



MEMORANDUM

Date: June 29, 2020

Re: 1858 Map of Pensacola Showing Florida Square

During staff discussions on the potential renaming of R. E. Lee Square to Florida Square, staff was asked to research whether or not the name "Florida Square" was associated with Florida's secession from the United States of America in 1861. The attached 1858 "Plan of Lots in the City of Pensacola" map (courtesy of the UWF Historic Trust Archives) clearly depicts Florida Square as existing (or at least as planned) and named as such prior to the Civil War. As a result, the name, "Florida Square", does not appear to be in recognition of Florida's role or actions during the Civil War.