State of South Carolina }
Edgefield District }

Be it Remembered that this day the fifteenth of November in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty eight, before me a Commissioner of Deeds &c. for the State of Texas, personally appeared Jo. Paris a citizen of the City of Augusta Georgia, personally known to me, and whom I certify to be a person of respectable character and entitled to belief, he being duly sworn, says, on oath, that he resided for many years in Richland District South Carolina, where he was personally acquainted with two young men by the name of Frederick and George Schaffer, brothers, he first knew them about the year 1828 or 29 and remained intimate with them up to the latter part of the year 1835 when George left South Carolina, as he informed deponent, for the purpose of going to Macon Georgia to join Col Hannin, or Wards, Company for Texas, some few months after George started for Georgia, deponent was informed by Frederick that his brother George had been too late, that the Georgia Battalion had left him, but that he had gone on to Texas determined to take part in the struggle for liberty, then going on in that Country, had frequent conversations, afterwards, with Frederick about George and learned that he was in the army of Texas, does not know what particular service, some years after George had left South Carolina a report reached Richland District that he had been taken prisoner by the Mexicans and put to death, but deponent does not remember to have heard at what place he was taken, but that he was killed there can be no reasonable doubt, as he has not been heard from since that time. When George Schaffer left South Carolina he was quite a young man, had no family, or relatives, except the brother Frederick, who was a few years the senior. When the late war with Mexico was commenced Frederick Schaffer volunteered for that service, and urged deponent to go with him, saying he intended to be revenged for the murder of his brother George, but he lost his own life in Mexico during that service, he had a wife but no children or other relatives within the knowledge of witness. his wife Elizabeth Schaffer is still a widow and residing in Edgefield District South Carolina

Joseph Paris