Auditors office
Houston 22 June 1838

I hereby that I was personally acquainted with M. Joseph Mirlane in the fall and Spring of 1835 & 1836. and am satisfied that from his character for honesty and veracity and who am willing at this time swear (Sam Rhoads) that he would not pretend to offer an account that was unjust. I also know from the Records of the Council that M. Mirlane was appointed commissary or contractor furnishing beef when his term expired it is not known to for said district.

Auditor

Pay this account for fifty dollars
June 22nd 1838

A. S. Thornton
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