The foregoing plat, designated by the letters A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L represent the claim of the Nation of Chitimachas Indians confirmed to them by a decree of the U.S. District Court, District of Louisiana, rendered on the 19th of June 1841, and confirmed by the U.S. Supreme Court at its December term in 1852, all rendered under the acts of Congress approved May 24, 1824 and June 17th, 1844.

The said plat has been made out from the approved field notes of A. L. Gildea, Deputy Surveyor who surveyed T 15 S, R 9 E, South Western District Louisiana, under his contract of April 20th, 1841.

Beginning at A on the bank of Grand Lake, the N.E. corner of the claims and N.W. corner of H. Bernard's claim Section 30, thence S 20° W at 40.43 chains, leave wood lane at 57.36 ch to line between Sec. 23 & 27 10.36 ch East of the corner of Sec. 22, 23 & 27 at 78.43 ch, put post on the left bank of Bayou Deche at B at 83.43 ch cross it, put post on right bank at C; at 142.56 ch to line between Section 27 & 34 at 157.06 ch, put post at D. Thence S 46° W 58.54 ch, put post at E. Thence S 32° W 24 ch 40 lbs, put post at F. Thence S 59° 7' W 18.30 ch, put post at G. Thence N 8° W, put post at H. Thence N 19° E 85.50 ch to line west of corner 7 Section 27 & 34. At 96.06 ch, put post on right bank of Bayou Deche at I. At 104.44 ch to left bank, put post at J. At 120.44 ch to woods at 169.98 chs to line between Sec. 22 & 27, 45.92 ch West corner to Sections 22, 23 & 27. At the NE corner of H. Bernard's claim Sec. 32. At 250.80 chs to Cypress Swamp at 270.30 ch, put post on margin of Grand Lake at K. Thence, with the traverse of Grand Lake.
22° 30' E 12.50 chains 35° 00' (11.80) to line between Sec. 22 & 23 17.10 chs N of corner.
S 34° E 23.00; S 73° E 16.50 c. to place of beginning.
Traverse of right bank of Bayou Cache from post at C. R. 78° W 5 chs S 47° W 18 chs.
S 5° E 15 chs. S 49° W 11.00 chs N 50° 72' W 38.85 to post at F.
Traverse of left bank of same bayou from post at J. No. 50° E 31 chs. S 47° W 15 chs.
S 16° E 40 chs to post at B which completes the survey.

This claim is designated as Sections 22, 23, 27, 31,
26 1/2 1/4 4 1/2 1/4 acres. Sec 23, 13.3 1/4 acres,
Sec 27 40 1/2 1/4 acres and Sec 31 290.66 acres
making the aggregate an area of 1093.43 acres.

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Examined and Approved.
R. W. Boya Sec. Gen.

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