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[CHAPTER 473]

November 14, 1945
[S. 201]
[Private Law 251]

AN ACT

For the relief of the estates of William F. Bacon, Myrtle Jackson, Catherine Smith, and Tibbie Spencer.

William F. Bacon, estate, etc.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury is authorized and directed to pay, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to the estate of William F. Bacon, the sum of $3,500; to the estate of Myrtle Jackson, the sum of $3,500; to the estate of Catherine Smith, the sum of $3,500; and to the estate of Tibbie Spencer, the sum of $3,500, in full satisfaction of the claims of such estates for compensation for the deaths of their respective decedents, who died as a result of personal injuries sustained by them when the passenger bus in which they were riding collided with a United States Army vehicle near Allenhurst, Georgia, on April 24, 1943: *Provided*, That no part of the amounts appropriated in this Act in excess of 10 per centum thereof shall be paid or delivered to or received by any agent or attorney on account of services rendered in connection with these claims, and the same shall be unlawful, any contract to the contrary notwithstanding. Any person violating the provisions of this Act shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be fined in any sum not exceeding $1,000.

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[CHAPTER 474]

November 14, 1945
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[Private Law 252]

AN ACT

To quiet title and possession with respect to that certain unconfirmed and located private land claim known as claim of Daniel Boardman, C. No. 13, in Cosby and Skipwith's Report of 1820, certificate 749, and being designated as section 44, township 7 south, range 3 east, Greensburg Land District, Livingston Parish, Louisiana, on the official plat of said township.

Daniel Boardman, claim.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That all the right, title, and interest of the United States in and to that certain tract of land known as that located but unconfirmed private land claim of Daniel Boardman, C. No. 13 in Cosby and Skipwith's Report of 1820, certificate 749 (See: American State Papers, Gales and Seaton edition, vol. III, page 465 and the following) and being the whole of section 44, township 7 south, range 3 east, Greensburg Land District, Livingston Parish, Louisiana, as shown on the official plat of said township, approved by R. W. Boyd, surveyor general, Louisiana, July 29, 1852, shall be, and the same is hereby, directed to be granted, released, and relinquished by the United States in fee simple to the owners of the equitable title thereto, and to their heirs and assigns forever, as fully and completely in every respect whatever, as could be done by patent issued therefor according to law.

Intent of this Act.

SEC. 2. Nothing contained in this Act shall in any manner abridge, divest, impair, injure, or prejudice any valid right, title, or interest of any person or persons in or to any portion or part of the lands mentioned in said first section, the true intent of this Act being to relinquish and abandon, grant, give, and concede any and all right, interest, and estate, in law or equity, which the United States is or is supposed to be entitled to in said lands in favor of all persons, estates, firms, or corporations who would be the true and lawful owners of the same under the laws of Louisiana, including the laws of prescription, in the absence of the said interest and estate of the United States.

Issue of patent.

SEC. 3. The Department of the Interior shall cause a patent to issue for said land and such patent shall issue in the name of the