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Change of Boundary Lines

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Private Acts of 1807 Chapter 37

SECTION 1. That a new county be, and the same is hereby established south and southwest of, and adjoining the said county of Rutherford, by the name of Bedford, in memory of Thomas Bedford deceased; which said county shall begin at the southwest corner of Rutherford, and southeast corner of Williamson county on the Duck river ridge, and run thence with said Williamson county line, to the line of the county of Maury; thence along the same southwardly to the south boundary of the state; thence eastwardly to the east boundary of Rutherford county; thence along the same to the ridge that divides the waters of Duck river from those of Cumberland; thence along the same westwardly, to the southeast corner of Williamson county, leaving Rutherford county its constitutional limits; and all that tract of territory included in the above described lines, shall be included within the said county of Bedford; and all the lands north of the first described line on Duck river ridge where the said line intersects White county line, then north with said line until it strikes the corner of Rutherford and Wilson county line at a place known by the name of Rush spring, then to follow the old line of Rutherford county, as by law established, shall be and remain the county of Rutherford.

COMPILER'S NOTE: Sections 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 concerned Bedford County and are not reprinted here.

Passed: December 3, 1807.

Private Acts of 1815 Chapter 184

SECTION 1. That from and after the passage of this act, the dividing line between the counties of Wilson and Rutherford shall be as follows: Beginning two and a half miles north of the southwest corner of Warren county on the dividing line between the said counties of Wilson and Warren, on the ridge that divides the waters of Stone's River and those of the Cumberland, thence with the top of said ridge so as to include William Ray's present place of residence, Charles Porterfield's old place, and the plantation whereon captain John McKnight formerly lived, thence due west to the now dividing line between the said counties of Wilson and Rutherford.

SECTION 2. That all that part of the county of Wilson lying south of the said line shall be and is hereby annexed to the county of Rutherford, provided that nothing herein contained shall be so construed as to prevent the sheriff of Wilson county, or the collector of the fourth collection district of Tennessee, from collecting any arrearages of taxes which may be due to the county of Wilson or to the United States within the before described bounds.

SECTION 3. That Jesse Brashear is hereby appointed to run and plainly mark the said dividing line and described in the first section of this act, for which he shall be entitled to two dollars per day for each day he may be necessarily engaged therein, which shall be paid by the persons residing within the limits of the territory hereby annexed to the county of Rutherford.

Passed: October 30, 1815.

Private Acts of 1835-36 Chapter 33

SECTION 1. That a new county is hereby established, to be called and known by the name of Cannon; east of Rutherford, north west of Warren and south of Wilson and Smith counties, and composed of parts of the said counties of Warren, Rutherford and Smith; --

beginning on the ridge, the dividing line between Bedford and Rutherford counties, where Trott's survey strikes the same, near the house of Thomas Bruce; running from thence north to the twelve mile tree marked by Joseph Fowler, near Readyville, in Rutherford county, and continuing the same course to the Wilson county line; thence north-east with the several lines of Wilson county, to the line between Smith and Wilson; thence with the line between Wilson and Smith, four miles to a point on the line heretofore run by Henry Trott, Jr.; thence north eighty degrees east, with said line, seven and a half miles, to the line between Warren and Smith; thence north eighty degrees east, nine and a half miles, to the Smith county line; thence the same course seven and a half miles, to the line between Warren and Smith counties; thence with the line dividing Warren and Smith counties, seven miles, to the Caney Fork of Cumberland river; thence up the meanders of the Caney Fork to the mouth of Lick creek; running from thence to Perry G. Magnus's, leaving the dwelling house of said Magnus in the county of Warren; thence to a point a westwardly course, so as to run not nearer than twelve miles of McMinnville; thence to John

Martin's, esq. on a line heretofore run by Henry Trott; thence south, thirty degrees west, seven miles and one hundred and ninety two poles; thence south, twenty degrees west, two miles; thence south five miles and one hundred and eighty-six poles; thence south, seventy-one degrees west, six miles and seventy poles, thence north, eleven degrees west, three miles and seventy poles; thence with the dividing ridge between Rutherford and Bedford counties, to the beginning.

COMPILER'S NOTE: The remainder of this act did not directly concern Rutherford County and is not repeated here.

Passed: January 31, 1836.

Acts of 1867-68 Chapter 13

COMPILER'S NOTE: Only Sections 6 and 7 of this Act applied to Rutherford County.

SECTION 6. That the county lines between the counties of Rutherford and Williamson, be so changed as to run as follows: beginning at the Southeast corner of Williamson county and the North boundary line of Bedford county, running Westwardly with the Bedford and Marshall county line to the Fayetteville and Farmington Turnpike; thence North with the said Turnpike road to the line between Mrs. Crump's and T.F.P. Allison's land East of the pike; thence East with line between Allison's and Bellafant and J. Jordan's, Sr., and Joshua Johnson's heirs, to J. Jordan's North-East corner; thence North to Harpeth river; thence down the same to where the big road that runs from College Grove to Williamson Jordan's old homestead crosses the same; thence East with said road to the Eaglesville, Unionville and Salem Turnpike; thence North with the same to the culvert, near the toll-house; thence East with the big road via John Haley's; and thence Eastwardly to the Rutherford county line; and thence, as at present, with said line between Rutherford and Williamson counties.

SECTION 7. That the line between the counties of Bedford and Rutherford, be changed so as to include the farms of William Williams and C. H. Lamb, in the county of Rutherford; and that this Act take effect from and after its passage.

Passed: December 3, 1867.

Private Acts of 1870-71 Chapter 18

COMPILER'S NOTE: Only Section 4 of this act related to Rutherford County.

SECTION 4. That the line between the county of Wilson and the county of Rutherford be so changed as to include in the county of Rutherford so much of the county of Wilson as will be included by beginning at the Rutherford county line, Kinchen Patterson's, running north with the district line between districts No. 17 and 18 of Wilson county, to Joby Carson's, on Fall Creek; thence up said creek to Tharp and Simmons' mill; thence east with the road including C. Gilliland, Esq.; thence east to said creek again; thence with said creek including E. Preston on the south and leaving Len Phelps on the north; thence east to the Statesville road north of Daniel B. Smith's; thence with said road to the top of the ridge east of Ryal Perruals; thence with the top of said ridge to the Cannon county line.

Passed: December 15, 1870.

Private Acts of 1871 Chapter 148

SECTION 1. That hereafter the county line between the counties of Rutherford and Williamson shall be changed so as to run as follows:

Beginning at the Harpeth River where the College Grove and the road to Williamson Jordan's homestead crosses; thence running north with the meanderings of said river to the northwest corner of Joseph M. Haley's; thence east with the said Haley's and McCord's line to the southwest corner of the toll gate lot; thence north to the northwest corner of the toll gate lot; thence east with said lot to the Eaglesville, Unionville and Shelbyville turnpike; thence north with said turnpike to Spot Covington's north boundary line; thence east to Spot Covington's northeast corner, and thence so as to include the tract of land owned by C. A. Hill, purchased of Jordan's estate; thence south with the line between C. A. Hill's tract and John Floyd's tract to J. K. P. Barrett's north boundary line; thence east with said Barrett's line so as to include W. T. J. Wood and Susan Wood's tract; thence east, between John Haley's and Newton McCord's tracts, to the Franklin and Versailles road; thence south with said road to the Rutherford county line, all the parties effected having petitioned for said change, and it not reducing Williamson county below its constitutional limits.

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

requiring it.

Passed: December 13, 1871.

Acts of 1877 Chapter 156

SECTION 1. That the east boundary line of Williamson county be so changed as to include in Williamson county the following lands, which are now in Rutherford county, viz: Beginning at the northeast corner of the land of W. T. Wood; thence between the land of Wood and John Haley and J. B. Critchlow, leaving in Williamson county the lands of Wood now in Rutherford; thence between lands of K.P. Barrett and J. B. Critchlow, leaving in Williamson county the lands of Barrett now in Rutherford; thence between the lands of S.L. Covington and J. B. Critchlow, leaving in Williamson the lands of Covington now in Rutherford; thence between the lands of heirs of N. McCord's tollgate lot and land of J. M. Haley, along present line to Big Harpeth river; thence up said river to the line between the lands of M. A. Campbell and J. C. Anderson, leaving Anderson's lands in Williamson county; thence between Anderson, heirs of I. Belenfont, W. D. Patton, and J. P. Allison, of Williamson, and _____ Zaney, W. C. Jordan, Joseph Jones, of Rutherford, to Mrs. M.W. Jordan's northeast corner; thence between Mrs. M.W. Jordan and Chesly Williams and William McMeeken, leaving lands of Mrs. Jordan in Williamson, and lands of C. Williams and William McKeeken in the county of Rutherford.

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

Passed: March 24, 1877.

Acts of 1877 Chapter 168

SECTION 1. That the line between the counties of Rutherford and Williamson be changed as follows: Beginning where the Rutherford and Williamson county line intersects the road from Windrow's Church to near the forks of the Unionville, Nolensville and Framington pike; thence west with said road to Henry H. Pate's southwest corner; thence north with the west boundary line of Henry. H. Pate and Henry C. Allen to the road from Murfreesboro to Thomas Redman's on the Unionville and Nolensville pike; thence west with said road to J. B. Jordan's southwest corner; thence north with said Jordan's west boundary line to the road from Coleman Jordan's to Triune; thence east with said road to the original county line between Rutherford and Williamson.

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

Passed: March 23, 1877.

Acts of 1883 Chapter 166

SECTION 1. That the line between the counties of Bedford and Rutherford be changed as follows: Beginning in the Byles road west of the village of Middleton, at Carroll Lamb's southeast corner; thence east with said road to Beverly Harris' northeast corner; thence south to A. H. McCan's southwest corner; thence east to A. H. McCan's southeast corner; thence south to C. G. McLean's southwest corner; thence east with the road between C. G. McLean and C. L. Cooper to C. L. Cooper's northeast corner; thence south to J. M. Worth's southwest corner; thence east with the road running to the Murfreesboro and Shelbyville turnpike, just north of T. S. McFerrins, to where the county line now crosses said road, east of B. A. McLean's; thence with the county line as it now is.

Passed: March 23, 1883.

Private Acts of 1925 Chapter 360

SECTION 1. That the territory of Rutherford County lying in and comprising a part of the extreme northwest corner, and described by metes and bounds as follows:

Beginning at a point on the westerly bank of Stone's River just south of Neal's Ford, so as to leave said Neal's Ford in Rutherford County, thence north 7 3/4 degrees west 900 feet; thence north 10 1/4 degrees west 700 feet; thence north 15 1/2 degrees east 347 feet; thence north 25 1/2 degrees east 900 feet; thence north 45 degrees east 430 feet; thence north 3 3/4 degrees east 1365 feet to the corner of Mose Halton's land; thence north 25 3/4 degrees east 1300 feet; thence north 6 1/2 degrees east 400 feet; thence north 3 1/4 degrees east 1600 feet; thence north 5 1/2 degrees east 624 feet; thence south 88 3/4 degrees east 464 feet to a road; thence north 2 3/4 degrees east 1175

feet to a point on the north margin of the Couchville Road 4 feet east of property line; thence north 8½ degrees east 3665 feet to a point in the south boundary line of Wilson County; thence with the south boundary line of Wilson County northwestwardly 9900 feet, more or less, to the Davidson and Rutherford County line as thus established by Act of Legislature Chapter 145 of the Acts of 1847; thence with the Davidson and Rutherford County line as thus established south to the Stone's River; thence continuing with said line in a westerly direction along the northerly margin of the Fad Alexander estate to a point; thence south continuing with the lines of the Fad Alexander lands to Stone's River; thence in a southerly direction to the mouth of Hurricane Creek; thence continuing with the meanderings of said Stone's River to the point of beginning.

Shall and the same is hereby attached to and constituted a part of Davidson County.

SECTION 2. That this Act shall take effect from and after the first day of July, 1925, the public welfare requiring it.

Passed: March 30, 1925.

Private Acts of 1927 Chapter 444

SECTION 1. That, the territory of Rutherford County lying in and comprising a part of the extreme northwestern corner thereof, and described by metes and bounds as follows:

Beginning at a point in the County line between said Davidson and Rutherford Counties, at a point in the Lavergne and Couchville Road, the southwest and northwest corner respectively of the properties of John Griffin and Roy Waldon; running thence in an easterly direction along the property line of John Griffin and J. W. Walker approximately 4,000 feet to Harricane Creek; thence southerly with the meanderings of Harricane Creek to the Davidson County line between the properties of Castleman and Hunter; thence continuing with the bounds of the present Davidson County line to the point of beginning. Said new territory taken in, contains about 320 acres, and is added to the 2nd Civil District of Davidson County. Shall, and the same is hereby attached to, and constituted a part of Davidson County.

SECTION 2. That this Act take effect from and after the first day of July 1927, the public welfare requiring it.

Passed: April 15, 1927.

Private Acts of 1963 Chapter 170

SECTION 1. That the county line between Bedford and Rutherford County be and the same hereby is changed whereby and so as to detach from Bedford County and attach to Rutherford County the following described land:

"A body of lands, title to which is in James Threet and wife by two certain deeds of conveyance, and Glen Lane and wife by one certain deed of conveyance (1) deed from A. E. Travis and wife to James Threet and wife recorded in the Register's Office of Bedford County, Tennessee, December 17, 1957, in Deed Book 74, page 82; and (2) the easterly 200 feet of the tract deeded from Frank L. Farris and wife to James Threet and wife recorded in the Register's Office of Bedford County, Tennessee, March 24, 1962, in Deed Book 85, page 283; and (3) deed from James Threet and wife to Glen Lane and wife recorded in the Register's Office of Bedford County, Tennessee, January 3, 1963, in Deed Book 87, page 290, which body of lands as a whole is bounded on the North by the Rutherford-Bedford County line and the lands of Faulk; on the South partly by the lands of Estle Threet and Rutherford-Bedford County line and the lands of Bryant; on the East by the Rutherford County Line and the lands of Bryant, Zumbro and Faulk; and on the West by the lands of James Threet being approximately 4 acres.

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

Passed: March 18, 1963.

Private Acts of 1963 Chapter 229

SECTION 1. That the county line between the counties of Cannon and Rutherford be and the same hereby is changed whereby and so as to transfer the following described lands from Rutherford County to Cannon County, to wit:

"A triangular tract or parcel of land at the intersection of U. S. Highway 70S and the old Woodbury-Murfreesboro Turnpike facing 154 feet on the south side of said highway and facing 96

feet on the west side of said old turnpike with a southwest line of approximately 138 feet running from the one to the other of said two terminal points; also, a continuous strip of land six feet in width along the south margin of said highway extending in an easterly direction from the west margin of the above described triangular tract, at said intersection of said highway and said old turnpike, to Stone's River."

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

Passed: March 19, 1963.

Private Acts of 1971 Chapter 182

SECTION 1. A sixteen (16) acre (more or less) tract of land now situated in the new fourth (4th), old seventeenth (17th), district of Rutherford County, hereafter described is removed from Rutherford County into the first (1st) civil district of Cannon County, and the county line between Rutherford and Cannon County at this place shall hereafter run with the boundaries of said tract so as to exclude said lands from Rutherford County and to include the same in Cannon County. The tract of land is generally bounded and described as follows:

"Bounded on the North by the lands of the McKnight sisters; on the South by Hollandsworth public road; on the East by the existing Rutherford-Cannon County line; and on the West by Hollandsworth public road and being lands conveyed by and described in that certain warranty deed from Susan P. Sneed to Mitchell Gibson et ux of date July 6, 1968, of record in the Register's Office of Rutherford County, Tennessee, in Deed Book 182 at page 556, also of record in the Register's Office of Cannon County, Tennessee, in Deed Book 73 at page 109, which tract of land is presently owned by Jerry A. Fann by warranty deed from said Mitchell Gibson et ux to said Jerry A. Fann of date April 3, 1971."

SECTION 2. This Act shall take effect on becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

Passed: May 25, 1971.

Public Acts of 2000 Chapter 679

COMPILER'S NOTE: The following act is a public act of special application and is not codified in Tennessee Code Annotated.

SECTION 1. The boundary line between Cannon and Rutherford Counties is hereby changed by detaching from the County of Cannon and attaching to the County of Rutherford all of the following 4.5 acres, more or less, owned by Gary Rains more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a steel pin set in the south margin of the Halls Hill Pike being the northeast corner of the Carl and Marguerite Neal property (D.B. 258, P. 626) and further being the northwest corner of the property herein described; thence leaving the margin of the said road S 84°31'08" E a distance of 64.82 feet to a steel pin set; thence S 86°42'13" E a distance of 204.41 feet to a steel pin found in place being on the Rutherford County and Cannon County line; thence leaving said Neal property with the county line N 03°32'47" E a distance of 187.89 feet to a steel pin set in the south margin of the said road; thence with the margin of the said road S 58°59'59" W a distance of 50.34 feet to a steel pin set in the margin of the said road; then with the margin of the said road S 58°47'10" W a distance of 277.20 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING containing 0.59 acres more or less, and lying in the 17th Civil District of Rutherford County, Tn., and being a portion of the property in D.B. 407, P. 45 in the R.O.R.C.

This property is subject to all rights of way and easements recorded or unrecorded or by prescription that a title search, deed research or oral witness may reveal.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

Passed: April 10, 2000.

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