

## **County Seat**

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## County Seat Acts of 1799 Chapter 38

AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A TOWN BY THE NAME OF DANDRIDGE, IN JEFFERSON COUNTY.

WHEREAS FRANCIS DEAN OF THE COUNTY OF JEFFERSON, IN THE YEAR ONE THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED AND NINETY TWO, CONVEYED FIFTY ACRES OF LAND TO ALEXANDER OUTLAW, HUGH KELSEA, JARED FITZGERALD, ANDREW HENDERSON, AND GEORGE DOHERTY, AS COMMISSIONERS FOR ERECTING A COURT HOUSE, PRISON AND STOCKS IN AND FOR SAID COUNTY, TO BE LAID OUT INTO A TOWN FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE COUNTY: AND WHEREAS THE SAID ALEXANDER OUTLAW, HUGH KELSEA, JARED FITZGERALD, ANDREW HENDERSON AND GEORGE DOHERTY HAVE CAUSED THE SAID FIFTY ACRES OF LAND TO BE LAID OUT INTO A TOWN BY THE NAME OF DANDRIDGE, AND DISPOSED OF SUNDRY OF THE LOTS ACCORDING TO THE INTENTION OF THE DONOR:

**SECTION 1**. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, That the said fifty acres of land shall continue to be a town agreeably to the plan of the said Alexander Outlaw, Hugh Kelsea, Jared Fitzgerald, Andrew Henderson and George Doherty, by the name of Dandridge, and that the deed of conveyance from the said Francis Dean, to the said Alexander Outlaw, Hugh Kelsea, Jared Fitzgerald, Andrew Henderson and George Doherty, for the said fifty acres of land, although made without value received, shall be good and valid in law to them and their successors, for the purpose for which the said Francis Dean conveyed the same.

AND WHEREAS JARED FITZGERALD, ONE OF THE ABOVE COMMISSIONERS, HATH REMOVED FROM THE COUNTY OF JEFFERSON: AND WHEREAS IT IS REQUISITE THAT HIS PLACE SHOULD BE SUPPLIED, AND AN ADDITIONAL NUMBER OF COMMISSIONERS BE APPOINTED:

**SECTION 2**. BE IT THEREFORE ENACTED, That in addition to the said Alexander Outlaw, Hugh Kelsea, Andrew Henderson and George Doherty, who are hereby declared to be continued commissioners, James Doherty shall be a commissioner in the place and stead of Jared Fitzgerald, and Edward George be appointed in addition, with full power and authority, as commissioner, vested with the said fifty acres of land laid off as aforesaid, in a town, to regulate the said town, and dispose of such lots as have not already been sold, and apply the money arising from the sale, for the purposes for which the said fifty acres were originally given and conveyed by the said Francis Dean.

**SECTION 3.** BE IT ENACTED, That the said Alexander Outlaw, Hugh Kelsea, Andrew Henderson, George Doherty, James Doherty and Edward George, commissioners as aforesaid, shall also be commissioners for completing and keeping in repair the courthouse, prison and stocks of the said county of Jefferson, and be held accountable to the court of the said county, in the manner as other commissioners for erecting public buildings are held accountable for all monies by them received and expended.

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