

State of Florida, |
 | ss.
County of Lee. |

Before me, the undersigned authority, personally appeared J. F. Garner, to me well known, and who being first duly sworn according to law, deposes and says that he is Clerk of the Circuit Court of Lee County, Florida, and ex-officio Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners of Lee County, Florida; affiant further says that on Tuesday the 13th day of March, 1923, in company with the Board of County Commissioners of Lee County, Florida, he made a trip to Useppa Island as a guest of Mr. Barron G. Collier at the Tarpon Inn, ostensibly for the purpose of discussing the matter of the Tamiami Trail; that while at Useppa, Mr. Barron G. Collier discussed the matter of County Division with him and in the conversation told this affiant that he did not want a county unless he could say who the officers would be. I told him that he might be able to name the first officers but he could not control them any further, to which he replied that he would not want a county unless he could do that.

J. F. Garner

Subscribed and sworn to before
me this 13th day of April, 1923.

Al Stout
County Judge, Lee County, Florida.

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