Galveston 8th August 1843.

This is to certify that the bearer, James Atkins, was a Quarter Gunner on board the Texas Sloop of War Austin in her late cruize, that he was in both actions, and in that of the 16th May he received an injury in the left arm from which he will never recover — I take pleasure in recommending him to my fellow-Countrymen as a good and trusty man

Thos. P. Anderson
Late Surgeon T.N.

E. W. Moore