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Change of Boundary Lines

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Acts of 1837-38 Chapter 199

SECTION 1. That the western boundary line of Marshall county shall be altered in the following manner, (viz:) commencing at the point where the western boundary line now crosses Duck river, running thence with the meanders of Duck river down to the mouth of Cedar creek, thence running to the point in Dr. Anderson's field, where present boundary line; and, also the territory lying between the present line strikes the same, and thence with the present line, and the line herein established shall constitute part of the territory of Marshall county, and the citizens residing therein shall enjoy all the privileges and be subject to all the duties of other citizens of Marshall county. Provided, the sheriff of Maury county shall have right to collect any taxes which may not have been paid by the inhabitants residing in said territory, and to enforce payment of any judgment which has been heretofore rendered, or which may be rendered against any of them in any suit now pending in any court of Maury county.

SECTION 2. It shall be the duty of the sheriff of Marshall county, after giving twenty days notice of time and place to hold an election in that fraction of Marshall taken from Maury county, lying north of Duck river, and if a majority of the qualified voters residing in said fraction shall vote in favor of being again attached to Maury county, he shall make return thereof to the succeeding county court of Maury county, and said return shall be entered of record, and from the date of such record the said fraction shall constitute part of Maury county: Provided, that if the territory mentioned in this section shall be attached to Maury county, the sheriff of Marshall shall have all the powers therein which are conferred by the proviso to the first section of this act upon the sheriff of Maury.

SECTION 3. That the dividing line between the counties of DeKalb and White, running north from the four tree mile, on Dibrell's road, be so changed as to run with the line of the eighth district to the Jackson county line, leaving all the citizens residing in said eighth district in the county of White.

SECTION 4. That the line of Powel county as established by this General Assembly, be so changed as to exclude the long islands from said county and to leave them in the county of Sullivan.

PASSED: January 27, 1838.

Acts of 1837-38 Chapter 272

SECTION 1. That the line heretofore run and marked, and now known as Cotner's line commencing at a point eleven and one half miles due west from Shelbyville, and running thence due north to the Williamson county line, and the line run and marked, and known as Bigam's line, commencing at the same point, and running thence in a southwardly direction to the Lincoln county line, be, and the same is hereby established and made the dividing line between the said counties of Bedford and Marshall.

SECTION 2. That nothing in this act shall prevent the sheriff of Marshall county from collecting any taxes or money due on judgments and executions, which may be in his hands for collection at the time of the passage of this act, within the territory over which the county of Marshall at this time exercises jurisdiction, but in all cases he shall proceed to collect the same as though this act had not been passed.

Passed: January 17, 1838.

Acts of 1841-42 Chapter 179

COMPILER'S NOTE: Sections 1 and 3 do not pertain to Marshall County. Therefore, they have been omitted.

SECTION 2. That the territory lying north and east of a line beginning at the south west corner of Marshall county, on the old line dividing Maury and Giles counties; running thence a south east direction to James Reynolds; thence to David Wilks; thence to Thomas Gills; thence south east, so as to strike the corner of Marshall county, south of Cornersville and Lincoln county line, be, and the same is hereby attached to said county of Marshall: Provided, that in running said line, Giles county shall not be reduced below six hundred and twenty-five square miles, to be ascertained by actual survey: and provided also, that a majority of the qualified voters living in said fraction, and voting in the election hereinafter provided for, shall vote in favor of being attached to said county of Marshall: Provided, that before that fraction of Giles county intended to be attached to Marshall county, shall hold any election, or by any other manner, be recognized as a part of Marshall county; said county of Marshall, or section so intended to be detached from and added to said Marshall county, at their cost, shall cause the county of Giles to be surveyed by a

sworn surveyor, who shall not be a resident in either county, or fraction, and if, upon the actual survey of said county of Giles, it shall be ascertained that the said county of Giles will not be reduced below the constitutional number of square miles, then, and in that case, the said fraction shall compose a part of Marshall, as provided in this act; said surveyor shall make return of the plat and certificate to the Secretary of State, and the Governor shall make proclamation accordingly.

COMPILER'S NOTE: Two "Section Fours" appear in this act. The first Section four does not pertain to Marshall County.

SECTION 4(sic). That the constable in the Cornersville District, in Giles county, shall open and hold an election at the town of Cornersville, at such time as he may appoint, after giving ten days notice at three of the most public places in said fraction, at which way qualified votes, being in said fraction, shall be entitled to vote, and should a majority of said voters vote in favor of being attached to said county of Marshall, the Territory lying South and East of said line, as aforesaid, shall be, and the same is hereby attached to Marshall county.

Passed: February 4, 1842.

Acts of 1870 Chapter 34

SECTION 1. That the territory of Giles County lying north and east of the line beginning on the top of the ridge in Giles and Marshall County line, at the west end of Enoch Smith's farm, not far from Wesley Griffis; running thence, in a southern direction with a land, to the Bear Creek Church road; thence with said road to the mouth of the lane in the Cornersville and Lynnville road that divides the farm of P. T. Cox and Richard Wilkes; thence south with the Cornersville and Lynnville road to a large poplar in the road where the Cornersville and Lynnville road turns east; thence with the old Huntsville and Columbia road to the Christian Church near D. G. Ussey's, the same being the line of the seventeenth district of Giles County; thence with the said Huntsville and Columbia road and the civil district line, to what is known as the G. W. Day farm and Easlick's mills; then east, so as to strike the line that divides the lands of S. G. Marsh and W. W. Simmons, near the Cornersville and Pulaski turnpike; thence east with said Marsha and Simmons' line to the southeast corner of said Marsh's farm; thence north to the middle of Richland Creek; thence east up Richland Creek, meandering the same to the point where the Giles and Marshall County line crosses the creek near James Moore's shall be, and the same is hereby attached to and constitute a part of Marshall County.

SECTION 2. That the territorial fractions, taken from Giles and added to Marshall County by this act, shall continue liable for its pro rata of all debts contracted by Giles County before the passage of this act, and the said fraction shall be entitled to its proportion of any stocks or credits belonging to Giles County.

SECTION 3. That the State and County taxes of said fraction for the year 1870, shall be collected by the Tax Collector of Giles County, and when collected in said fraction, the county tax shall be paid to the County Trustee of Giles County, and constitute a part of the county revenue of Giles County.

SECTION 4. That as the public welfare requires it, this act shall take effect from and after its passage.

Passed: June 30, 1870.

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