The State of Texas
County of Galveston

This day personally appeared ~~before~~ the undersigned Clerk of the County Court in and for the County of Galveston Sidney Sherman who being sworn deposeth and saith that he has been personally acquainted with Cornelius Cox for twenty two years knows that he is now a resident of Nueces County Texas, that he was a Midshipman in the Navy of Texas in the Year 1839, that he was honorably discharged from said Service and believes that his discharge together with the other evidences of his service has been lost and destroyed by the burning of my House in Harrisburg

S. Sherman Col

Sworn to & subscribed before me this 19th day of October A.D. 1857

Witness my hand & the seal of said County Court

Oscar Fairchild Clk