

ARKANSAS SECRETARY OF STATE

Mark Martin

June 23, 2017

The Honorable Kade Holliday Craighead County Clerk P.O. Box 1167 Jonesboro, AR 72403-1167

Re: Pending City of Jonesboro Boundary Change identified by Annexation Court Order CO-2009-1

Dear Mr. Holliday,

This letter acknowledges receipt of pending municipal boundary change approved by Craighead County Court Order CO-2009-1, dated March 16, 2009. It appears that the City of Jonesboro has not yet taken an essential step to complete this pending annexation. Pursuant to A.C.A. § 14-40-605, the city must take formal action to accept the territory either by ordinance or resolution.

Given the number of potential legal issues involved, please be aware of the urgency of the situation. As a result of this letter, the City may need to take immediate action. I am returning a copy of the County Court Order and Confirmation Order. Our Office will retain the certified copy pending notification of completion of the statutory filing requirements. After City approval, please send a completed Municipal Boundary Checklist (enclosed) along with copies of the Ordinance/Resolution and Arkansas Geographic Information Systems (GIS) Office map and certification letter to my attention at the Office of the Secretary of State within 30 days of receipt from the city. See Act 655 of the 2017 Arkansas General Assembly enclosed.

By copy of this letter (and its enclosures), the Secretary of State hereby notifies the appropriate mapping authorities for Arkansas that this annexation is not complete and the area is not considered within the Jonesboro Municipal Boundary. Please retain this letter as official record of the pending municipal boundary change with the Arkansas Secretary of State.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this filing, please contact our office at 501-682-3401.

Sincerely,

Cynthia Fisher

Arkansas Secretary of State Legal Division

500 Woodlane St, Room 256

Little Rock, AR 72201

501-682-3401

cc: Arkansas Geographic Information Systems Office (w/encl)

Arkansas Highway and Transportation Department Mapping Department (w/encl)

UALR Institution for Economic Advancement (w/encl)

Tom-Tom (w/encl)

Ms. Donna Jackson, Jonesboro City Clerk (w/encl)

Ms. Carol M. Duncan, Jonesboro City Attorney (w/encl)

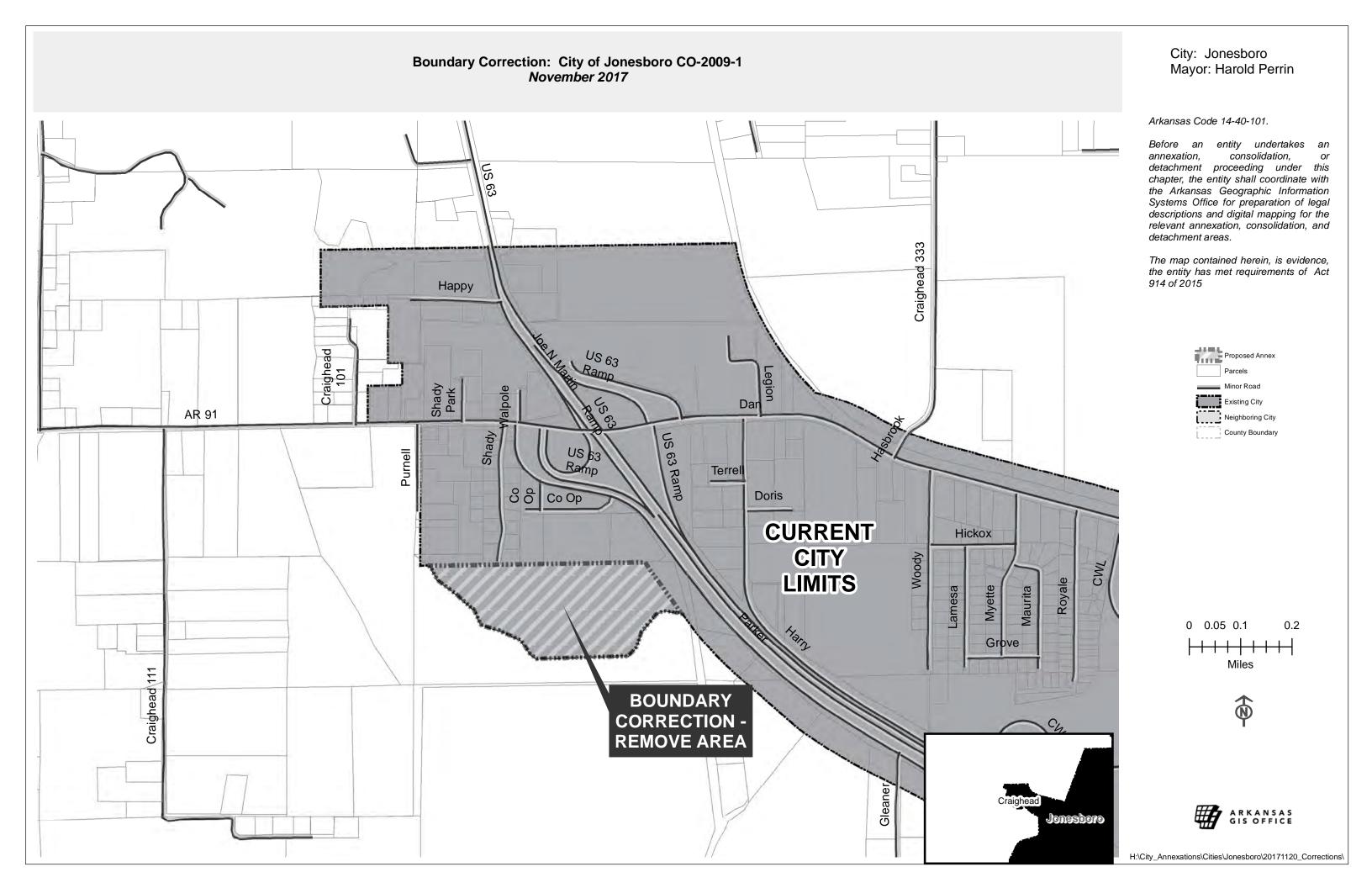
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Municipal Boundary Change Checklist

County:	City/Town:
City Ordinance/Resolution No:_	Date approved:
County Court Case No:	Date Order Filed:
Туре:	ose from the list of Arkansas Code Sections located on the back)
(Cho	ose from the list of Arkansas Code Sections located on the back)
	Set by:
For Circuit Court Challenge: Da	te Order Filed:OUpheldOoverturned Oother (attach explanation)
Initiating party:	
O All Landowners O Majority	Landowners OMunicipal Governing Body OState OOther
Supporting Documentation atta	ched (check all that apply):
File marked copy of City Or	dinance/Resolution (<i>required</i>)
File marked copy of County	Court Order (required except for island annexation and annexation approved by election)
Copy of Arkansas GIS appro	oved printed map and certification letter (required)
	egal Notices (include Hearing, Election, and City Ordinance/Resolution notices)
File marked copy of Petition	n Part or File marked copy of the certified special election results (if applicable)
	aint and final Circuit Court Order (Court Challenge only)
Municipal Contact:	
Name:	Title:
Street Address:	
City:	St:Zip code:
	lution, attach it as a cover page to the supporting document set and submit to the County Clerk's Office vithin 45 days of the Effective Date as required by Act 655 of 2017
County Official:	
Signature:	Title:
Date:	
	Officials must submit a file-marked copy of municipal boundary change documents within 30 days of State, Attn: Municipal Boundary Filing, 500 Woodlane Ave Suite 256, Little Rock, AR 72201-1094
Office of the Arkansas Secretary (of State use only
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Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to present law. Act 653 of the Regular Session

1	State of Arkansas	As Engrossed: H3/10/17		
2	91st General Assembly	A Bill		
3	Regular Session, 2017		HOUSE BILL 1950	
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5	By: Representative Boyd			
6	By: Senator Files			
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8	For An Act To Be Entitled			
9	AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING INCORPORATION,			
10	ANNEXATION, CONSOLIDATION, AND DETACHMENT PROCEDURES			
11	FOR MUNIC	IPALITIES; TO REQUIRE AN EFFEC	TIVE DATE FOR	
12	ANY MUNICIPAL BOUNDARY CHANGE; AND FOR OTHER			
13	PURPOSES.			
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16		Subtitle		
17	TO A	MEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE EF	FECTIVE	
18	DATE	OF MUNICIPAL BOUNDARY CHANGE		
19	ACTI	ons.		
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22	BE IT ENACTED BY THE O	GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE (OF ARKANSAS:	
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24	SECTION 1. Arkar	nsas Code Title 14, Chapter 38	, Subchapter 1, is amended	
25	to add an additional s	section to read as follows:		
26	<u>14-38-117. Effec</u>	ctive date of incorporation red	quired.	
27	(a)(1) The cour	nty court order of incorporation	on affecting territory	
28	under this chapter sha	all include the effective date	upon which the petition	
29	for incorporation is a	granted and the municipality is	s considered organized.	
30	(2) Count	ty court orders that fail to in	nclude a specified	
31	effective date in the	order shall require using the	date of the county	
32	clerk's file mark as the effective date for all purposes.			
33	(b) The effects	ive date specified in the order	r of incorporation issued	
34	under § 14-38-104 is t	the official effective date to	be used by any county or	
35	state official charge	d with recording, forwarding, n	maintaining, or	
36	instituting the order	of incorporation.		



As Engrossed: H3/10/17 HB1950

1	instituting the ordinance of resolution.
2	(e)(1) In the event of a circuit court challenge to a county court
3	order approving a municipal boundary change under this chapter, the final
4	order of the circuit court shall specify a change to the effective date, if
5	any.
6	(2) In the absence of a specific attestation, the municipally
7	designated effective date is the effective date.
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9	SECTION 3. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General
10	Assembly of the State of Arkansas that an urgent need exists to clarify the
11	official effective dates of municipal boundary actions, to aid the United
12	States Bureau of the Census in the bureau's decennial census counts, and to
13	maintain more accurate records regarding municipal boundary changes; and that
14	this act is immediately necessary to clarify the effective dates of municipal
15	boundary changes. Therefore, an emergency is declared to exist, and this act
16	being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health,
17	and safety, shall become effective on:
18	(1) The date of its approval by the Governor;
19	(2) If the bill is neither approved nor vetoed by the Governor,
20	the expiration of the period of time during which the Governor may veto the
21	bill; or
22	(3) If the bill is vetoed by the Governor and the veto is
23	overridden, the date the last house overrides the veto.
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25	/s/Boyd
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28	APPROVED: 03/27/2017
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IN THE COUNTY COURT OF CRAIGHEAD COUNTY, ARKANSAS

IN THE MATTER OF THE PROPOSED
ANNEXATION OF CERTAIN LANDS
TO THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS

No. 2009-1

DAVID GRISHAM and GROVERNEL GRISHAM, His Wife, and LAWRENCE GRISHAM and SHERRY GRISHAM, His Wife

MAR 16 2009

Petitioners

NANCY NELMS COUNTY & PROBATE COURT CLERK

ORDER OF ANNEXATION

On this <u>//eth</u> day of March, 2009, comes on for hearing before this Court the Petition for Annexation of Certain Lands to the City of Jonesboro, Arkansas, properly filed in this Court, with the Petitioners appearing by and through their attorneys, Lyons & Cone, P.L.C. This cause is heard upon the Petition, the exhibits thereto and the notice of filing of said Petition of the date, time and place of hearing thereof, and a proper publication of such notice as required by law, and the evidence introduced by the witnesses, argument of counsel and other things and matters coming before the Court, from all of which the Court finds:

1. That said Petition is authorized and signed by the owners of the land hereinafter described; that the notice of filing of said Petition, the date, time and place of hearing upon said Petition has been duly given and published as required by law; that all things required by law to be done have been duly and properly done; that the allegations of the Petitioner are sustained by proof; that the limits of this territory and lands to be annexed have been accurately described; that an accurate plat thereof has been duly made and filed with this Court; and the prayer of the Petitioner thereof has been duly made and filed with this Court; and the prayer of the Petitioner is right and proper; and the lands hereinafter described should be annexed to the City of Jonesboro,

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Arkansas Secretary of State Arkansas.

IT IS THEREFORE, BY THE COURT CONSIDERED, ORDERED and ADJUDGED that the Petition here be and is hereby granted and all of the lands and territories hereinafter described and are hereby annexed to the City of Jonesboro, Arkansas, said lands and territories so annexed to the City of Jonesboro, Arkansas, described as follows, to wit:

A part of the Southwest Quarter and part of the Southeast Quarter all in Section 9, Township 14 North, Range 3 East, Craighead County, Arkansas more particularly described as follows:

From the West quarter corner of said Section 9, thence S00°14'00"W a distance of 1327.40 ft. to a point; thence S00°10'00"W a distance of 31.68 ft. to a point; thence N90°00'00"E a distance of 39.07 ft. to a point; thence S51°23'26"E a distance of 115.40 ft. to a point on the existing line of the City Limits of the City of Jonesboro, and the POINT OF BEGINNING thence along the existing line of the City Limits of the City of Jonesboro as follows: N89°11'00"E a distance of 2311.03 ft. to a point; thence S36°46'54"E a distance of 568.46 ft. to a point; thence departing from the existing line of the City Limits of the City of Jonesboro, Arkansas, run S08°06'00"E a distance of 156.02 ft. to a point; thence N60°19'37"W a distance of 82.29 ft. to a point; thence N75°53'07"W a distance of 113.77 ft. to a point; thence S88°51'33"W a distance of 117.82 ft. to a point; thence S62°05'13"W a distance of 117.34 ft. to a point; thence S38°59'41 "W a distance of 130.88 ft. to a point; thence S21°34'40"W a distance of 236.14 ft. to a point; thence S47°39'58"W a distance of 100.75 ft. to a point; thence S87°15'29"W a distance of 93.37 ft. to a point; thence S86°53'14"W a distance of 181.75 ft. to a point; thence S89°22'35"W a distance of 68.14 ft. to a point; thence S89°08'25"W a distance of 246.03 ft. to a point; thence S89°12'04"W a distance of 316.63 ft. to a point; thence N76°09'36"W a distance of 69.54 ft. to a point; thence N29°55'13"W a distance of 197.88 ft. to a point; thence N53°15'59"W a distance of 132.58 ft. to a point; thence N74°53'23"W a distance of 121.76 ft. to a point; thence N79°23'24"W a distance of 160.62 ft. to a point;

thence N60°16'45"W a distance of 82.47 ft. to a point; thence N28°04'39"W a distance of 38.58 ft. to a point; thence N25°44'04"W a distance of 176.43 ft. to a point; thence N41°05'44"W a distance of 131.15 ft. to a point; thence N59°05'26"W a distance of 223.72 ft. to a point; thence N41°05'34"W a distance of 91.57 ft. to a point; thence N21°33'45"W a distance of 123.80 ft. to a point; thence N51°23'26"W a distance of 29.42 ft. to the POINT OF BEGINNING, containing 42.38 acres.

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, that said lands and territories shall be deemed and taken to be a part of the limits of the City of Jonesboro, Arkansas, and the inhabitants residing therein shall have and enjoy all of the rights and privileges of the inhabitants within the original limits of the City of Jonesboro, Arkansas, upon said lands and territories being accepted by resolution or ordinance of the City Council of the City of Jonesboro, Arkansas.

ENTERED, this //day of March, 2009.

County Judge

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County of Craighead ss I, KADE HOLLIDAY, Clerk of the County and Probate Court of the County and State aforesaid, do hereby certify that the

THE COPY of the original as filed

HANCY NELMS County Clerk