Personally came and appeared before me E M Pease a Citizen of Travis County Texas to me well known who being sworn deposes and says that he was connected with the Government ad interim of Texas of which David G Burnett was President, from its organization in the month of March 1836 until it was superseded by the Constitutional Government about the month of October 1836, part of the time as Chief Clerk of the Navy Department and part of the time as Chief Clerk of the Treasury Department, and he was afterwards Clerk in the Treasury Department of the Republic of Texas from sometime in 1836 until the latter part of the month of December 1836 and he was Comptroller of Public accounts of said Republic from sometime in June 1837 until about the middle of December 1837. That he knows that Joseph S Severy was commissioned by said Government ad interim as Lieutenant in the navy of the Republic of Texas and served as such on the Vessel of the Navy of said Republic called the Invincible — He was well acquainted with all the officers in service in the Navy of said Republic in the year 1836