

THE STATE OF TEXAS        )  
 COUNTY OF EL PASO        )

I, H.F.Gasky, being duly sworn, depose and say, that I have examined the affidavits in regard to San Martin Spring from Jeff Davis County, and that I wish to add the following to my affidavit, made before J.E.Townsend, County Judge of El Paso County, May 12th, 1890.

That there is a spring in the Guadalupe mountains about thirty five miles North-west of Gomez Peak, called "Martin" Spring, named so, on account of finding a little animal there, we called the Martin and also, because birds called Martins used to come there for water. This spring is known by some people as the Guadalupe Spring.

That I went along with old Simone, the Indian Guide from Ysleta, as Interpreter at different times- (the oldest guide in the country)- and that this Spring in the Guadalupe mountains was so known to him.

I make this additional statement to show that I know both springs, Martin Spring in the Guadalupe Mountains and San Martin Spring in the Apache mountains.

H.F.Gasky.

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED, before me, by H.F.Gasky, June 18th  
 1890.

J. E. TOWNSEND,

(SEAL)

COUNTY JUDGE, EL PASO COUNTY.



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2 County of El Paso }

3 J. H. T. Gasky being  
4 duly sworn, depose and say, that  
5 I have examined the affidavits  
6 in regard to "San Martin" spring  
7 from Jeff Davis County, and  
8 that I wish to add the following  
9 to my affidavit made before J. E.  
10 Townsend County Judge of El Paso Co  
11 May 12<sup>th</sup> 1890.

12 That there is a spring in the  
13 Gadalupse mountains about 35 miles  
14 North west of Gomez Peak, called  
15 "Martin" spring, named so on  
16 account of finding a little animal  
17 there, we called the Martin, and  
18 also because Birds called Martins  
19 used to come there for water, this  
20 spring is known by some people  
21 as Gadalupse spring.

22 That I went along with old Jimmie  
23 the Indian Guide from Galleta as  
24 Interpreter <sup>at different times</sup> (the oldest Guide in  
25 the County) and that this spring  
26 in the Gadalupse Mountains was  
27 so known to him.

28 I make this additional statement  
29 to show that I know both springs  
30 "Martin" spring in the Gadalupse  
31 Mountains and San Martin Spring  
32 in the Apache Mountains

33 H. T. Gasky

Sworn to & subscribed before me  
H. T. Gasky, June 18<sup>th</sup> 1890, J. E. Sammis  
County Judge, El Paso Co.

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Additional testimony of  
Gasky as to upper spring  
called <sup>14</sup>Martine <sup>13</sup>Sp and  
same being in the Grand  
chapel mts instead of  
Apache mts.

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That there is a Spring in the Guadalupe Mountains, about thirty-five miles North-west of Gomez Peak, called "Martin" Spring, named so, on account of finding a little animal there, we called the Martin, and also because birds called Martins used to come there for water; this spring is known by some people as Guadalupe Spring.

That I went along with old Simone, the Indian Guide from Ysleta as interpreter, at different times—( the oldest guide in the country) and that this Spring in the Guadalupe mountains was so known to him.

I make this additional statement to show that I know both Springs, Martin Spring in the Guadalupe mountains and San Martin Spring in the Apache mountains.

H. F. Gasky,

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED before me by H.F.Gasky, June 18,  
1890—

J. E. TOWNSEND,

(SEAL)

COUNTY JUDGE, EL PASO COUNTY.

THE STATE OF TEXAS )

EL PASO COUNTY )

I, H.F.Gasky, being duly sworn depose and say, I am a resident of El Paso County, Texas, I am and have been for a number of years, Deputy Sheriff of El Paso County. I came to El Paso County in 1862 and served as a Scout in the U. S. Army from 1862 to 1864. During my said service I was in the country now comprising the Counties of Reeves, Presidio, Jeff Davis and El Paso Counties. I know the location and names of the mountains, springs, streams and water holes in said Counties. I have since 1862, known the location of San Martin Spring or Springs in the Apache Mountains. The Apache Mountains are South of the Texas and Pacific Railroad and San Martin Spring in the Apache Mountains is about three hundred yards South of the Texas and Pacific Railroad. It lies between Gomez Peak in the Apache mountains and the T. & P.R.R

There is not and never was any Spring known as San Martin Spring ~~on~~ Soldilo Creek, or any San Martin <sup>Spring</sup> in the Apache Mountains North of the Texas and Pacific Railroad.

I have examined the printed maps of El Paso County, published by the Texas and Pacific Railroad and the point indicated thereon as the corner of Reeves, Presidio and El Paso Counties, is San Martin Spring in the Apache Mountains. And has been so known to the People and Indians and Mexicans for the past forty years. A number of years ago I served as Deputy Tax Collector of Presidio County and was with a party of Surveyors engaged in running the boundary line between Pecos and Presidio Counties. This was about 1875, San Martin Spring, in the Apache mountains was then recognized and unquestioned as the corner of said Counties and was so established and a monument erected thereon. The San Martin Spring in the Apache Mountains was always located and indicated on the U.S. Army maps as it is indicated on the Texas and Pacific Railroad Map herein

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referred to. I served as Deputy Sheriff, Deputy Tax Collector and Inspector of hides and animals of Presidio at different times and was familiar with the established boundary line between said Counties. This Spring was so, known and used as a watering and camping place by the soldiers and travelers through that part of the country.

WITNESS MY HAND hereto affixed, El Paso, Texas, this 12th day of May 1890.

H. F. GASKY.

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED before me, this 12th day of May 1890, by H. F. Gasky.

J. E. TOWNSEND,

(SEAL)

COUNTY JUDGE,

EL PASO COUNTY, TEXAS.

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Fort Davis, June 23, 1890

Referring to N. F. Gaskys affidavit will state that there never was a County line run in 1875 between Pecos & Presidio Cos. see records of G. L. O. and that Thos. Nelson built the monument at San Martin Spring as now called, in 1880 or 1881. see his report filed in G. L. O.

That Gasky either has in view the Spring on Saldito Creek as San Martin Spring or his memory is so bad he cant be relied upon, because he states there is a Spring in Guadalupe Mts. called Martin Spring & that it is 35 miles N.W. from San Martin Spring, when as a matter of fact it is some 60 miles from Gony Mts. to Guadalupe Mts. he also pretends to tell why Martin Spring was so named, when as a matter of fact that it was named by Merchants many years prior to Mr. Gaskys coming to this Country, and as every one knows, they generally name a Spring or even a child after the day on which it was found, and there is no doubt this Spring was so named. another fact I would state to the Commissioner is that there is no difference in the meaning between Saint & San

I consider this affidavit as conflicting and not to be relied upon.

Yours truly  
N. M. Patterson

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10/ Testimony of Sackey  
Placing here near the  
Springs south of F.P.R.R.  
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