

Meeting House Tract. The Meeting House Tract in fact was stated separately, as being a distinctly different parcel of land than that specified as being in Township 5.

CLUE 9, Deposition statements of William Lanford regarding petition by Jesse Jordan to sell the lands of Henry Jordan in order to equitably divide the estate.

In 1844 Jesse G. Jordan was Administrator of the estate of his brother Henry's estate, and he petitioned the County Court / Orphan's Court to sell Henry's land and slaves in order to enable a more equitable division among the heirs. Henry had died in 1836, so Jesse had probably tried for several years various schemes to get the 5 living sons of Henry to agree upon a division of lands and the four slaves. Finally, he would have realized that only a sale of the lands and slaves and subsequent division of the resulting cash would produce a truly equitable settlement. His petition and bond to sell the land and the remaining slaves is seen in the documents below.