Republic of Texas }
County of Matagorda }

Personally apeared before me ~~and made o~~ Elijah Decroe and William W Rye and made Oath that the said boat Water Witch which belonged to Robt O W McManus was valued ~~at~~ the time she was taken for the use of this republic to be worth one hundred dollars, and William W Rye futher states that the said boat was in his possesion and that Capt William Brown of the man of war Liberty took the said boat on board of said vessel in the month of ~~February~~ March eighteen hundred and thirty six for the use of said vessel

Elijah Decroe
W W Rye

Subscribed & Sworn
to before me this 7th
day of February 1838

H. L. Coons J. P.