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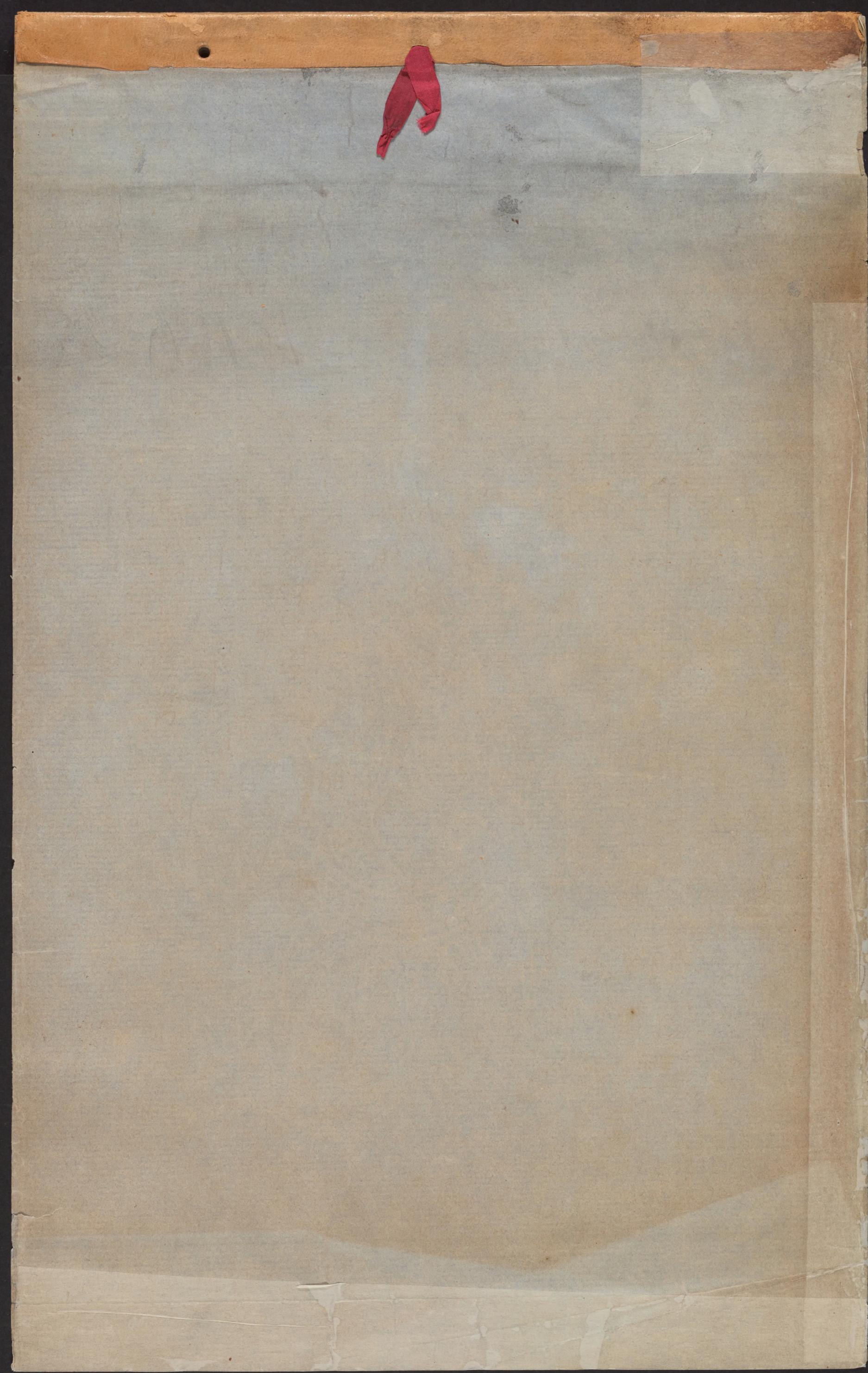
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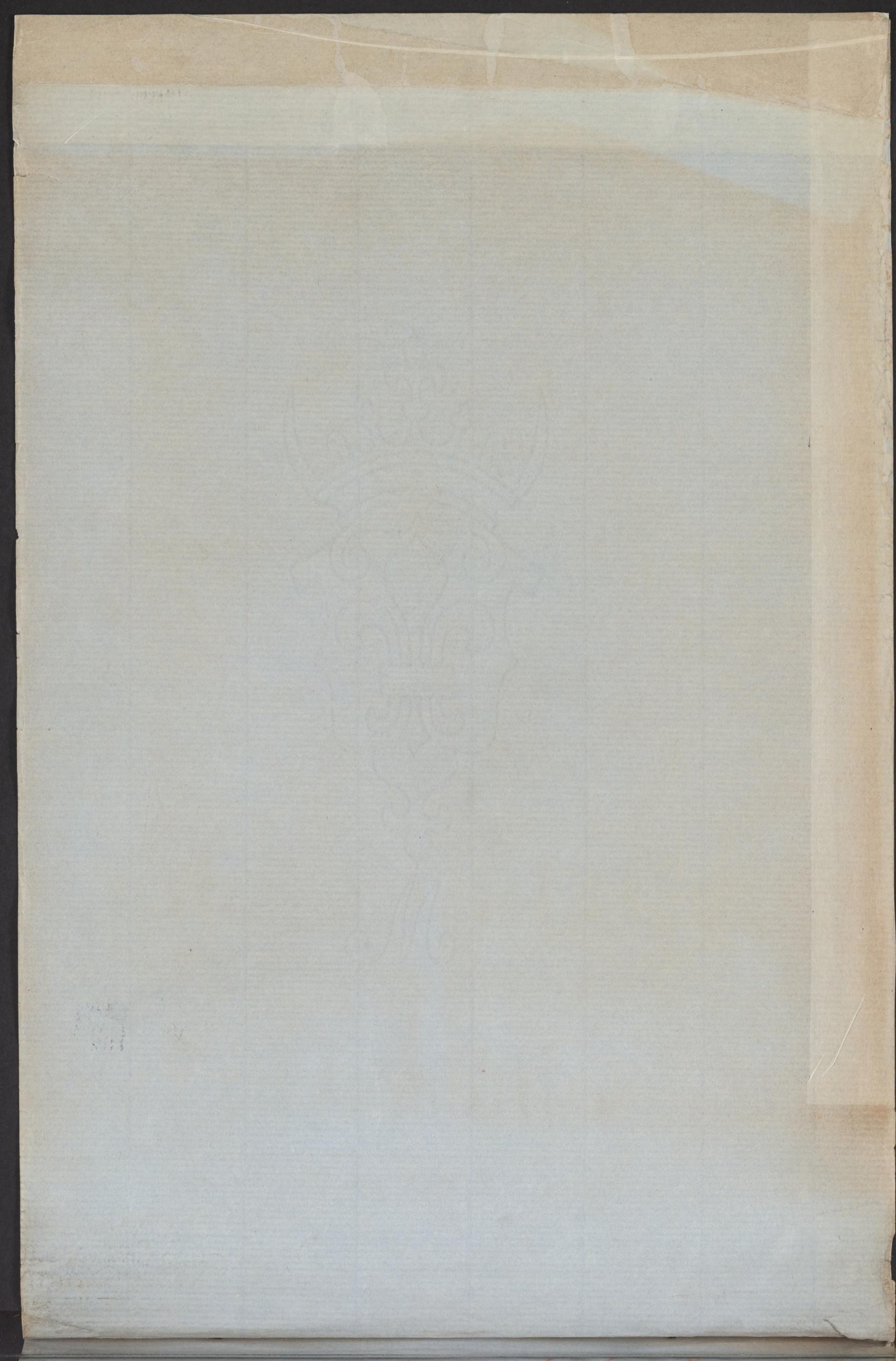
LA CANADA DE RINCON GRANT

PEDRO SAINSEVAIN  
CLAIMANT

LAND CASE 391 SD pgs. 59

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# TRANSCRIPT

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OF THE

# PROCEEDINGS

**I N C A S E**

NO. 283

*Pedro Sainswain*

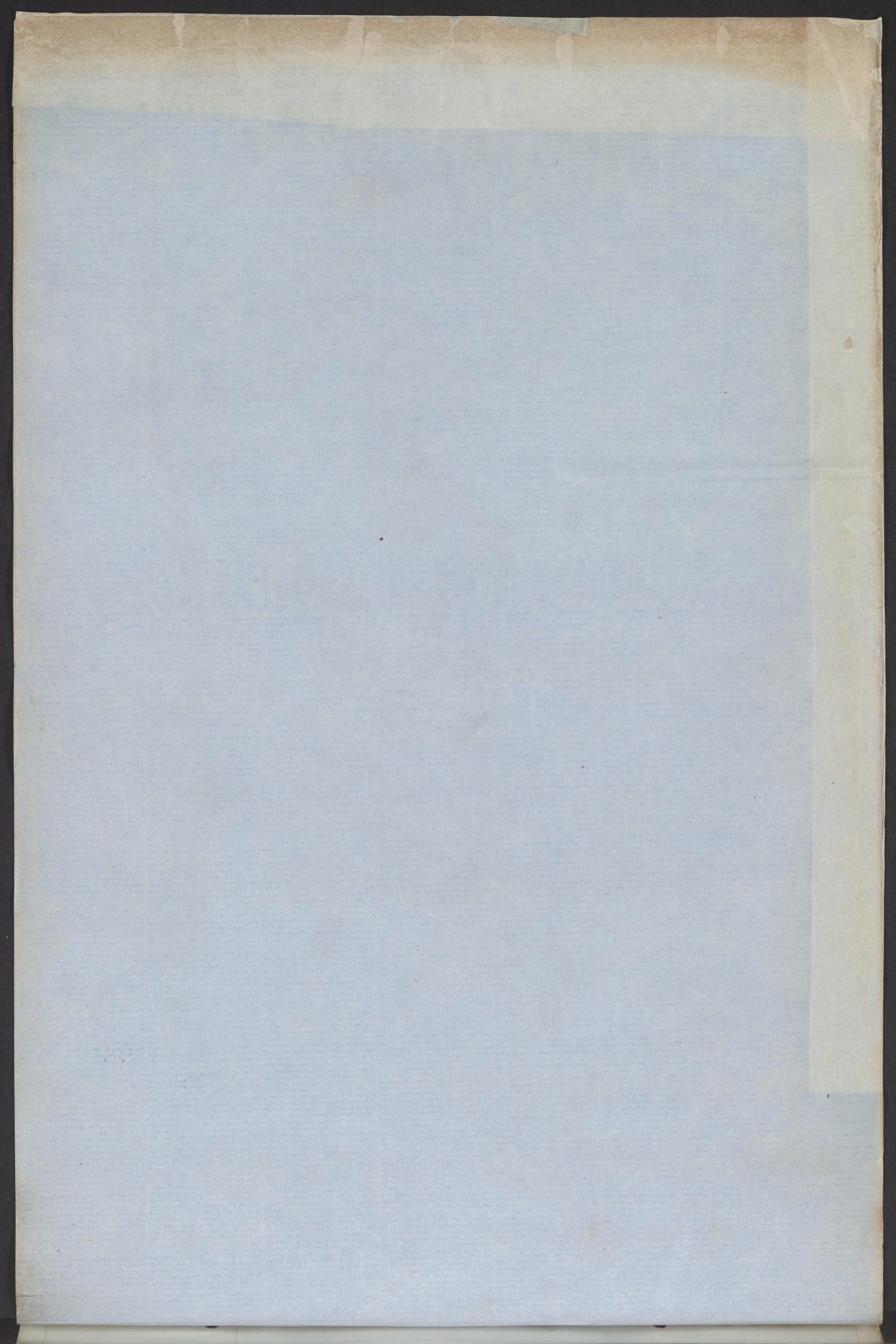
CLAIMANT

vs.

THE UNITED STATES, DEFENDANT,

FOR THE PLACE NAMED

*"La Cañada del Rincón."*



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 sixth day of July,  
Anno Domini One Thousand Eight Hundred and Fifty-Two, 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 Pedro Sainsevain  
for the Place named  
"La Canada del Rincon"  
was presented, and ordered to be filed and docketed with No. 283 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 17<sup>th</sup> 1853.  
In Case No. 283 Pedro Sainsevain for the  
place named "La Canada del Rincon" the  
deposition of Manuel Pinero, a witness in  
behalf of the claimant, taken before  
Commissioner Richard Hall with document  
marked R. H. no. 1 annexed thereto was filed;  
(Vide page 4 of this Transcript)

San Francisco Jan. 20<sup>th</sup> 1853.  
In the same case the deposition of Mr. Fr.  
Fischemacker, a witness in behalf of the  
claimant, taken before Commissioner Harry  
J. Thornton was filed;  
(Vide page 5 of this Transcript)

San Francisco February 16<sup>th</sup> 1853  
 In the same case the deposition of James  
 W. Weeks, a witness in behalf of the claimant,  
 taken before Commissioner Alonzo Hall  
 was filed;

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In the same case the deposition of Charles  
 Rowden a witness in behalf of the  
 claimant taken before Commissioner  
 Alonzo Hall was filed;

(See page 6 of the Transcript)

San Francisco September 26<sup>th</sup> 1853.  
 Case No. 283 called; submitted on Briefs  
 and taken under advisement by the Board

San Francisco Jan. 17<sup>th</sup> 1854.  
 In the same case Commissioner Thompson  
 Campbell received the opinion of the  
 Board concerning the cause;

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To the Commissioners appointed to ascertain & settle  
private land claims in the state of California.

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Petition.

Pedro Samourau, a citizen of California, humbly  
joins & says, the confirmation of his title to a tract  
of land called the Canada del Rincon lying on the  
río San Lorenzo, in the County of Santa Cruz with  
the boundaries specified in the grant & containing two  
leagues - which was granted to him provisionally  
on the 10<sup>th</sup> July 1843, by Manuel Micheltorena,  
then Governor of California & affirmed completely  
on the 21<sup>st</sup> April 1846 by Pio Pico, then Governor of  
California, under authority of the laws & regulations  
in force at the time of the two several grants. He up-  
-sumes that he took possession of said tract of land in the  
year 1843, & put up a mill & other buildings upon  
it & has occupied it ever since. That on the 10<sup>th</sup> June  
1846, the concession of this land to him was approved  
by the Departmental Assembly. That he knows  
of no other claim to any part of the land. In support  
of his claim he refers to the copy of the Expediente  
& other papers marked A. the translation thereof marked  
B. the copy of the grant marked C. all of which  
are herewith filed, & to such other evidence as he may  
hereafter offer.

A. P. Collardon  
Atty for Petitioner

Filed in Office July 1<sup>st</sup> 1852  
Geo: Fisher  
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San Francisco, Jan'y 17<sup>th</sup> 1853.

On this day before Com'r Roland Hull, came  
Manuel Jimino, a witness in behalf of the claimant  
Pedro Sainvain, petition No 283. I was duly sworn,  
his evidence being interpreted by the Secretary.

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The U.S. Associate Law Agent was present.

Deposition of

Manuel Jimino. Question by Claimant.

Ques't 1. What is your name, age & place of residence. If you say that you reside in California, state where when.  
Ans'w - My name is Manuel Jimino - I am forty nine years of age. I reside in Monterey, California & have resided there for the last about four years.

Ques't 2. Are you acquainted with the signatures of Pio Pico & José Matías Moreno. If you examine the document marked Exhibit No 1. now shown to you & which will be attached to your deposition & say whether or not the signatures of those persons whom they appear upon said document are genuine.

Ans'w - I am acquainted with the signatures of Pio Pico & José Matías Moreno. I have examined the document referred to. These signatures are genuine wherever they occur thereon.

Ques't 3. What office in California did Pio Pico fill in April, 1846, if any?

Ans'w - He was then Governor of California.

Ques't 4. Who was acting as Secretary of the Governor at that time?

Ans'w - Don José Matías Moreno, & Don José M<sup>o</sup>, Corambaray were both acting at that time as Secretary. The latter lived at Santa Barbara & the former at Los Angeles - & it depended upon the place when any

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decreve was made, whether it was signed by one or the  
other.

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Man Timew.

Swear & subscribe

Before me Holland Hall.

Filed in Office Jan'y 17<sup>th</sup> 1853.

Comr.

Geo: Fisher.

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Deposition of  
H. F. Tschumacher.

San Francisco, Jan'y 20<sup>th</sup> 1853.

On this day before Comr H. C. Thornton, came  
H. F. Tschumacher, a witness in behalf of the claimant  
Pedro Samisvarri, petition No 283. I was duly sworn,  
his evidence being interpreted by the Secretary.

The U. S. Associate Law Agent was present.

Question by Claimant.

Question. What is your name, age & place of residence,  
how long have you resided there.

Ans. My name is Henry F. Tschumacher, my age  
is thirty years, my residence is San Francisco, California  
in which County I have lived about ~~eleven~~ years.

Question. Are you acquainted in the place called Cam-  
ada del Rio or El Rincon, in the County of Santa  
Cruz. If yes, State where it is situated, what you  
know of its occupations & cultivation & settlement.

Answer. I am acquainted with the place so called &  
have been for some eight years, it is situated in Santa  
Cruz County, near the town of Santa Cruz. This place  
was occupied when I first <sup>got</sup> it by Mr Charles Bonilla

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who lived upon it. He owned a saw mill which was in operation on the place from which I have suspended the transportation of sawed lumber. He had also a dwelling house, & I think two other houses for his workmen upon the place. The only cultivation that I remember was of a garden or small patch for raising vegetables.

This place was to my knowledge, continued to be occupied and used as I have stated up to 1847, & from reliable information has been so ever since.

Question. Do you know or not know on whose account Mr Rousillon occupied as you have stated, at any time of such occupation.

Ans. I was informed by Mr Rousillon & also by Mr Sammair the claimant, that they were in partnership in this property in the years 1843 & 1846. They may have been so jointly interested before that, but I have no knowledge further about it.

U.S. Law Agent present. H. F. Testmacher.

Sworn to & subscribed before me

this 20<sup>th</sup> of Jan'y 1853.

Harry J. Thornton,

Court

Filed in Office Jan'y 20/1853.

Gen: Fisher. Secy.

Deposition of  
Charles Rousillon.

San Francisco, Feb 16' 1853.

On this day before Comr. Wm. Hall, came Charles Rousillon, a witness in behalf of the claimant Pedro Sammair, petition No 283, and duly sworn, his evidence being given in English.  
The U.S. Associate Law Agent was present.

In answer to inquiries by counsel for the claimant the witness testified as follows.

My name is Charles Ponsillon, my age is thirty nine years & I reside at Santa Cruz. I know the rancho called Canada del Rincon. Sainevain & myself built the mill together, but it was built for him. I am now a part owner of the land claimed in this case.

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Swear'd subscribed

Ch. Ponsillon.

Before me

Hiland Hall. Comr.

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Geo: Fisher.

Sig.

Deposition of  
James W. Buckley.

On this day before Comr Hiland Hall, came James W. Buckley, a witness in behalf of the claimant, Pedro Sainevain, petition No 283. I was duly sworn his evidence being given in English.

The U. S. Associate Law Agent was present.

In answer to inquiries by counsel for the Claimant the witness testified as follows.

My name is James W. Buckley, my age is thirty eight years, & I reside at San José.

I know the rancho called Canada del Rincon in the county of Santa Cruz, on the river San Lorenzo. The lower boundary of the rancho is about three quarters of a mile from the church of Santa Cruz. I owned the land adjoining the lower or southern boundary

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of the tract. The southern boundary was very near  
the fence that enclosed my cultivated land. I was  
there four years & sold out & left in the year 1844.  
Pedro Salineau & Company built a saw mill on the  
place in 1843. as I think, & other houses for carrying  
on the sawing business. Such occupation has contin-  
ued to the present time.

James W. Weeks

Sworn &amp; subscribed

Before me

Orland Hall.

Comr.

Filed in Office Feb 16 1853.

Geo: Fisher.

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Expediente  
Promovido por D. Pedro Sainsvain  
en pretencion de la propiedad del  
terreno donde tiene un molino de  
aserrar madura en la misión de  
Santa Cruz

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Dicho Tercero un pedo  
Habilitado provisionalmente por la Aduana marítima  
del puerto de Monterrey en el Departamento de las  
California para el año de mil ocho ciento cuarenta y tres  
Micheltorena Manuel Carta Barrios

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Excelentísimo Señor Gobernador  
y Comandante General

A  
Ejemplar

Ang. Julio 3 de  
1843

Dívose informar  
el M.R.P. Presidente  
de las misiones del Norte  
Micheltorena

Pedro Sainewain Subdito francés  
y vecindado en este Departamento  
como mas haya lugar en derecho  
me presento y digo: Que deseando  
poner una maquinaria de acarrear  
madera, y buscando un paraje  
propio, he hallado una canada  
en el establecimiento de S<sup>ta</sup> Cruz, nombra  
el Rincon en el río S<sup>ta</sup> Lorenzo;

cuyo diseño q.<sup>e</sup> adjunto á esta Solicitud muestra el  
terreno q.<sup>e</sup> pertiendo.

Y resultando un beneficio al departamento  
por esta industria, denuncio en debida forma el mencio-  
nado terreno que se halla valido como lo expusieron los  
informes q.<sup>e</sup> acompañan de las autoridades a q.<sup>e</sup> me  
he dirigido como creo conveniente al efecto.

P. S. a V. C. Suplico si es asequible  
mi Solicitud, me atienda el título respectivo, en  
lo q.<sup>e</sup> recibiré gracia y justicia y juro no proceder  
a malicia

Ángeles a 3 de Julio de mil ocho  
ciento cuarenta y tres.

Pedro Sainewain

Estimado Señor

En debido obedecimiento al superior decreto de V. C.  
fha 3 del corriente, de q.<sup>e</sup> informe a su Gobierno,  
sobre el terreno q.<sup>e</sup> en la Misión de Sta Cruz solicita

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dotor D. Pedro Sainz de la Serna; debo decir a V. E. q: no teniendo un conocimiento práctico del citado terreno, ni noticia actual de si está Valdío, o pertenece a algún individuo o comunidad, no me atrevo a tratar como deseara el satisfacer a V. E. con un informe especificativo.

Sin embargo como presumo q: la extinguida misión de Sta Cruz no podrá cultivar en terreno, bien podrá

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V. E., si fuere de Su Superior agrado, el adjudicarlo a q: n: los solicita; p: el acto de dar la posesión deberán citarse los Colindantes y en este Supuesto, mi dictamen nunca podrá refluir en contra de sus derechos q: en dicho acto estaban muy manifestados, aun que yo respondo ignorar si la adjudicación del terreno en cuestión pertenece o no a algun individuo.

En quanto tengo el honor de informar a V. E.  
con referencia al Superior decreto citado augurando a  
V. E. mi supetiosa Consideracion.

Sta Barbara y Julio 7 d 1843  
Fr. D. M. d C. González

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S.S.R.

## Sello Cuarto Por Reales

Habilitado provisionalmente por la Aduana marítima del  
puerto de Monterrey en el Departamento de la California,  
para el año de mil ochocientos cuarentay tres!

Michellorne

Manuel Castañares

391 SD  
PAGE 13Señor Prefecto del p<sup>o</sup> Distrito

Pedro Sainsvain, Subdito francés  
y vecindado en este Departamento se presenta ante V.  
y dice: Un sündic forzoso para el adelanto de  
sus negocios pone una máquina para aserrar madera  
y habiendo visto en Santa Cruz un paraje muy propicio  
para efecto con el nombre de Rincon en el río S.  
Lorenzo que por ahora está baldío como lo especifica  
el Certificado que adjunto, Suplico a V. se Sirva  
informar al Señor General D<sup>r</sup>. Manuel Michellorne  
Si no hay inconveniente ninguno para que se le conceda  
al interesado dicho terreno.

Por tanto Suplico a V. se Sirva  
acceder á mi solicitud de lo cual recibiré' mercury  
justicia.

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Monterrey Junio 23 de 1843

P. Sainsvain

Como S<sup>r</sup> Gobernador,

Visto el informe del encargado del establecimiento  
de Santa Cruz, es de parecer esta Prefectura se le conceda  
al interesado el permiso que solicita, fijandole a la  
entrega de V.E!

Monterrey Junio 23 de 1843

Por R. Estrada

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Establishimiento  
de Santa Cruz

Por pedimento del S<sup>r</sup> D<sup>r</sup>. Pedro  
Sainsvain q<sup>r</sup>. solicita poner  
una máquina de acurar madera en el paraje dicho  
El Rincon, enclino de S<sup>r</sup> Lorenzo, por presente está

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desocup.º dicho terreno, y doy este Certificado al interesado  
por los fines q. convenga.

Santa Cruz d 22 de Junio de mil ocho  
cincuenta y cuarenta tres.

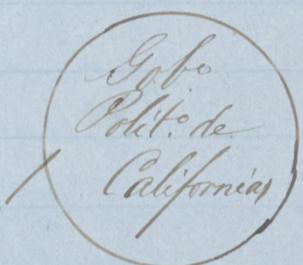
José Bolcoff

Encarg. del Establecimiento de Santa Cruz

g.s.d.k.

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Ang. Julio 10 de 1843

Por tener q. marchar y no haber  
tiempo, y en vista de lo informes  
q. anteceden, diríjalos al interesado  
de título provisional con obligación de ocurrir a que se  
le expida en forma cuando definitivamente se establezca  
el Gobierno

Alchultpa

Monterrey Nbr. 20 de 1843

Conformidad de todo lo apuesto y ante-  
cedentes q. haya a pesar del anterior decreto, informe  
del Oficio de este Gobr.

Alchultpa

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Amo Sto. Gobernador

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Honor. I. Pedro Sainzvain no está natu-  
ralizado y es requisito p.º adquirir, indispensablem.<sup>te</sup>,  
propiedad territorial; pero en consideración á los grandes  
gastos que tiene comprendidos en la fábrica que ha  
establecido en el terreno pretendido, puede hermitársela  
el Corto de madera inter se naturalizé p.º expedible  
el título que pretende.

La disposición de V. E. Será lo que mejor  
comenga. Monterrey Nbr 20 de 1843

Man. Simón

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Leonardo Cota, Regidor Decano y Alcalde  
2º inter. de la Ciudad de los Ángeles 1843  
Certifico: qd. I. Pedro Sainzvain me  
ha presentado un documento del tenor siguiente:  
a) Sello Cuarto = Ciudadano Manuel

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Micheltorwa, General de Brigada del Ejercito Mexicano,  
 Ayudante General del mismo, Gobernador, Comandante  
 General é Inspector del Departamento de Californias —  
 Habiendo Doh Pedro Sainzarin, originario de Francia,  
 cumplido con las condiciones y requisitos que previu la Ley  
 respectiva, para conceder Carta de naturaliza a los extranjeros  
 y acompañado los documentos correspondientes : declaro al  
 referido Don Pedro Sainzarin naturalizado en la Republica  
 Mexicana en virtud de la autoridad que por aquella Ley tiene  
 confiere — El Montevay Siete de Octubre de mil ocho ciento  
 cuarenta y cuatro — Manuel Micheltorwa — Manuel  
 Jimeno Secre.º 11

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Cuyo documento se sacó fiel y legalmente de su  
 original en esta foja de papel comun por falta de sellado.  
 Angeles Atitlán veintey uno de mil ocho ciento cuarenta  
 y seis.

Leonardo Cota

<sup>as.º</sup>  
J. Coronel

<sup>as.º</sup>  
Rafael Guirado

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Exaltissimo Señor Gobernador del Departamento

Pedro Sainzarin cligiano por naturalización,  
 radicado en este Departamento y vecino del Pueblo de San  
 José Guadalupe, ante V.C. con todo respeto paresco y digo:

Que haviendome concedido por el antecesor de V.C.  
 la fabrica de un molino en las inmediaciones de la estinguida  
 Mission de Sta Cruz, revisique los gastos bajo el seguro  
 de haberseme operado el título correspondiente, y cuando ya  
 ataba p.º Concluir la fabrica, y contentito en que nose  
 me pondria obstaculo p.º obtener el documento prometido  
 por el decreto Superior que con fecha / 10 de Julio de 1843 /  
 corre en el expediente que tengo el honor de acompanar a  
 V.C. haviendo ocurrido me encontre que se me negaba  
 por las circunstancias de ser extranjero, obligandome por  
 a que me naturalizase : me sorprende, Exaltissimo

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Santo, y no conviniendome por entonces cambiar mi  
 ciudadania, me contente solo, con que no se me molestase  
 en la empresa. Dijo por conviniene asi, me resolví a  
 solicitar la tal naturalización, y me fue concedida por

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el Sr Gral Don Manuel Micheltorwa, en ejercicio del mando de este Departamento como se informara V.E. por la copia artificada que obra al fin del propio expediente. En tal virtud y siendo cumplida la condición que motivó la suspensión del título correspondiente, apuro se pone a V.E. atenderme el trámite á la propiedad de los terrenos solicitados en mi primera solicitud, que obran en cabera del mismo expediente, cuyos trámites quedan concluidos, por lo tanto

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A V.E. Suplico haga como pido por ser de rigurosa justicia; juro no tener de malicia y bromeasario y a su mandamiento el uso del papel comun por falta del sellado en el lugar

Angels Abril 21 de 1846  
P. Sainsvain

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Angels Abril 21 de 1846

Vista la petición con que da principio este expediente, los informes y mas diligencias practicadas que en él aparecen, con todo lo demás que de tuvo presente y ver convino de conformidad con lo dispuesto en la ley de 18 de Agosto de 1824 y reglamento de 21 de Noviembre de 1828, se declara al Ciudadano Mexicano por naturalización Pedro Sainsvain dueño en propiedad de la Cañada de del Rincon donde corre el río de San Lorenzo en las inmediaciones de la villa de Sta Cruz. Libresele el título correspondiente al interesado en extensión de dos sitios de ganado mayor conforme al diseño que corre agregado y prometase esta Concesión a la aprobación de la Junta Admistrativa Departamental.

✓ Pio Pico Gobernador Constitucional del Departamento de California así lo decrete, mande y firme, de que esto fe

Pio Pico Gobernador Constitucional del Departamento de las Californias.

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Por cuanto Don Pedro Sainsvain, Ciudadano Mexicano por naturalización ha pretendido para su beneficio personal y el de su familia un terreno conocido en el nombre de la Cañada del Rincon donde

corre el río llamado San Lorenzo en las cercanías de la  
misión de Santa Cruz. Colindante con las tierras de  
Don Guillermo Wiquis y el rancho denominado Sayante;  
practicadas previamente las diligencias y averiguaciones  
concernientes, segun lo dispuesto por leyes y reglamentos,  
usando de las facultades que me son conferidas a nombre  
de la Nación Mexicana, he venido en decreto de este día  
en concederle el expuesto terreno, declarandole la propiedad  
de él por las presentes letras, entendiendose dhal condeccio  
de entera conformidad con las leyes, avés de la aprobación  
de la Honorable Asamblea Departamental y bajo las condiciones  
siguientes:

1<sup>a</sup> Podrá cercarlo sin perjudicar las trarectas,  
camino y sendumbres; lo disfrutará libre y exclusivamente  
dedicandolo al uso y cultivo que mas le acomode.

2<sup>a</sup> Solicitará del Juez respectivo le de la  
posesión jurídica en virtud de este despacho por el qual  
se dimarcaron los límites respectivos, en los lugares  
pondrá el interesado las mejoras necesarias.

3<sup>a</sup> El terreno de que se hace donación es  
17 S.D.K. paramante el de dos sitios de ganado mayor conforme al  
diáño que corre agregado al expediente original. El Juez  
que otorga la posesión lo hará medir con anglo d' ordenanza  
siendo el sobrante á la Nación para los usos convenientes.

In Condeccuancia mando que tenimbre por firme  
y valedoro el presente título, se tome razón de él en el libro  
a que corresponde y se entregue al interesado para ser guardado  
y demás fines. Dado en la Ciudad de los Angeles en  
este papel comun por falta de sellado a veinte y uno de  
Abril de mil ochenta y cuatro y seis.

Queda tomada razón de este Superior despacho  
en el dicho respectivo.

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Angels Mayo 8 de 1846

Dada cuenta en sesión de hoy con este expediente  
á la C. Asamblea Departamental, se mando poner  
á la Comisión de terrenos Valdios.

Pío Pío Presid.

Agustín Olvera S.S.

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Sr  
Senor

La Comisión de terrenos valdios á examinado el  
presente Exped. promovido por el Ciudad. P. Naturalización  
Pedro Sainzain del paraje nombrado El Rincon  
donde corre el Rio S. Lorenzo q. le fué concedido p. el  
Gob. Departamental conforme a las leyes de la  
materia; en esta virtud pone á la deliberación de V.E.  
la proposición siguiente:

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Se aprueba la Concesión hecha al Ciudad.  
P. Naturalización Pedro Sainzain del paraje nombrado  
Rincon en el Rio de San Lorenzo, jurisdicción de Monterrey,  
cuyo título librado en fecha 21 de Abril de este año, conforme  
a la ley de 18 de Agosto de 1824 y al art. 5º del reglamento  
de 21 de Septiembre de 1828.

Salvo Comis. en la ciudad de los Angeles  
Junio 2<sup>d</sup> 1846

S. Arquillo

Angeles 10 de Junio de 1846

En sesión de este día aprobo la misma Asamblea  
Departamental la proposición del dictamen anterior

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Office of the Surveyor General of the United  
States for California.

I, Samuel D. King, Surveyor General  
of the United States for the State of California, and  
as such, now having in my office and under my control  
a portion of the archives of the former Spanish and  
Mexican Territory or Department of Upper California,  
do hereby certify that the nineteen preceding and hereunto  
annexed pages of tracing paper, numbered from one to nineteen  
inclusive, and each of which is verified by my initials  
(S. D. K.) exhibit true and accurate copies of certain  
documents on file and forming part of the said archive,  
in this office.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto

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Signed my name officially, and affixed my private seal  
of not having a seal of office at the City of San Francisco  
Cal, this 17<sup>th</sup> day of May 1852

Sam'l D. King  
Surv Genl Cal

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Filed in Office July 6<sup>th</sup> 1852  
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## Sello tercero. Un peso.

Habilitado provisionalsmente por la Aduana Marítima  
del Puerto de Monterey en el Departamento de las California  
formas para el año de mil ochocientos cuarenta y tres.  
Micheltornea. Manuel Castanares

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Español

To the Most Excellent Governor Genl. in Chief.

I. Pedro Sainsvain, a French subject, resident in this  
Department in the manner which may be most effective  
in law, present myself & say.— that being desirous of erecting  
a saw mill & in search of a proper place I have found  
in the settlement of Santa Cruz, a valley named the Rio-  
con upon the river San Lorenzo—the plan of which accom-  
panying this petition, shows the land which I desire to  
claim my enterprise being a benefit to the Department,  
I demand in proper form the land above referred to,  
which is vacant as appears from the information her-  
eto attached given by the notthorities to whom I have applied  
as I believe is requisite, wherein if it is possible to grant  
my request—I pray that the proper title may be given me  
wherby I shall secure favor & justice, I swear that I do  
not proceed with malice &c.

Angels, July 7<sup>th</sup> 1843.

Pedro Sainsvain.

Let the Rev. Father, the President of the Mission of the  
North give the necessary information. Angels, July 7<sup>th</sup>  
1843. Micheltornea.

Excellent Sir.

In obedience to the superior desire of your  
Ex<sup>cy</sup> of the 7<sup>th</sup> inst—that I should give information to  
the government in relation to the land of the Mission  
of Santa Cruz, which Pedro Sainsvain solicits, I should  
say to your Ex<sup>cy</sup> that having no actual knowledge of  
this land or certain information whether it is vacant

or the property of some individual or community, it is not in my power, as I should wish to satisfy your Excellency with any precise information, nevertheless as I presume that the late Minors of St. Cruz will not be able to cultivate this land your Excellency may well grant it to whomsoever may solicit it, if you should think proper to do so, but when possession is given the adjoining proprietors should be consulted in that event their rights cannot be affected since they will have the opportunity of asserting them still, I repeat I am ignorant whether this land does or does not belong to any individual. This is what I have the honor to say to your Excellency of my respectful consideration.

Santa Barbara, July 7<sup>th</sup> 1843.

To the Prefect of the First District.  
To the Prefect of the First District.

I, Pedro Sainzraim a French subject & resident in this department, present myself before you to say that being obliged to put up a saw mill in order to carry on my business of sawing wood at Santa Cruz a place very appropriate for the purpose, called the Rancho upon the river San Lorenzo which is now vacant as the accompanying certificate shows, I request you to inform Govt Manl. McCalluma whether there are any objections to his granting me this land, I beseech you to grant my request as a favor & an act of justice.

Montejo, June 23<sup>rd</sup> 1843.

Pedro Sainzraim

To his Excellency the Governor.

In view of the information of the establishment of Santa Cruz it is the opinion of this prefecture that the succession which he solicits may be granted to the applicant. - if thought proper by your Excellency.

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Monterey June 23<sup>rd</sup> 1843. J. W. Estrada.

Establishment of Santa Cruz.

At the request of Don Pedro Samourain who solicited permission to erect a saw mill on the place called the Rincon on the river San Lorenzo, that said land being at present unoccupied, I give him this certificate for the purposes he deems suitable.

Santa Cruz June 22<sup>nd</sup> 1843. J.

Jose Bolcoff.

Superintendent of the Establishment of Sta Cruz.  
Government of the Department of California  
Angles July 10<sup>th</sup> 1843.

Being upon a journey & wanting time, in view of the preceding information (reports) I give this to the party intended to serve him as a provisional title, requiring him to have it made out in form when the government may be definitely established.

Micheltonna.

Monterey November 20<sup>th</sup> 1843.

In view of all the foregoing & notwithstanding the forementioned let the Secretary of this government report.

Micheltonna.

To his Excellency the Governor.

Don Pedro Samourain is not naturalized an indispensable requisite in order to obtain acquire property in this territory, but in consideration of the great expense which he has incurred in making works upon the land he desires to obtain, he may be permitted to cut wood upon it until he is naturalized & can secure the title he desires, what your Excellency directs will be best. Monterey Nov 20<sup>th</sup> 1843.

Manuel Jimino.

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Leonardo Cota Regidor de <sup>of Alcalde 2<sup>o</sup> inter.</sup>  
 of the City of Los Angeles do. I certify that Don Pedro  
 Samievain has presented to me a document of the fol-  
 lowing tenor - Sello cuarto - The citizen Manuel  
 Michelena Brigadier Genl. of the Mexican Army,  
 Adjutant Genl. of the same, Commanding Genl. and  
 Inspector of the Department of the California - Don  
 Pedro Samievain, a native of France, having complied  
 with the conditions & requisites prescribed by law for  
 the grant of a letter of naturalization to a foreigner &  
 having presented the proper paper, I declare him natural-  
 alized in the Mexican Republic in virtue of the au-  
 thority conferred by law.

Monterey 7<sup>th</sup> October 1844. Manuel Michelena  
 Manuel Jimino. Secretary.

which document is here faithfully & legally copied  
 from the original upon this sheet of common paper  
 for want of sealed, Angeles, 21<sup>st</sup> April 1846.

Witness

Leonardo Cota.

Ignacio Coronel.

Rafael Guisardo.

To His Excellency the Governor of the Department.  
 I, Pedro Samievain, a Mexican by naturalization settled  
 in this department & resident of the Pueblo de San José  
 Guadalupe, respectfully present myself before your Excellency  
 to say - That the right to build a mill in the vicinity of  
 the late mission of Santa Cruz having been granted  
 to by your predecessor, I incurred great expense in so doing  
 relying upon the paper title which it was promised me  
 should be made when the mill was about to be finished  
 & that in the mean time I should not be disturbed,-  
 That I applied to obtain this title promised me by the  
 superior decree dated July 10<sup>th</sup> 1843 as appears from

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the paper, which I have the honor to lay before you, it was refused me because I was a foreigner & I was required to be naturalized, this surprised me, your Excellency & I not being then disposed to change my citizenship was satisfied with the assurance that I should not be disturbed in my undertaking. Afterwards it being convenient, I resolved to ask this naturalization, which was granted me by Govr Mal McLellan, commanding this department, as your Excellency will see from the certified copy which accompanies this expediente. Wherefore the condition being fulfilled which caused the suspension of the title to the land solicited in my first petition, at the commencement of the expediente in which all the steps have been taken. I beseech your Excellency to grant what I request as of right, I swear that I do not proceed maliciously &c, the use of common paper being permitted for want of valid in this place.

Angles, April 21. 1846.

Pedro Samorain

Angles, April 21<sup>st</sup> 1846.

In view of the petition with which this substitution begins, the reports which are here made, & all other things in the premises & it being in conformity with the decisions of the law of August 18<sup>th</sup> 1824 & the regulations of November 21<sup>st</sup> 1828, Pedro Samorain, a Mexican citizen by naturalization is declared owner in full property of the valley of the Rincon, in which flows the river San Lorenzo, on the vicinity of Santa Cruz. Let the property title be delivered to him for two leagues of the larger size in conformity to the map which accompanies this. This concession to be subject to the approbation of the Most Excellent Departmental Assembly.

O. P. P., Constitutional Governor of the

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Department of the Californias.

Whereas Don Pedro Sarmiento a Mexican citizen by naturalization, has solicited for his personal benefit & that of his family, a tract of land known by the name of the Canada del Rincon, where the river San Joaquin runs, in the vicinity of the Mission of St. Lbz bounded by the own lands of Don Guillermo Urigüen & the rancho called Sacante, the necessary steps and inquiries having been taken in the premises, as required by law & the regulations, by virtue of the powers which are conferred upon me in the name of the Mexican Nation I have thought proper by a decree of this day to grant the said land to him deeming it his full property by these presents - It being understood that this concession is in entire conformity with the laws, subject to the approbation of the Excellent Departmental Council & upon the following conditions:

1<sup>o</sup>. He shall have power to enclose it without interfering with the crossings, roads & routes, he may enjoy it fully & exclusively, devoting it to the use or cultivation which he may prefer.

2<sup>o</sup>. He shall wait of the proper Judge to be put in judicial possession in virtue of this patent - by whom shall be marked out the proper boundaries, on which the party interested shall put the first necessary monuments.

3<sup>o</sup>. The land hereby granted is two leagues of the larger size in conformity with the map which accompanies the original expediente. The Judge who shall give possession shall have it measured as required by law, leaving the surplus to the nation for its own uses.

Wherefore I order that this title being

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(recog) n regarded as form & valid, shall be recorded in the proper book & be delivered to the party for his protection & other purposes. Given in the city of Los Angeles upon this common paper for want of sealed paper the 21<sup>st</sup> April 1846.

Let this be registered in the proper book.

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Angles May 8<sup>th</sup> 1846.

I give notice of this expediente to the departmental Assembly in its session of to-day.

Referred to the Committee on vacant lands.

Agustín Olvera. Ds. Pro Psc. Pres.

The committee on vacant lands has examined this expediente, presented by the naturalized citizen Pedro Saizerrain of the place called the Rincon, where the river San Lorenzo runs, granted by the Governor in conformity to the laws upon this subject & presents for your deliberation the following proposition. The concession made to the naturalized citizen Pedro Saizerrain of the place called the Rincon on the river San Lorenzo, in the jurisdiction of Monterey, according to the title of the 21 of April of the present year in conformity to the law of the 18<sup>th</sup> August 1824 & the 3<sup>rd</sup> Article of the regulation of the 21<sup>st</sup> of Nov 1828 is approved.

Hall of the Committee in the city of Los Angeles  
June 2-1846.

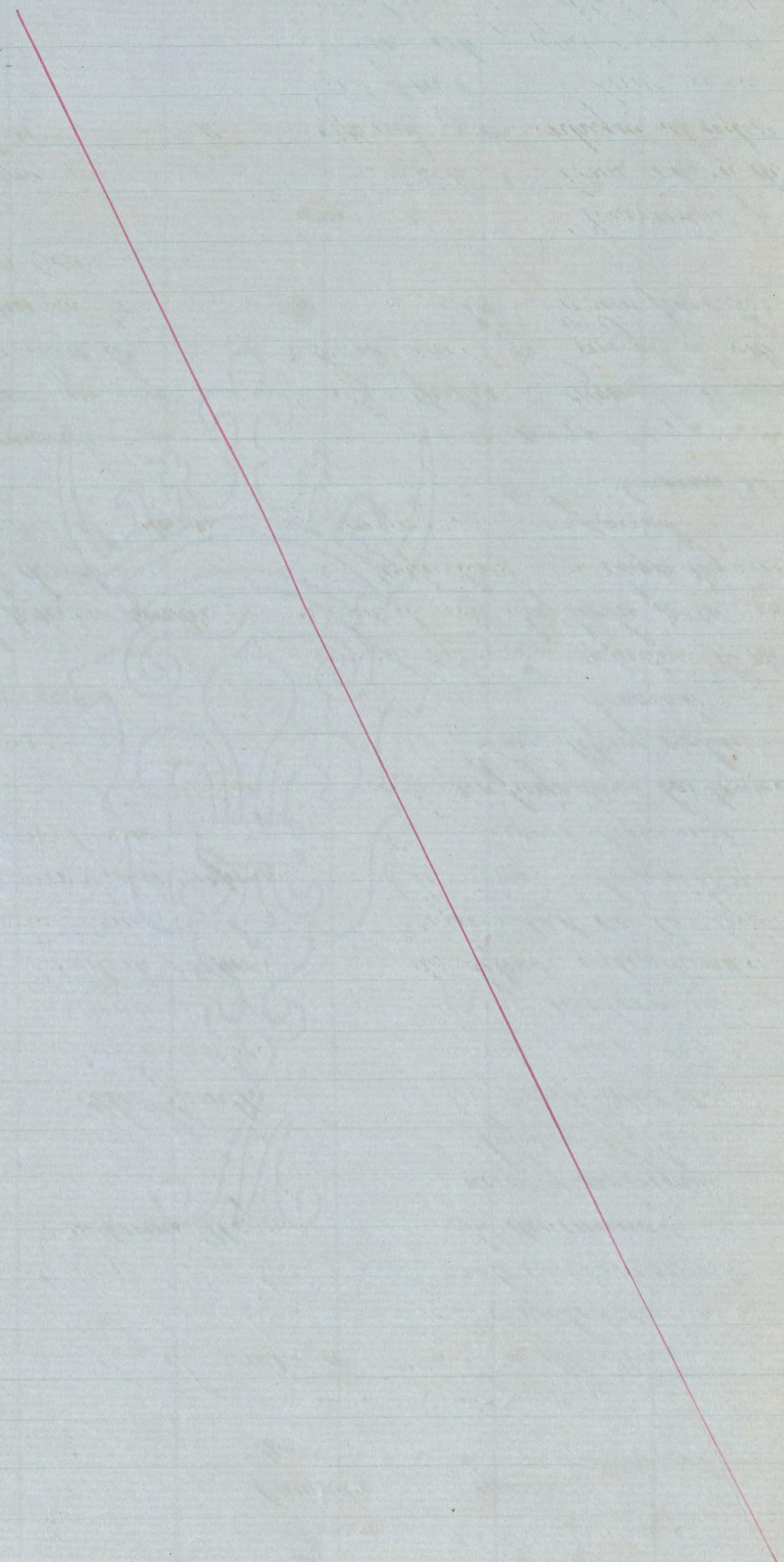
S. Arguello

Angles 10<sup>th</sup> June 1846.

In its session of this day, the Departmental Assembly approved the foregoing proposed decree.

Filed in Office July 6 1852. Gw. Fisher. Secy.

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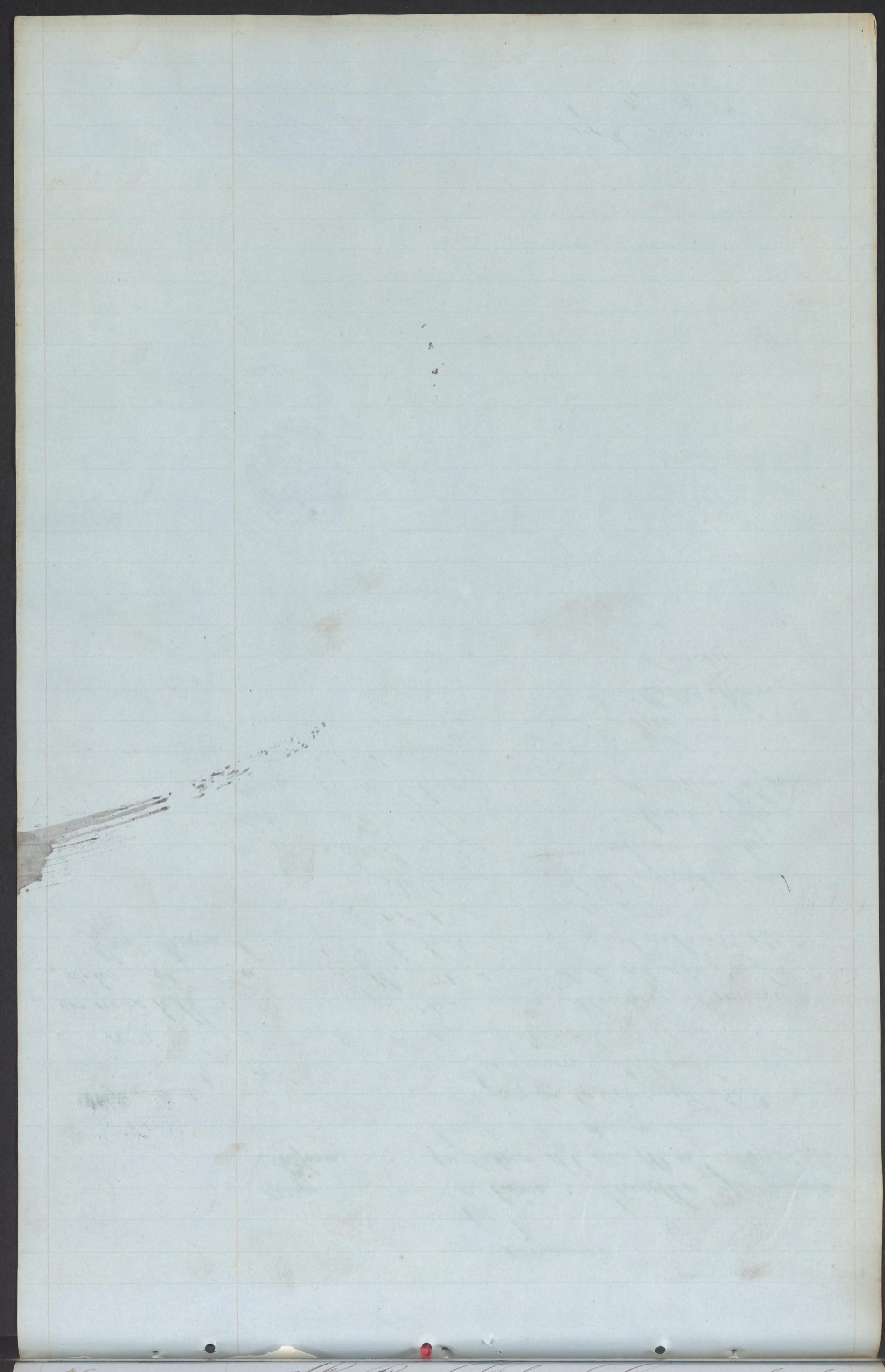
Por cuento D. Pedro Sainzvain,  
Ciudadano Mexicano por naturalización  
ha pretendido para su beneficio perso-  
nal y el de su familia un terreno  
conocido con el nombre de la Cañada del Rincon donde  
corre el río llamado de San Lorenzo en las cercanías de  
la Misión de Sta Cruz, colindante con las Siembras  
de D. Guillermo Negus, y drancho denominado Sayante:  
practicadas previamente las diligencias y averiguaciones  
convenientes segun lo dispuesto por leyes y reglamentos,  
usando de las facultades que me son conferidas a nombre  
de la Nación Mexicana, he tenido, en decreto de este  
día, en concederle el expresado terreno declarandole la  
propiedad de el por las presentes letras, entendiendose  
dicha concesión de entera conformidad con las leyes,  
a ressiva de la aprobación de la H<sup>a</sup>ma Asamblea  
Departamental y bajo las condiciones siguientes:

1<sup>a</sup> Podrá cercarlo sin perjudicar las trarecas,  
caminos y serridumbres; lo disfrutara libre y exclusivamente  
dedicandolo al uso o cultivo q<sup>e</sup> mas le acomode.

2<sup>a</sup> Solicitara del Juez respectivo la de  
la posesión jurídica en virtud de este despacho por la cual  
se demarcaran los linderos respectivos, en cuyos lugares  
pondrá el interesado las mojoneras necesarias.

3<sup>a</sup> El terreno de q<sup>e</sup> se hace donación es  
puramente el de dos sitios de ganado mayor conforme al  
diseño que corre agregado al expediente original. El Juez  
que tiene la posesión lo hará medir con arreglo a ordi-  
nanza dejando el Sobrante a la Nación para los  
usos convenciones.

En consecuencia mando q<sup>e</sup> teniendo por  
firme y valeadero el presente título, se tome razón de  
el en el libro a q<sup>e</sup> corresponde y se entregue al interesado  
para su resguardo y demás fines. Dado en la  
ciudad de los Ángeles en este paseo comun por  
falta del Sellado, á veintiuno de Abril de mil  
ochocientos cuarenta y seis. Pío Pico



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Document,

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annexed to the

depo: of

Mart. Jimeno

Ciudadano por naturalización Pedro Sainzorain  
del paraje nombrado Rincon en el río de San  
Lorenzo, jurisdicción de Monterey Segun título  
librado en esta 21 de Abril de este año conforme á  
la ley de 18 de Agosto de 1824 y al artº 5º del regla-  
mento de 21 de Noviembre de 1828."

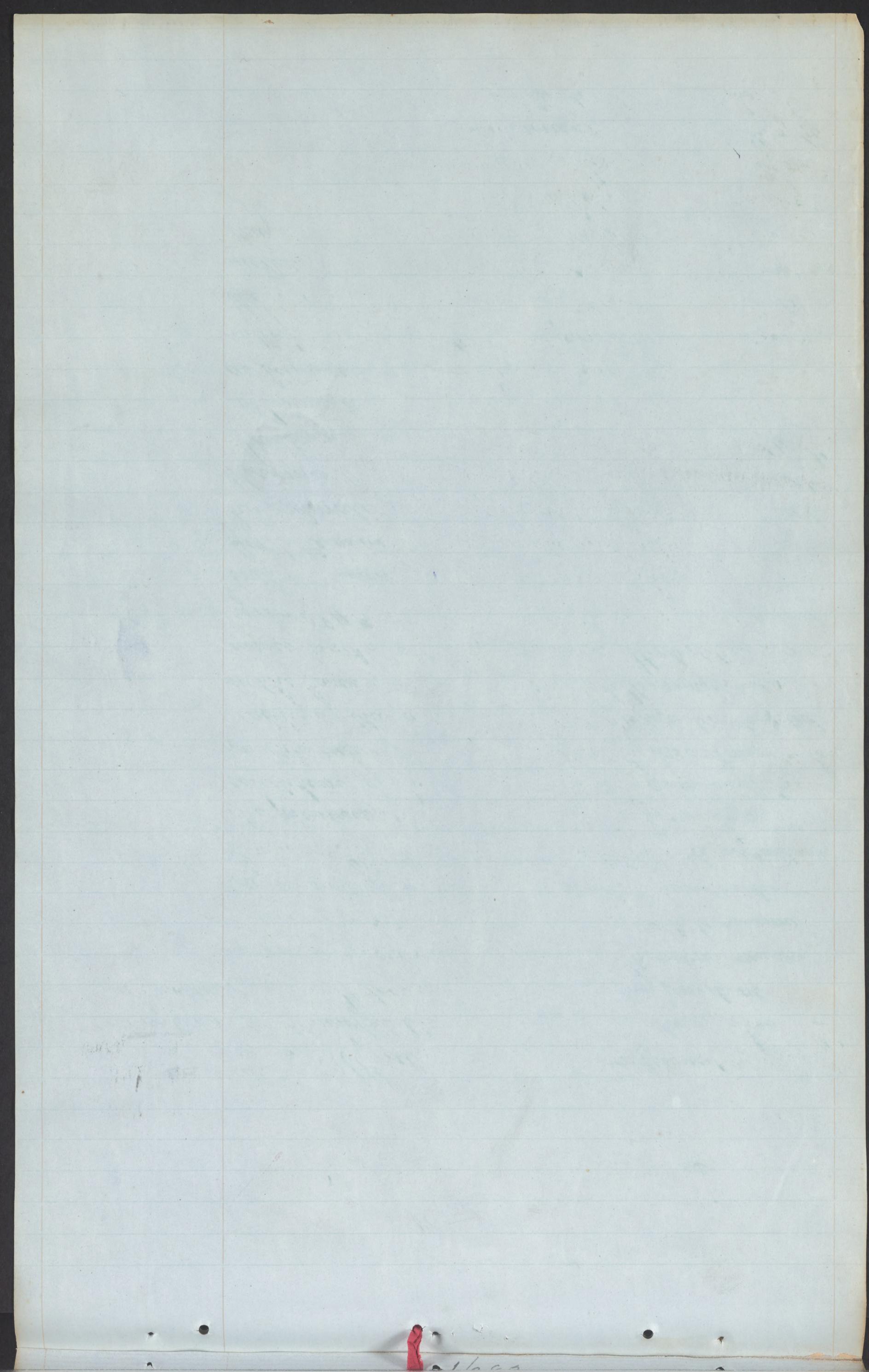
Y para resguardo de la parte del ciudadano  
por naturalización Dº Pedro Sainzorain lo hago así  
saber. Dado en la Ciudad de los Angeles en papel  
común por no haber sellado a trece de Junio de mil  
ochocientos cuarentay seis.

Pio Pico  
Sra Matías allorino  
Sra intº

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 The United States.  $\frac{vs}{\in}$  I. Seagues.

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The grant in this case was made on the 2<sup>d</sup> of April A.D. 1846, & confirmed by the Departmental Assembly on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of June A.D. Thompson Campbell, 1846. It does not appear that any judicial process even was ever given, or that any judicial measurement was ever made. The grant is proved to be genuine & the signature is shown to be in the handwriting of Governor Pico. The inhabitancy & occupation of the premises, are found to be in conformity with the conditions of the grant. The only question of difficulty in this case is, the want of identity & ascertainable locality of the land granted. The affidavit filed in the cause, shows that the petitioner applied for the same tract of land to Governor Michellorina in the year 1843, & that he received a provisional grant, but on account of being a Foreigner his application for title was denied, in the meantime, he obtained his naturalization papers, after which he applied to Governor Pico & received the grant above referred to. In the first petition which the party addressed to Michellorina he describes the tract of land which he writes as being situated in the settlement of Santa Cruz, a valley named the Rincon upon the river San Lourzo, the plan of which accompanied his petition. No further description is found in the proceedings until they reach the first concession made by Pico. Where he describes the property granted in the following words. "Pedro Sainsevain, a Mexican citizen by naturalization, is declared owner in full property of the valley of the Rincon, in which flows the river San

Sorizo, in the vicinity of Santa Cruz. In the title or  
form the land granted is thus described "a tract of land  
known by the name of the Canada del Rincón, where  
the river San Sorizo runs, in the vicinity of the Mission  
of Santa Cruz, bounded by the soon lands of Don Guill-  
ermo Ugnis & the rancho called Sayante." The <sup>3d</sup> condition  
annexed to the grant is in the following words:  
The land hereby granted is two leagues of the largest  
size in conformity with the map which accompanys  
the original espediente. The Judge who shall give  
the possession shall have it measured as required  
by law, leaving the surplus to the nation for its  
own uses. The map, which by reference is made part  
of the grant, represents a tract of land of an oblong shape,  
through which the river San Sorizo is represented  
as flowing, the Mission of Santa Clara is also represented  
which according to the scale laid down on the map, is  
about half a league distant from one end of the tract,  
the rancho of Sayante is designated by name at one  
end of the tract, & the boundary of Guillermo Ugnis  
is written at the other end. The points of the compass  
are not given on the map. Guard Sierra is written  
on both sides of the designated tract, which no doubt  
is intended to indicate the tract as a valley ly-  
ing between two mountains or hills. The scale as  
laid down on the map represents three miles, by  
applying the scale to the tract as designated on the  
map, the tract would be only four miles in length,  
& a fraction over one mile in width, this measurement  
if made according to the scale would make the tract of  
land fall far short of the quantity which the condition  
above quoted calls for, & specifies as the quantity contained  
in the tract as designated on the Map. Notwithstanding

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grant nor the map call for or represent any natural object, except the Rio de St. Lorenzo, which the map designates as running through the center of the whole length of the tract. The fact that the tract is designated in the grant, by the name of Rancho del Humo gives no additional certainty to its location, other than it is descriptive of a valley of which it composes a part. I have no doubt, it was the case in this instance as it generally was, that this particular tract of land was first designated by the name it now bears, by the party himself when he solicited the concession, the name by which the land should be called, was a part of his petition, & although it was usual for ranchos to take either the name of the most prominent natural object within their limits, or as in this case, to be designated by fit terms, descriptive of this peculiar location, the name by which they happened to be called was not by way of description, the tract never having been known as designated by that name or any other anterior to the grant itself, unless as was sometimes the case occupancy preceded the grant. These names are singularly characteristic & beautiful, the beauty & euphony of which, on being named by the introduction of the more unharmonious terms, townships, sections, half & quarter. This innovation upon the beauty of names, can only be tolerated on the ground of the greater certainty which the latter mode of description has over the former. The question now presented is the one most difficult is, whether in the absence of the juridical measurement contained in the grant, the tract granted is described with such certainty as to separate it from the other lands of a like character by which it is surrounded. First, the tract clearly lies on both sides of the Rio Santa

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Sonzo & includes that stream. Secondly it is bounded by the range of mountains (Sierra) which form the valley through the centre of which the San Sonzo flows. The description contained in the grant, bounds that part of the tract which faces the Mission of Santa Cruz, with the cultivated lands of Guillermo Vignis, & the remaining part or end of the tract by the ranchos called Sayunta, thus inclosing the tract with the spur on two sides, & with a ranch at each side. If the scale honto for referred to, affords anything like an accurate means of ascertaining the size of the tract, as designated on the map, the limits above described embrace a much less quantity, than the party according to the grant is entitled to receive. It is here proper to state that, when the fact that the limits within which the particular grant is to be located, do not contain more than the quantity granted, is made to appear by proof or otherwise, the necessity of showing a location by judicial measurement is dispensed with, so far as that particular object is concerned. The San Aguston brief which he has filed in this case, insists that the grant made by Governor Pico on the 21<sup>st</sup> of April 1846 is a forgery & for that reason the claim should be rejected. In support of this assumption, he relies particularly upon the fact that the grant is only signed by the Governor, & not by his Secretary. While there is nothing in the law which requires the signature of the Secretary to be attached to a grant, still it was the usual way in which grants were signed, but I have discovered in cases the communities of which, no question has been entertained, the signature of the Secretary most likely through inadvertence has been omitted. It is true that the signature of the Secretary is in all cases an additional

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guaranty of the genuineness of the grant, but I am not  
 inclined to admit that its obscurity, is of itself, a suffi-  
 cient cause of condemnation. In this case the signature  
 of Governor Pio Pico is proved to be genuine, & that too,  
 by the old Senator, Jimeno, who it is supposed was  
 well acquainted with Pico's hand writing. The history  
 of this case, as contained in the tract copy of the docu-  
 ment, I think protects it from the suspicion to which  
 the law agent thinks it is obnoxious. After an exam-  
 ination of the whole case, together with the objections  
 which have been urged against the genuineness of the  
 grant, we are of opinion that the claim should be con-  
 firmed.

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Geo: Fisher Secy.

Pedro Samperian.  
 Decree of Confirmation vs  
 The United States.

In this case on hearing the proofs & allegations it is adjudged by the Commission that the claim of the said petitioner is valid, & it is therefore decided that the same be confirmed. The lands of which confirmation are hereby made, are described & bounded as follows, to wit: on the end which face the Mission of Santa Cruz, by the rancho of Guillermo Vignis, on the opposite end by the rancho called "de Sayante", & on the sides by the Suras, which form the valley through which the river de Santa Lourza, flows. The tract enclosed within the above described boundaries is known by the

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name of La Canada del Moncon, & contains two square leagues, a little more or less. Reference for further description to be had to the map, which is a part of document marked A & filed as evidence in the cause.

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Alpheus Felch.  
Thompson Campbell.  
W. Aug. Thompson. <sup>3</sup> Commissioners.

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Office of the Board of Commissioners,

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

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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 Thirty four —— pages, numbered from  
1 to 34, 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. 283 on the Docket of the said Board,  
wherein Pedro Sainsvain is —

the Claimant, against the United States, for the place known by  
the name of "La Canada del Rincon" —

In Testimony Whereof, I hereunto set my hand  
and affix my private Seal (not having a Seal  
of Office) at San Francisco, California, this  
thirty first day of July  
A. D. 1854, and of the Independence of the  
United States of America the seventy-ninth.

Geo. Fisher  
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U. S. DISTRICT COURT,  
*Southern* District of California.

No. **391**

THE UNITED STATES,

v/s.

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*Pedro Sainsevaine*  
*"La Cañada del Rincón"*

TRANSCRIPT OF THE RECORD

FROM THE  
BOARD OF U. S. LAND COMMISSIONERS,

In Case No. **283**

Filed, 11th February 1857

*Wm. S. Clark  
A. H. Coleman  
Copy*

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Office of the Attorney General of the United States,

Washington, 30th November 1854.

Pedro Samiseraim  
vs.  
The United States. } 283.

You will please take notice that in the above case, decided by the Commissioners to ascertain and settle private land claims in the State of California in favor of the claimant, and a transcript of the proceedings in which was received in this office on the 30th day of August 1854 the appeal in the district court of the United States for the Southern district of California will be prosecuted by the United States.

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Attorney General.

No 283

U. S. District Court.

Southern District -

The United States

vs -

Pedro Sainsevain

Appeal Notice -

Filed Jan'y 10<sup>th</sup> 1855.

J. E. Farr.  
Clerk.

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In the District Court of the United States for the Southern District of California.

CITY AND COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES--STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

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*Pedro Sansvaine, Appellant.*

*vs.*

*The United States, Appellant*

Docket No. 391.

Transcript No. 283.

TO THE HON. ISAAC S. K. OGIER, JUDGE:

The Petitioner of *Pacificus Ord*, a resident of said City, County, and State, Attorney of the United States for the Southern District of California, who petitions in this behalf for the United States, and being present here in Court, in the name and behalf of the United States, represents as follows: That heretofore, to wit: on or about the 6<sup>th</sup> day of July — A. D. 1852.,

*Pedro Sansvaine*

presented a petition to the Commissioners to ascertain and settle the private land claims in the State of California, when sitting as a Board, claiming a tract of land called *Carreta del Rincon*

in the County of *Santa Cruz*. State of California, which said petition is referred to for a description of the land claimed, a copy of which appears in the transcript hereafter referred to. That thereafter, to wit: on or about the 17<sup>th</sup> day of January A. D. 1854, the said Commissioners confirmed, by final decision, the said claim of said petitioner. That thereafter, to wit: on or about the 30<sup>th</sup> day of ~~February~~ <sup>11<sup>th</sup> A. D. 1854,</sup>

a duly certified transcript of the proceedings and decision of the said Commissioners in said cause, and the papers and evidence on which the said decision was founded, was filed in the Office of the Clerk of the District Court of the United States for the Southern District of California, and marked No. 291; reference to which it is prayed may be had and made part of this petition. That on or about the 11<sup>th</sup> day of August A. D. 1854, the Honorable Caleb Cushing, Attorney-General of the United States, received a duly certified duplicate of said transcript of the proceedings and decision of said Commissioners in said cause, and the papers and

evidence on which said decision was founded. That thereafter, to wit: on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of January - A. D. 1855, the said Attorney-General of the United States filed, or caused to be filed, in behalf of the United States, a notice with the Clerk of said District Court of the United States, that the appeal in said cause from the said decision of the said Commissioners, in the District Court of the United States for the Southern District of California, would be prosecuted by the United States. Your petitioner further represents, that the land claimed, as aforesaid, is situate in the Southern District of California, and within the jurisdiction of this Honorable Court. Your petitioner further represents and insists, that the said claim is invalid; and the said decision of said Commissioners is erroneous, and ought to be reviewed, reversed and set aside, for many errors and imperfections of law and evidence, apparent in said certified transcript of the proceedings and decisions of said Commissioners in said cause, filed and appealed from as aforesaid. And your petitioner denies all and singular, each and every allegation in the said petition of said claimant, presented as aforesaid to said Commissioners. And your petitioner further denies that the said claimant has any valid right or title to said land claimed as aforesaid, or any part thereof.

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And no sufficient proof having been made of the allegations in said petition to said Commissioners, or in support of the said claim, no decision confirming the same should have been made by said Commissioners; but the

said claim should have been rejected by them: And the said claimant, having no valid right or title derived from the Spanish or Mexican Governments, to the land claimed as aforesaid, the lawful right and title in and to the said land was acquired by, and it now belongs to the United States, by virtue of conquest, and the Treaty of peace, friendship, limits and settlement, between the United States and the Republic of Mexico, made at the City of Guadalupe Hidalgo, February 2d, A. D. 1848.

Wherefore, the said Pacificus Ord, Attorney of the United States for the Southern District of California, for and in behalf of the United States, by reason of the premises, and in pursuance of the Act of Congress, entitled "An Act to ascertain and settle the Private Land Claims in the State of California," approved March 3d, A. D. 1851, and the laws and statutes in such case made and provided, prays that the said claimant, or his attorney may be served with a copy of this petition; and that this Honorable Court will review the said decision of said Commissioners, and reverse the same; and decide on the validity of the <sup>said claim</sup> same, and decree the alleged title to be invalid: with costs and general relief.

P. Ord

Attorney of the United States for  
the Southern District of California.

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Plaint of U.S. for Remun.

Dated January 11<sup>th</sup> 1858

As his att  
J. H. Colman  
Deb.

United States of America, } ss.  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA.

THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES,

TO

Pedro Sarmiento

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GREETING:

TAKE NOTICE, That a Petition, a copy of which is herewith served upon you, has been filed against you, and each of you, in the District Court of the United States, in and for the Southern District of California, on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of January in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-eight, at the City and County of Los Angeles, in said District, by

P. Pro U.S. Dist Atty for the  
S. Dist of California., praying said Court to  
Review the decision of the U.S. Board of Commissioners  
rendered in your favor on the 1<sup>st</sup> of January 1854  
for the tract of land called "Cahada del  
Riucon", in the County of Santa Cruz

and that you, and each of you, are required to appear at said Court, in said City, within ten days after the service hereof, if served on you within the County of Los Angeles, and within twenty days if served on you in the County of San Diego or San Bernardino, and within forty days if served on you in any other County of said State, exclusive of the day of service, and answer said petition, or that judgment by default will be taken against you, and each of you, and the prayer of the said petitioner will be granted, with costs.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, and affixed the Seal of the said Court, this 11<sup>th</sup> day of January, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-eight, at Los Angeles aforesaid.

B. Sims  
J. H. Coleman  
Dk

Clerk.

No. 391

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA,  
U. S. DISTRICT COURT.

Pedro Sainvaine

at Atts.  
The Whitehead

SUMMONS.

This the 27<sup>th</sup> day of January  
1858  
John C. Davis, Clerk  
of the  
U. S. District Court

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I served this Summons, along with the proper copy of the Petition, upon

Pedro

Sainvaine

at Los Angeles, in the Southern District of California, on

the 19<sup>th</sup> day of January, A. D. 1858.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 29<sup>th</sup> day of January, 1858.

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Clerk.

Marshal.

J. H. Colman  
(Signature)

James C. Pennington

In the District Court of the United States for the Southern District of California

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Pedro Sainswain } No 283 L Comt.

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This day came the said Pedro Sainswain by his attorney and moved the court to dismiss the petition heretofore filed in this case against <sup>from</sup> which was argued by council, whereupon it appearing to the satisfaction of the court, that the transcript of the proceedings and decision of the Board of Land Commissioners of the the paper's and evidence on which the same was founded had been duly filed in the Clerk's Office of the District Court of the United States for the Northern District of California, and it further appearing by a stipulation in said Record signed by J. H. McKune Law Agent and A. P. Cuttenton attorney for claimant that the land in said transcript mentioned lies north of the 37° of North Latitude, and that the said District Court for the Northern District of California had heard & finally determined said cause by decree of the 20th of September 1855. It is now hereby ordered and decreed that said motion be granted and that the said Petition be and the same is hereby dismissed -

Wm C. K. Ogle  
U. S. Dist. Judge  
for the 1st Dist. of Cal.

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For the Northern District of California <sup>3</sup>

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The United States v. No. 90 Decree  
v. 283. Land Commission  
Pedro Saincarain

Stated Term September 20th 1855.  
Appeal from the final decision of the Commissioners  
to ascertain and settle private land claims in  
California.

In this case it appearing from the records of this Court, that the certified transcript of the proceedings and decision and of the papers and evidence on which the same ~~were~~ founded, prepared by the Board of Commissioners on private Land Claims in California was filed with the Clerk of this Court, on the 13th day of September A. D. 1854 in pursuance of the 12th Section of the appropriation Act of the 31<sup>st</sup> of August 1852, Chap. 108- and it further appearing that the said Claim was decided against the United States and that the Transcript of the said Case, according to the provision of the said Act, was received by the Attorney General of the United States on the 30th day of August 1854, and further it appearing from the records of this Court that no notice has been filed that the

Appeal would be prosecuted by the United States, and six months having elapsed since the receipt of the said transcript, It is therefore ordered and decreed that the said appeal be dismissed, as provided in said Act.

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Ogden Hoffman Jr  
U.S. Dist Judge.

(Endorsed)

Filed September 20th 1853  
John A. Monroe Clerk

I, John A Monroe, Clerk of the District Court of the United States for the Northern District of California do hereby certify the foregoing to be a full true and correct copy of the original now on file and remaining of record in my office.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Seal of the said Court the 5th day of February A.D. 1858.

John A. Monroe, Clerk  
by H. H. Chees - Deputy.

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It is hereby stipulated and  
agreed that the land claimed in this case, lies north  
of parallel 37° of North Latitude.

September 8<sup>th</sup> 1854.

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J. H. McKenna

Law Agent.

A. P. Lentzhausen

Atty for Claimant

(Endorsed) "283 Pedro Sainsevain - Canadá del  
Rincon - Stipulation - Filed in Office Sept. 12<sup>th</sup> 1854  
Geo. Fisher Secy - Recorded in Journal vol 4. page 35"

U. S. Sur. Genl's Office  
San Francisco California

I James W. Manderville, U. S. Sur. Genl's for heal<sup>a</sup> and as  
such having in my custody the papers of the late Board of  
U. S. Land Commissioners to ascertain and settle the private  
land claims in California, do hereby certify the above to be a  
full, true and exact copy of a Stipulation, with the endow-  
ments theron, on file in Case N<sup>o</sup>. 283 on the Docket of said  
Board of Land Commissioners in which Pedro Sainsevain  
is claimant of a place named "La Canadá del Rincon"

Mwn under my hand and Official seal at  
the City of San Francisco heal. this 5<sup>th</sup> day  
of February A. D. 1858

J. W. Manderville  
U. S. Sur. Genl's heal

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W  
the United States

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This day comes the said  
Claimant by his attorney and  
moves the Court to dismiss the  
Petition filed in this case, because  
he says this Court hath not jurisdiction  
to hear and determine the  
the matters and things wherein  
set forth.

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Before me Richard R. Vestal, a justice of the peace, Town Santa Cruz, person ally appeared Samuel Boole who after being <sup>July</sup> ~~said~~ deposed & says that he has been a resident of the County of Santa Cruz since the 1822 has been living on the River San Lorenzo in the cañada del Rincon, a little more than a mile north of the Mission of Santa Cruz ever since the year 1839. was the first man that settled on the River San Lorenzo. The cañada del Rincon, went there by permission of the administrador of the Mission of Santa Cruz Francisco Soto and the alcalde of the pueblo, of Santa Cruz, José Bolcoff, has a house there now, has been cutting timber and sawing lumber there. Pedro Sausavan settled about one half a mile north of said deponent on the River San Lorenzo. Several years after the said deponent had come there, said Pedro Sausavan went there by permission of the alcalde of the Pueblo of Santa Cruz. Said deponent never heard that Pedro Sausavan had a grant to the land called the cañada del Rincon until the Americans had had possession of California for some time, knows that the land on which said deponent had

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been living since 1839 is included in the Rancho cañada del Rincon, as located by the United States deputy Surveyor, Wm. Lewis, Pedro Sansenau or his assigns or agents never ordered the said deponent from the land, but on the contrary Dodd Van Cerva ~~gave~~ one of the present owners of the Ranch assured the said deponent that he never should be ordered from the land, but might live there as long as he pleased. Knows that George Chapell, Carabazer Soto Thomas Lewis William Brauner were living in the cañada ~~de~~ Rincon had houses there had ~~surveys~~ <sup>surveys</sup> on the place where Pedro Sansenau afterwards built the Mill. Knows that the before mentioned men were living there before Pedro Sansenau came there. Knows that they never sold any right for the use of timber or land to Pedro Sansenau. Knows that the Rancho cañada del Rincon as located by Wm. Lewis United States deputy Surveyor, is within the limits of the Pueblo of Santa Cruz.

Subscribed & sworn before Jno. Boole  
me this February 27<sup>th</sup>  
A.D. 1857 Richard L. Bestal

Justice of the Peace.

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Before me Richard  
R. Westall a justice of the Peace of  
the County of Santa Cruz, personally  
appeared William Boote who being  
duly sworn deposes & says, that he  
has been a resident of the Town of  
Santa Cruz ever since the year  
1822, that he is a land owner that  
he knows the southern & northern  
boundaries of the Ranch Cañada  
del Lincoln as surveyed by W. J. Lewis  
deputy Surveyor of Surveyor General  
of California knows that the dis-  
tance from the Catholic church and  
Court house on the public square  
in the Town of Santa Cruz to the  
northern boundary of the Ranch  
Cañada del Lincoln is about one  
league a little more or less. Knows  
that the Town of Santa Cruz was  
acknowledged by the Mexican  
Government as a Pueblo before  
the year 1840 & from that time on  
until the Americans took possession  
of California. Knows that the Pueblo  
of Santa Cruz and the jurisdiction  
of the alcaldes of it extended one  
league each way from the Catholic  
Church in the Town of Santa Cruz.  
Knows that the lands of the Cañada  
del Lincoln as located by W. J. Lewis

United States deputy surveyor are within  
the limits of the lands of the Pueblo  
of Santa Cruz. Knows that within  
the years 1838 & 1847 Ramon Buelna  
Wm Charn, said Boole William Moley  
and his others being at least  
twenty five persons were living  
had houses there settlers by  
permit of the authorities of the  
Pueblo of Santa Cruz on the land  
on which is now the Ranch of  
Cañada del Rincon, located, that  
one of the above named persons  
viz Samuel Boole has been living on  
the said Ranch land & has been in  
possession of it from that time  
on to the present day that he the  
said defendant was second alcalde  
in the early part of 1846 in the  
Pueblo of Santa Cruz by appointment  
of the Mexican government that  
he knows that Pedro Sanchez  
or others for him did never make  
application to the authorities of the  
Pueblo of Santa Cruz and the inhabitants  
thereof and no permission  
granted by them to locate the said  
Ranch Cañada del Rincon within  
the limits of the Pueblo land know  
that Pedro Sanchez & Charles Ross  
Sillou had a permit or lease from  
the authorities of the ~~Pueblo~~ Pueblo

of Santa Cruz to cut timber and  
said lumber - knows that they  
part sent in lumber to the  
authorities of the Pueblos of Santa  
Cruz said himself the lumber  
handed out of the Cañada del Rincón  
which was paid for sent - this was  
in the years 1843 & 1844 - deponent  
never heard of the grant of  
the Ranch Cañada del Rincón to  
Pedro Sanseran until some time  
after the Americans had taken pos-  
session of the country

Pedro Sanseran told this deponent  
that Charles Rousillon was half  
owner of the Ranch Cañada  
del Rincón since the land had  
been granted to him - That  
Charles Rousillon was considered  
admitted to be half owner  
of all property owned by Pedro  
Sanseran in the County of  
Santa Cruz - That in the fall  
of 1846 Charles Rousillon told  
said deponent of the grant  
Charles Rousillon said them that  
he said Rousillon & Pedro  
Sanseran did not claim ~~or~~  
nor had any grant for any  
land on the east side of the

River San Lorenzo &  
Subscribed &  
sworn to this }  
Feby 21<sup>st</sup> A.D. 1857 }  
Wm. Boole  
mark

Richard R' Vestal  
Justice of the Peace

Wm. Boole  
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