Land Office Detroit
May 14, 1832

I have recently received from the Surveyor General, a copy of a paper furnished by the Commission of the General Land Officer, containing all the information which that office furnishes in relation to the claims of Paul Ducharme & Augustin Grignon at the Macalin.

I am requested by the Surveyor General, to furnish you with any additional information on the subject, which the records of this office may affirm.

On examination I find nothing on the books of this office, in addition of what the Surveyor General has communicated to you.

Your Obt. Servant
John Biddle

Signed

A. G. Ellis Esq.

Green Bay

This is a true copy.

Extract from the instruction given to I. Mullette, for having private claims at G. Bay.

"In describing the surveys of the claims in your field book, the location of each must be particularly & clearly designated, and the field notes of all the time of each entry, must be full & complete, and be entered together in the same places: so that in this office, separate copies of the field noted of each tract; may be drawn off to accompany the plats which I am to return to the Register of the Land office.

by which the claim is designated, with the claimants name. And you will make the field books the size of a sheet of letter paper, folded into eight pages, you will then have space for sparate columns for com - sy. measurement, & remarks, I would particularly call your attention to the 3d section of the Act of Congress of the 21st of Feb. 1823 (concerning) the Private claims in Michigan) by which the claimants there in referred to are confirmed in their claims, agreeably to any survey, heretofore made or the lines of bounderies established by the claimants respectively, and to the Proviso which requires that not more than six hundred and forty acres shall be confirmed in any case than the quantity claimed; nor shall any claim extend in width more than forty, nor in depth mor than eighty argents, nor to lands heretofore & now reserved by the United States for public purposes.

"Should any one or more of these Surveys be separate from the others by entering Public lands it will be requisite that you survey (without marking) and measure a line from one to the other, to connect them so that I amable to represent the exact situation of all the surveys on a connected map.

But for such lines, I cannot make you any allowance."

Relating to Private Claims No. 33 - 34 - 35

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