The State of Texas }
Jefferson County } Personally came before the undersigned Authority William Allen of ~~Orange~~ Jefferson County who being duly sworn deposes and says that he is 77 years of age he came from England and emigrated to Texas in 1835 and has resided on and near the Coast of Texas ever since, that he is well acquainted with Richard O. Hanlon who is now present about 80 years of age that they affiant and said Hanlon were both engaged in fitting out the Texian Armed vessel Liberty in Dec 1835 for Cruise in the Gulf of Mexico against the Naval vessels of Mexico, and that affiant and the said Hanlon were both acting together on said war vessel in the attack and capture of the Mexican Armed vessel "Pelicano" on 24 Feby 1836 at the Port of Sibal in Mexico, they being both engaged together in said Capture, and battle between the Liberty & Pelicano, said vessel being sent to Texas as a prize.— That affiant believes the said Hanlon is justly entitled to the benefit of the Veteran pension laws of Texas for service in the revolution which resulted in the Seperation of Texas from Mexico, as he remained in service until he was invalided therefrom