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## Boundaries - Historical Notes

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

1. Acts of 1804, Chapter 6, appointed a surveyor to mark the line as run by the Virginia Commissioners from the Cumberland River to the south fork of the Red River, reciting that it appeared that the line, as marked, was marked only for a short distance. Robert Crowell was appointed at a salary of \$2.00 per day, and he may employ a marker at \$1.00 a day, all of which shall be paid by the counties of Stewart and Montgomery.
2. Acts of 1806, Second Session, Chapter 12, appointed James Tagert as a commissioner to run and mark the line between Montgomery County and Stewart County, agreeable to an act of the general assembly passed on July 31, 1804. The act provided that Stewart County pay him \$3.00 per day as compensation for him and his marker.
3. Acts of 1806, Second Session, Chapter 50, provided that the principal surveyors of the first and second districts shall proceed to run the boundary lines between the counties of Williamson, Rutherford, and Dickson and Stewart south to the southern boundary of the state and make proper return of the same to the county court clerk of each county.
4. Acts of 1809, First Session, Chapter 31, created Humphreys County and mentioned Stewart County several times in the description of the new county. However, it seems there were no territorial changes in Stewart County as a result of this act.
5. Acts of 1809, First Session, Chapter 36, named John Allen, of Stewart County, and Dudley Hutson, of Humphreys County, as commissioners to run and mark the line between Stewart County and Humphreys County agreeable to an act to lay off a new county south of Stewart and west of Dickson and Hickman counties. Each would be paid \$2.00 per day for each day spent on this program by their respective county courts.
6. Private Acts of 1823, Chapter 251, changed the lines between Stewart and Humphreys counties beginning at the first ford on White Oak Creek below McKernan's mill, thence north two miles, thence eastwardly to the northeast corner of Humphreys County, at or near David Wills, which lines shall be the permanent dividing lines between these two counties. Humphreys County was directed to appoint someone also to run and mark this line and pay them for their efforts.

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