Up A Creek

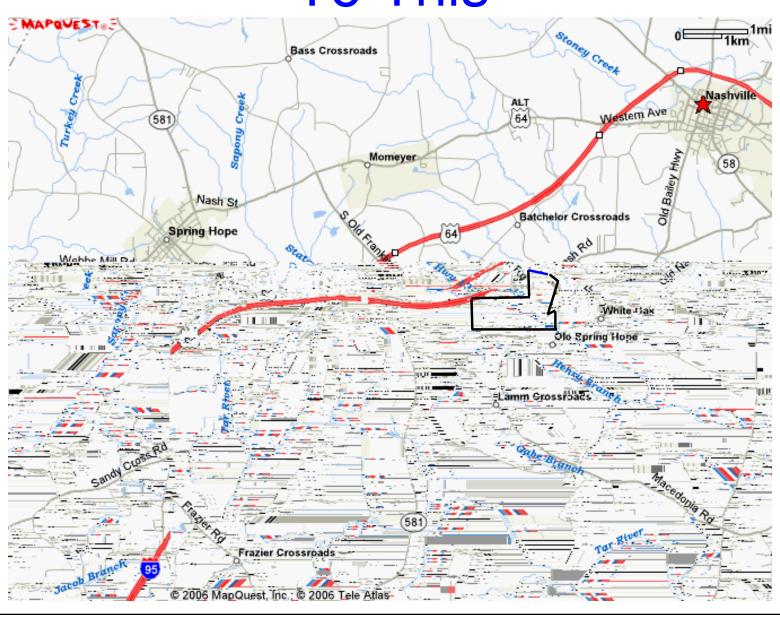


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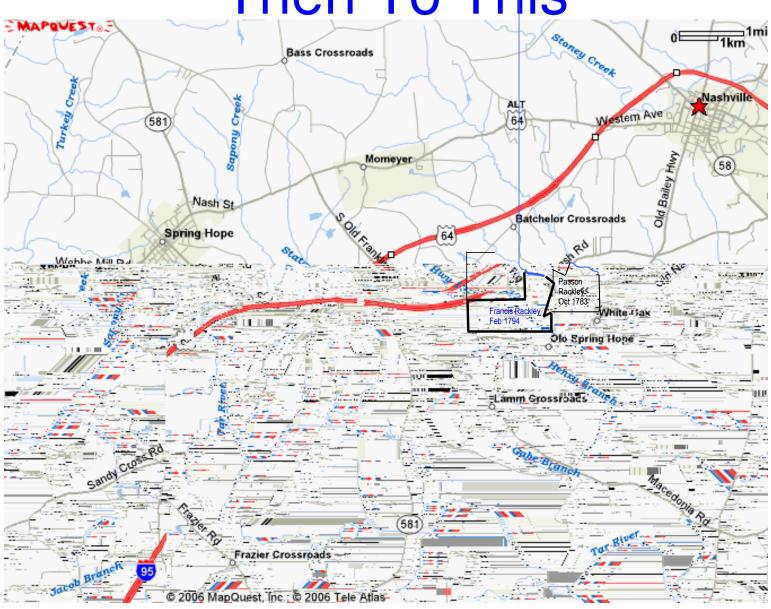
How Do I Get From This

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To This



Then To This



Required Resources

- Word processing software
- Internet access
- Deeds that are boundary descriptive
- Protractor
- Ruler divided into tenths of an inch
- Calculator

How do I acquire a map?

- Access the internet
- Type in <u>www.mapquest.com</u>
- When the homepage loads type in the name of the town close to the area you are interested in. Type in State
- Left click on "Search" or press "enter" on the keyboard

How do I acquire a map?

- When the map appears on screen, left click on the blue button beside the left border labeled "City"
- The map now shows names of roads and streams
- Note the top scale bar in the upper right hand corner of the map is given as one mile

How do I acquire a map

- Left click on the blue border to find the location you want.
- With the pointer in the map, right click, move down to "Save Picture As..." and left click.
- Type in where you want to save the map and type in a name for the file.

Insert the map

- Open your word processing software
- Left click on insert
- Move the pointer down to "Picture" and then move pointer to "From File" and left click
- Select the directory where you saved the map and left click on the file name you gave the map

Format the Map

- After the map have been inserted left click on "File" and move the pointer down to "Page Setup..." and left click
- Change all margins to at least .5 inches
- Change from "Portrait" to "Landscape"
- Place pointer at lower right hand corner and drag the map until the enlargement reaches the scale of 1 inch equals 1 mile

Format the Map

- Place pointer over "View" and left click
- Move pointer down to "Toolbars", then down to "drawing" and left click
- Drawing toolbars should appear, usually at the bottom of your screen
- Name and save your file

Deed Distance Conversion

- Distance in deeds was usually specified as poles or chains
- Conversion factors
 - One pole = 16.5 feet
 - One chain = 4 poles = 16.5 feet X 4 = 66 feet
 - One out = 10 chains = 66 ft X 10 = 660 feet
 - One mile = 5280 feet

Deed Distance

- In the deed the first distance given is 440 poles East
 - Conversion from 440 poles to feet is 440 times 16.5 or 7260 feet
 - Conversion from 7260 feet to miles is 7260 divided by 5280 or approximately 1.4 miles

Begin to plat the deed

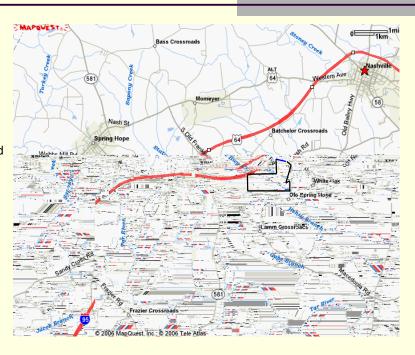
- Since the beginning point in the deed does not give a natural landmark, look to see if one is stated
 - One of the boundaries stated is "up the said Branch North 85^d West 100 po"
 - Place protractor at Sikes Branch to find the area where it runs the specified angle
 - Draw the boundary line running up the branch
 North 85^d West 100 poles [.3 mile]

Plat the deed

- The next boundary line given is "South 138 poles"
 - Draw a line South 138 poles [.4 mile]
- Continue until the plat is complete

From Words to a Picture

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Things To Consider

- Waterways/streams may have been known by more than one name or changed name over a period of time
- A corner post oak may be a corner white oak/corner red oak/oak stump, etc in another deed
- Distance may vary from deed to deed
- Some deeds did not get recorded

