

On this the 28th day of July, 1986, the Honorable Commissioners' Court met in regular session with the following members present:

Royce C. Smith	County Judge
R. E. Smith	Commissioner, Prct. # 1
Billy Joe McGee	Commissioner, Prct. # 2
Eldridge Ellison	Commissioner, Prct. # 3
Chester D. Cox, Sr.	Commissioner, Prct. # 4
Nadine Gary	Clerk of the Court

Court was called to order by Judge Royce C. Smith. A letter from District Attorney Bill A. Martin was reviewed by the Court concerning the separating of the County Clerk's Office and District Clerk's Office, due to the increasing Civil and Criminal docket of District Court. Also, since the County has a population of at least 8,000, it is mandatory that the office of County and District Clerks be divided. Motion was made by Commissioner R. E. Smith, seconded by Commissioner Billy Joe McGee to separate these offices, effective January 1, 1987. Motion carried. See Exhibit "A" attached.

Attorney R. Earl Lord, along with Mr. and Mrs. Earl Brock, appeared before the Court asking the Court to make a decision concerning the street between the Brock property and Esslinger's. This property was located in the L. C. Hammock Subdivision. Motion was made by Commissioner Billy Joe McGee, seconded by Commissioner Chester Cox stating that this is not a County maintained road. Motion carried. See Exhibit "B".

The monthly bills were reviewed and discussed. Motion was made by Commissioner Billy McGee, seconded by Commissioner Chester Cox to approve the payment of bills. Motion carried.

The Quarterly Report was reviewed. Motion was made by Commissioner Billy McGee, seconded by Commissioner Chester Cox to accept the report. Motion carried.

The Court reviewed a request from Sam Rayburn Estates for a designated *recreational* and swimming area along the property (Sam Rayburn Lake) of subdivision. The Court asked that the Corp of Engineers be contacted in regards to the proceedings.

There being no further business, meeting adjourned.

*R. E. Smith*  
COMMISSIONER, PRCT. # 1

*Billy McGee*  
COMMISSIONER, PRCT. # 2

*E. Ellison*  
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July 18, 1986

County Judge Royce Smith  
Commissioners Court of Sabine County  
Sabine County Courthouse  
Hemphill, Texas 75948

Gentlemen:

I has come to my attention that interest is being shown in seperating the County Clerk's Office and District Clerk's Office into two entities.

Please accept my recommendation that the Office be seperated. The ever increasing Civil and Criminal docket of District Courts certainly indicate this to be very acceptable. The burden upon one office to handle the load of two offices is onerous and lends itself to inefficiency and error.

It is also noted that if the county has a population of 8,000 it is a mandatory division of the office of County and District Clerks. It is my understanding that this population plateau has been reached as of the last census.

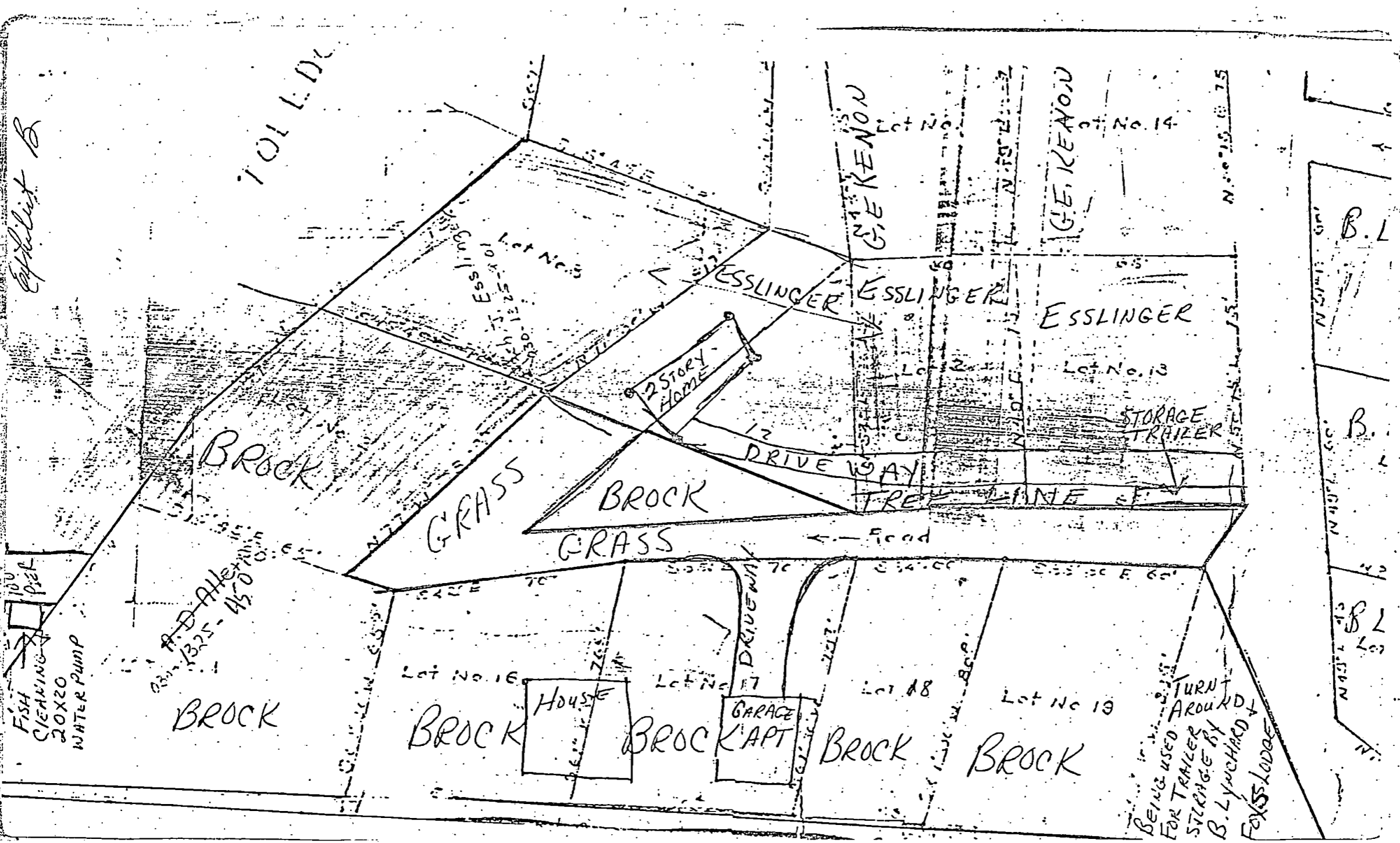
Very truly yours,

*Bill A. Martin*  
BILL A. MARTIN

BAM/vcs

*Exhibit A*

Exhibit B



I, NADINE GARY, COUNTY CLERK OF SABINE COUNTY, TEXAS DO HEREBY CERTIFY THAT  
THE FOREGOING INSTRUMENT WAS FILED \_\_\_\_\_ AND DULY RECORDED \_\_\_\_\_, 1986, AT  
1986 AT \_\_\_\_\_ O'CLOCK \_\_\_\_\_ CLOCK \_\_\_\_\_ .M.  
NADINE Gary CLERK \_\_\_\_\_ DEPUTY