

Q (The Court) Now the papers in this cause, Mr. Clerk, were in your office but apparently somebody removed them from the file?

A Yes. We have searched, and also sent Mr. Hane, the Court Crier, and called everybody we could think of.

Q All members of the bar were contacted to see if they had the papers in their possession?

A Yes, sir.

Q But from the Docket entries in the case it definitely shows the proceedings were instituted, and that the deed was executed by the County Commissioners?

A Well, I have no record showing the deed.

Q But I mean the records in your office--

A Yes, the deed was recorded in our office.

I even checked the County Commissioners' and County Treasurer's office. They didn't even have copies.

MR. VIRTS: I called Miss Hahn (secretary of Mr. William M. Storm, now deceased), and she checked Mr. Storm's papers; and also called Mrs. Sinn (widow of Walter E. Sinn, now deceased, to whom the papers were also charged)--

Q He was attorney for the County Commissioners?

(Mr. Virts) Yes, and she did not call me back. She said if she found any copies of the original papers she would call me back.

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