

What do you know about  
this case?

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Duckwater, Nevada,

Oct. 14, 1920.

Indian Agency,

Beas, Nevada.

Dear Sir,

I wish you would  
send the number of this land.  
Mr. W. M. Williams is  
going to sell his land and  
I want you to send me  
the no. of this land. I want  
it so as I want have any  
trouble with any body.  
So he want pay taxes  
on the land. Please and  
send the no. of this land.

So I can fix it up with  
him. Please to answer by  
return mail. So I will know  
what to do

Yours truly,  
Mr. Bert Johnson

San Francisco, Cal. Nov. 3, 1934.

Mr. James E. Jenkins,  
Reno Indian Agency,  
Reno, Nevada.

Re Bert Johnson  
Duckwater, Nev.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your favor October 24 -1934,

I went to Bert Johnson's place with Mr. Greel and as U. S. Commissioner prepared the papers transferring title to a part of the Williams ranch to the U. S. in trust for Bert Johnson. It was in the nature of an agreement to convey as near as I can recollect and binds said Williams so that Johnson is protected. Williams' attorney is named De Flon, of Tonopah, and he agreed to make out the conveyance for the land. There was also another part of the tract conveyed by Williams's father in law whose name has escaped me for the present but you should find it in the report on Duckwater.

By sending to the State Engineer for the water right map which I prepared you will get a correct and reliable description of the Johnson land together with others belonging to neighboring Indians.

As my records were destroyed by fire I cannot give better data but there should be no difficulty in obtaining the approximate date from the <sup>water</sup> map filed and checking up by reference to your papers on file. If I can be of further  
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service let me know.

I am returning Bert Johnson's letter herewith.

Yours very truly,

L. J. Glan

Manhattan, Nevada

Temporary address is 1260 Sacramento St.  
San Francisco, Cal.

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Re: Location Egreney  
Range, Nev  
MAR 28 1924

Dear Sir: -

Re Mr. Williams' letter in regard  
to the Best Johnson place.

I understand, Mr. Sir,

I entered an agreement with  
Mr. Best & Mr. Palmer agreeing to  
Deed the land to Best Johnson.

I would like to get the matter  
straightened up.

I would like to have the  
numbers of the survey and  
would like to know whom to make  
the deed to.

Please let me know how soon  
as possible in regards to the  
matter as would like to get  
the thing cleared up.

So soon as possible.  
 Hoping to hear from you soon  
 of course truly,  
 Charles W. Williams

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Manhattan, Nevada, Mar. 18, 1924.

Mr. James E. Jenkins,  
Reno Indian Agency,  
Reno, Nevada.

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Dear Mr. Jenkins:

I have checked over the maps and compared with the description of Mr. Williams' land and find the Bert Johnson tract to be as follows:

Beginning at a point which is the Northeast corner of the  $SE\frac{1}{4}$  of  $SW\frac{1}{4}$  section 5, T. 12 N., R. 56 E., M. D. N. thence running west 495 feet; thence south 660 feet; thence east 1155 feet to the center of  $SW\frac{1}{4}$   $SE\frac{1}{4}$  section 5; thence north 660 feet; thence west 660 feet to the point of beginning, comprising a tract 660 by 1155 feet and containing 17.5 acres and being the same land quitclaimed in trust to Lorenzo D. Creel for the benefit of said Bert Johnson, a Shoshone Indian,

If you will prepare a deed and send it to Mr. Charles Wesley Williams at Pahrump, Nevada this will clear the matter.

There is a small piece not included in the above description amounting to  $1/3$  acre under fence in the northeast corner of Johnson's field which by agreement he would use but in order to make a consistent rectangular description no mention was made of it. All corners were marked at the time of survey.

Yours respectfully,

L. F. Johnson

Copy sent Mr. Williams.



ROBERT A. ALLEN  
STATE ENGINEER  
JOHN V. MUELLER  
ASSISTANT STATE ENGINEER

STATE OF NEVADA  
ENGINEER'S OFFICE

CARSON CITY January 29, 1925

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Replying to your letter of

In your reply refer to No

Reno Indian Agency,  
Reno, Nevada

Gentlemen:

We are in receipt of proofs of appropriation in the names of certain Indians claiming water rights in the vicinity of Duckwater. These Indians are Black Eye, Bert Johnson, George Williams ( or Chicken George) and Billy Bull Creek. The proofs were accompanied by the necessary tracing: showing the extent of the cultivated area for which water rights are claimed. Together with these documents there is a copy of a letter written by the Reno Indian Agency to Mr. L. F. Clark, Manhattan, Nevada, asking him to collect from the four Indians interested the necessary filing fee in order that the document might be filed. No fee accompanied the proof.

Before the document can be filed it will be necessary that the fee of ten dollars be forwarded to this office. Mr. Creel formerly of your department is familiar with the situation that exists, he having worked on it for several years, and can no doubt tell you just how the local situation in Duckwater warrants the putting on record of the Indian's rights.

We are holding the proof and map pending the receipt of the necessary filing fee which is ten dollars before the same can be filed and made of record.

Yours very truly,

*Robert A. Allen*  
State Engineer.

RA:AG

*Copy*

Manhattan, Nevada, Feb. 10, 1925.

Mr. Bert Johnson,  
Blackwater, Nevada.

Dear Sir:

As you will remember Mr. Creel and I did a good deal of work to get you and your friends fixed up. We made all the surveys and filed the maps and papers with the State Engineer for the water. I have just learned that there is a small fee to be paid the State Engineer, it is ten dollars, so if you will take this up with Black Eye, Chicken George, Billy Bull-Creek (and yourself) to make up the amount you can send it to Mr. James E. Jenkins, at the Reno Indian Agency, and he will attend to it for you.

I will enclose an addressed envelope so you will have no trouble. You understand that the ten dollars is for all which is only two dollars and a half each.

If I can help you any more let me know.

Yours truly

*L. F. Blair*

Address: Manhattan, Nevada

*And Mrs. Jenkins this is your filing*



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