

CASE NO.

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NORTHERN DISTRICT

SAN LEANDRO GRANT

GUILLERMO CASTRO

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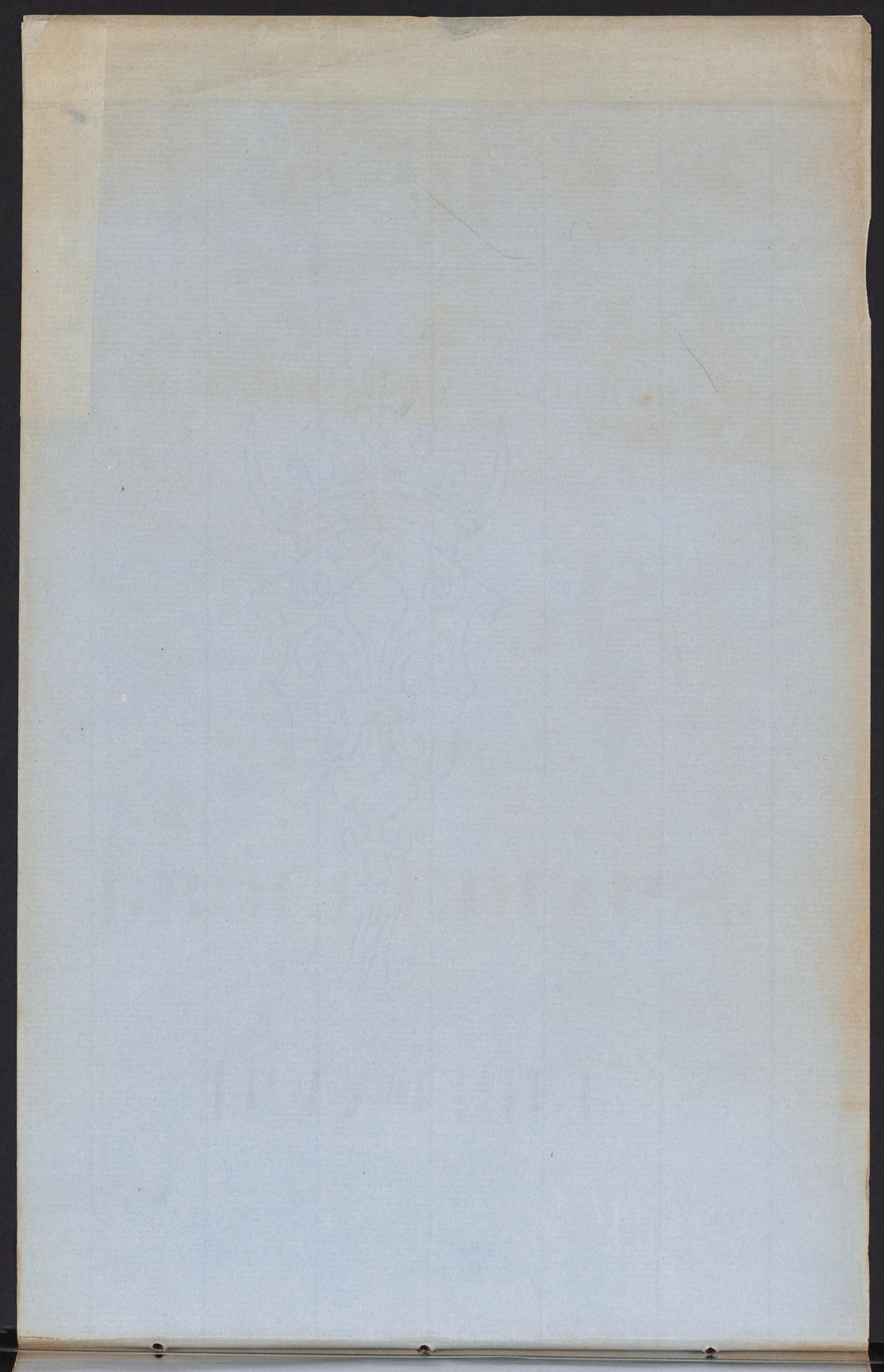
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**TRANSCRIPT**  
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**PROCEEDINGS**

**IN CASE**

NO. 692.

*Guillermo Castro*

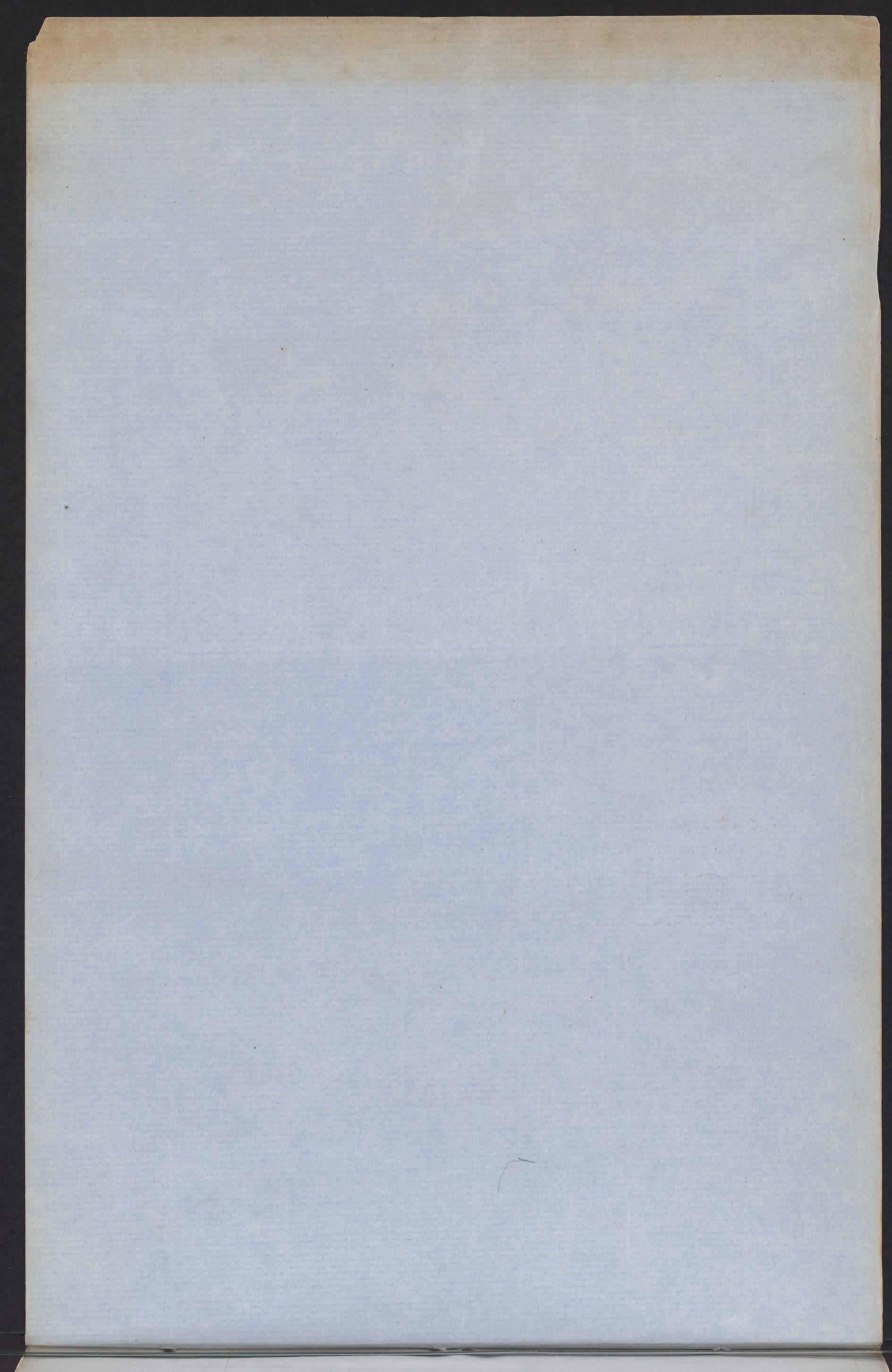
**CLAIMANT**

VS.

**THE UNITED STATES, DEFENDANT,**

FOR THE PLACE NAMED

"*San Leandro.*"



Office of the Board of Commissioners,

To ascertain and settle the Private Land Claims

IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

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Be it Remembered, that on this second day of March, Anno Domini One Thousand Eight Hundred and Fifty-Three, before the Commissioners to ascertain and settle the Private Land Claims in the State of California, sitting as a Board in the City of San Francisco, in the State aforesaid, in the United States of America, the following Proceedings were had, to wit;

The Petition of Guillermo Castro, —  
for the Place named  
"San Leandro," —  
was presented, and ordered to be filed and docketed with No. 692, and  
is as follows, to wit;

(Vide page 3 of this Transcript.)

Upon which Petition the following subsequent Proceedings were had in their chronological order, to wit;

San Francisco January 2, 1854.  
Case No. 692, Guillermo Castro, for the place  
named "San Leandro", was ordered to be placed  
at the foot of the 4<sup>th</sup> class cases on the Trial  
Docket.

San Francisco March 20, 1855.  
Case No. 692 was submitted under the Rule of  
March 21, 1854.

San Francisco May 15, 1855.  
In the same case, Commissioner S. B. Farnell de-  
livered the Opinion of the Board rejecting the  
claim:

(Vide page 9 of this Transcript.)  
And the following Order was made, to wit:

(Vide page 11 of this Transcript.)

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Before the Committee to ascertain

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Before the Commissioners to ascertain  
and settle Private Land Claims in California

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Guillermo Castro gives notice that he claims a tract of land in the place known by the name of San Deandro, situated in the County of Contra Costa in said State according to the boundaries expressed in the grant thereof. Said land was granted on the 14<sup>th</sup> of January by Don Juan B. Alvarado, Governor of the Department of the Californias. It has been occupied and possessed according to law.

The original of said grant, and a translation of it, are herewith filed and the claimant asks to be allowed the necessary testimony & that his claim may be speedily heard & confirmed

By his Attorney  
W<sup>m</sup> Carey Jones,

Filed in Office March 2<sup>nd</sup> 1853.

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(Seal) Juan B. Alvarado Gobernador Constitucional del Departamento de los Californios.

Por acuerdo el D<sup>o</sup> Guillermo

Castro há peticionado para su beneficio personal y el de su familia, una parte del terreno conocido con el nombre de San Servuelo, colindante con el Rancho del D<sup>o</sup> Luis Peratta y con el terreno de San Lorenzo, practicando poniendo las obligaciones y atenuaciones convenientes segun lo dispuesto por leyes y reglamentos: visto todo lo que las facultades que me son conferidas, he venido en concederle permiso para que por la parte de las Lomerias del dho. terreno, sin traspasar la linea que de Norte a Sur forman los agujas del terreno puede establecerse, pudiendo hacer los barrios en cualguna otra parte de tanto el sitio sea proporcional a los indigenas alli establecidos: estableciendose esta concesion provisoriamente hasta que el Gobierno arregle los límites que le correspondan al Dr. Estavillo actualmente establecido en el sitio mencionado.

Dado en Monterrey  
a 14<sup>o</sup> de Enero de 1850.

Juan B. Alvarado.

Manuel Guenyo. Srio.

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Juan B. Alvarado, Constitutional Governor  
of the Department of the California.

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Whereas the Citizen Guillermo Castro has solicited for his personal benefit and that of his family, a portion of the land known by the name of "San Leandro" bordering upon the Rancho of the Citizen Lewis Peralta and the land of "Sandorenge" all the preliminary legal investigations and proceedings relating to the same having been made as provided by the laws & regulations; By virtue of the authority in me vested I have granted him leave to settle upon the rising part of said land without infringing upon the line, which running from North to South, forms the salt water pond of said land, with power to cultivate any part of the said Lito but without detriment to the native Indians settled thereon; This grant being understood to be temporary, and until the Government shall determine as to the boundaries belonging to Mr. Estudillo, who is actually residing on the aforementioned land,

Given at Monterey on this 14<sup>th</sup>  
day of January 1850.

(Signed) Juan B. Alvarado  
(Signed) Manuel Jimeno  
Secy.

Filed in Office March 2, 1853. G. Fisher

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The United States 3 a place called "San Leandro"  
in the County of Contra Costa.

Opinion  
by Comr Farwell

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This claim is based upon a grant supposed  
to have been issued by Juan B. Alvarado on  
the 1<sup>st</sup> day of January 1840 which is not au-  
thenticated by any proofs whatever, the  
claim therefore is invalid and a decree  
will be entered accordingly.  
Rejected,

Filed in Office May 15<sup>th</sup> 1855,  
Ge: Fisher Sec,

Decree

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In this Case after hearing the proofs  
and allegations it is adjudged by the  
Commission that the claim of said Peti-  
tioner is not valid, and it is therefore  
decreed that his application for a Confir-  
mation thereof be denied.

R. Aug Thompson

J. B. Farwell

Commissioner

Filed in Office May 15, 1855,  
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Order

And it appearing to the satisfaction of this Board that the land hereby adjudicated is situated in the Northern District of California it is hereby Ordered that two transcripts of the proceedings and of the decisions in this case and of the papers & evidence upon which the same are founded be made out and duly certified by the Secretary one of which transcripts shall be filed with the Clerk of the United States District Court for the Northern District of California and the other be transmitted to the Attorney General of the United States.

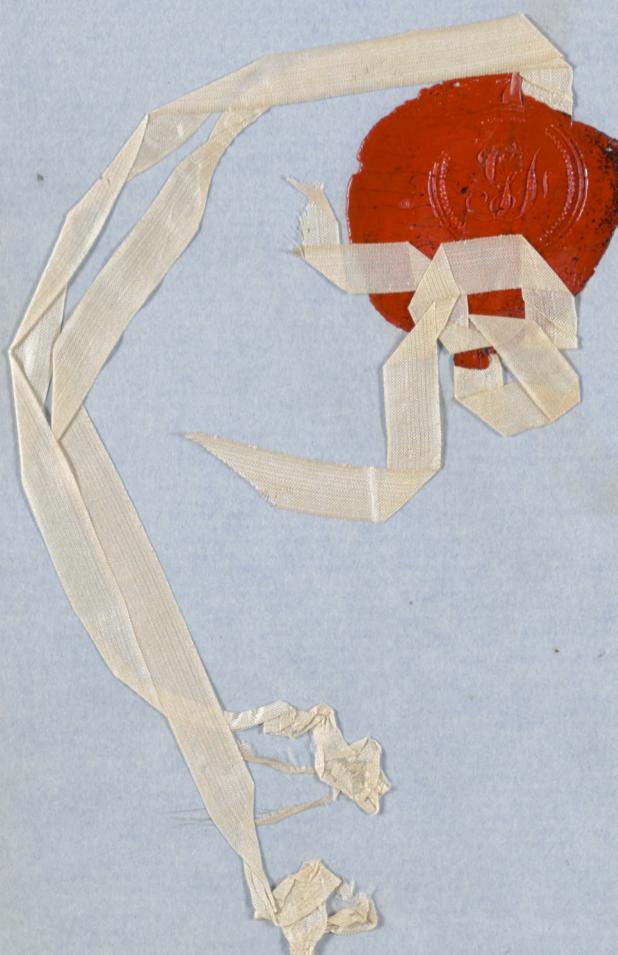
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Office of the Board of Commissioners,

To ascertain and settle the Private Land Claims in the State of California.

I, George Fisher — Secretary to  
the Board of Commissioners to ascertain and settle the Private  
Land Claims in the State of California, do hereby certify the  
foregoing — Eleven — pages, numbered from  
1 to 11, both inclusive, to contain a true, correct and full Tran-  
script of the Record of the Proceedings and of the Decision of the  
said Board, of the Documentary Evidence and of the Testimony  
of the Witnesses, upon which the same is founded, on file in this  
Office, in Case No. 92, on the Docket of the said Board,  
wherein Guillermo Castro is —  
the Claimant against the United States, for the place known by  
the name of San Leandro.

In Testimony Whereof, I hereunto set my hand  
and affix my private Seal (not having a Seal  
of Office) at San Francisco, California, this  
Twenty seventh day of October  
A. D. 1855, and of the Independence of the  
United States of America the seventy-eighth.



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U. S. DISTRICT COURT,  
*Northern* District of California.

No. 337-

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THE UNITED STATES,

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TRANSCRIPT OF THE RECORD

FROM THE

BOARD OF U. S. LAND COMMISSIONERS,

In Case No. 692.

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Filed, November 7 1855

John A. Monroe,  
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In the above stated Cause  
numbered - 692 - upon the Docket  
of the United States Board of  
Commissioners <sup>to ascertain</sup> & settle private land  
claims in the State of California -  
the said Board having rendered  
its decision rejecting the claim  
& title of the undersigned to the  
lands referred to in the transcript  
heretofore filed with the with the  
Clerk of said Court in the premises

Notice is hereby given that it is  
the intention of the claimant in  
said cause to prosecute his appeal  
from said decision

Guillermo Castro

U.S. District Court  
Northern Dist. of California

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Guillermo Castro

Notice of intention to  
prosecute appeal

Filed May 6. 1856.  
Oheros,  
Deputy.

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At a Stated Term of the District Court of the  
United States of America, for the Northern District of California,  
held at the Court Room in the City of SAN FRANCISCO,  
on Monday the ninth day of  
March in the year of our Lord one thousand

Present:

eight hundred and fifty-seven Circuit Judges.  
The Honorable M. Hall McAllister, District Judge.  
The Honorable OGDEN HOFFMAN, District Judge.

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Guillermo Castro. } S. C. 692.

And now at this day, on motion  
of the Plaintiff's Attorney, it is  
ordered by the Court that the  
appeal herein be, and the  
same is hereby dismissed,  
the said Attorney stating to the  
Court that the land claimed  
herein had been heretofore  
decreed to the Plaintiff Guillermo  
Castro, in another case.

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United States District Court, Northern  
District of California.

The United States.

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Order dismissing  
appeal.

Filed March 9th <sup>1857</sup>

John A. Monroe,

Clerk.

By W. H. Cheney,

Deputy.

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Office of the Board of Commissioners,  
To ascertain and settle the Private Land Claims in the State of California.

San Francisco, Oct 27<sup>th</sup> 1855 —

J. A. Monroe Esq.  
Clerk of the U. S. District Court for the  
Northern District of California.

Sir;

I herewith transmit you, pursuant  
to the requirements of the Act of Congress, approved August 31st,  
1852, a Transcript of the Record of the Proceedings and of the  
Decision of this Board, of the Documentary Evidence and of  
the Testimony of the witnesses upon which the same is founded,  
in Case No. 692 on the Docket of the said Board, wherein

Guillermo Castro is —  
the Claimant against the United States, for the place known  
by the name of "San Slandro" —  
and request your receipt for the same.

I am, Respectfully,  
Your Obed Servt,

Geo. Fisher.

