to a point; thence leaving the boundary of said road running North 84 degrees 09 minutes West 2,230 feet to a post; thence North 78 degrees 45.5 minutes West 461.03 feet to a post; thence North 05 degrees 4.5 minutes East 453.72 feet to a post; thence North 85 degrees 06 minutes West 594.85 feet to a post in the westerly margin of a public road; thence North 00 degrees 2.5 minutes East along the east margin of said road 1,210.18 feet to a stake in the south margin of Dean Shop Road; thence South 84 degrees 09 minutes East running with the southerly margin of the Dean Shop Road 1,050.36 feet to the point of beginning.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

Passed: March 11, 1998.

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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