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Arthur H. Cornell

Co. Auditor

Special Appearance of
Thomas Lee, Mary L. Sill
and Catherine Lee

State of Minnesota, ss
County of Anoka,

In the matter of the petition of J.W.Merrill and others for a public Ditch in the County of Anoka, and State of Minnesota.

Now comex Thomas Lee, Mary L. Sill, and Catherine Lee and enter a special appearance in the above entitled matter and not otherwise *and not making any other objections* and each and all object to the County Commissioners hearing said matter on the grounds and for the reason that they have never acquired jurisdiction of the lands of the said Thomas Lee, Mary L. Sill, Catherine Lee or the lands of any or either of them.

Further appearing specially the said parties further object to the ~~granting of~~ establishment of said Ditch on the so-called "Lee" Route" for the reason that said ditch was not contemplated by the original petitioners in their petition and that the establishment of said ditch along said route drains a large area of lands not effected by the establishment of a ditch as set forth in the original petition herein and that the Board of County Commissioners have no jurisdiction to allow or establish said ditch described as the "Lee Route", *and further object to the draining of Swan Lake, a meandered body of water*

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