

State of Florida

Escambia County, J. B. Bonifay being duly sworn deposes and says. I was appointed by his Excellency E. R. Perry Governor of Florida, as agent to select the lands within the fifteen mile limit granted to the State of Florida to construct the line of Railroad from the Saint Johns River at Jacksonville Fla to the water of Escambia Bay at or near Pensacola Fla by virtue of the act of Congress approved May 17<sup>th</sup> 1856 entitled an act granting Public lands in alternate sections to the State of Florida and Alabama to aid in the construction of certain Railroads in said States as indemnity for lands which had been previously sold or granted within the six mile limit by the United States. I have carefully examined the list of land grants attached which is a true and correct copy of the original list from the General Land Office as per the Certificate of the Hon W<sup>m</sup> A. Sparks Commissioner of the General Land Office October 8<sup>th</sup> 1887 (A copy of which is hereto attached) certifying that said original list was certified by the Hon Jos. S. Wilson Commissioner October 29<sup>th</sup> 1860 (Copies of said Certificate and approvals also hereto attached) which certified list of land with the original Certificate of the Hon W<sup>m</sup> A. Sparks Commissioner is filed with the selection of a part of said lands by the Pensacola and Atlantic Railroad Company and recorded in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Santa Rosa County Florida in record of deeds Book D at pages 60 to 378 both inclusions. Having been advised that the Hon S. M. Stockbridge Commissioner of the General Land Office has adjudged the said indemnity lands and being also advised of a demand upon the Railroad Company to return to the Public Domain 5,045<sup>00</sup>/<sub>100</sub> acres the list being in excess that amount, and of the consent of the Corporation concerned to the relinquishment of said excess, I have selected and designated to the Florida Central and Peninsular Railroad Company the lands on attached list which were reapproved to the State by recent adjustment not heretofore selected for the Pensacola and Atlantic Railroad Company and excepting the lands returned to the Public Domain by said adjustment. The lands heretofore selected by the Pensacola and Atlantic Railroad Company are designated on this list thus: Selected for P & A R R Company the lands selected for the Florida Central and Peninsular Railroad Company are designated on this list thus: Selected for F C & P R R Company and the lands restored to the public domain are designated thus:

Excess restored to Public Domain

The record shows that the Florida Central and Peninsular Railroad Company being due their lands as constructed, and which was

