has been issued to said deponent, that certificate having been given for advances made in September 1836, exclusively for the relief of the Schooner Brutus – That neither allowance nor provision has ever been made to this deponent, for his advances to Capt Brown – And this deponent further says, that at the time the said advances were made to the said Brown for the redemption of said Schooner Invincible, such was the depressed condition of the resources & credit of the State of Texas, that no person could be found willing, himself alone excepted, to make the necessary advances for the relief of the said vessel, and that he was induced to do it, to save the honor and credit of the Republic.

Dated New York 25th Feb 1857

Saml. Swartwout

State City & County of New York } I do hereby certify that on this 25th day of February 1857 Samuel Swartwout above named appeared before & was duly sworn by me & made oath to the truth of the foregoing instrument and of the facts stated therein

Given under my hand & seal of office at the City County & State aforesaid this 25th day of February 1857.

Isaac D R Bromley Com

Missioner to take the acknowledgment of Deeds &c in the City & State of New York for the State of TEXAS.