

State of Texas,
El Paso County } SS

I, ~~John~~ Garcia,
being duly sworn depone and
say I was born in Sauttyaris
El Paso County, Texas, March 1st
1819 and have ever since resided
in said County except when en-
-gaged as herein after stated,
In 1849, however, I engaged and
began work as a scout for the United
States Army and was so engaged
until 1867, During this time
I was engaged as a scout and
guide for the United States Army
and traveled, as such, repeatedly
and frequently over the country
now embraced within the boundaries
of Reno, Jeff Davis, Presidio and
El Paso Counties - & know all the
mountains, trails & roads ^{streams} &
springs in said territory, I also served
as Captain of a Company of Texas State
Rangers in the same County
in 1871 & 2 - I also served some
five terms as County Commissioner
of El Paso County, I know the location
of the Apache Mountains in said

consequently + secured at the same
time George Kohlhaas and
Encarnación Rival were engaged
in like service for the U.S. Army.
The San Martin springs in the
Apache mountains and located south
of the present location of the Texas
& Pacific Railroad + north of what
is known as Grouse Peak. This
spring is correctly located on the
published maps of El Paso County
issued by the Texas Pacific Railroad
and noted as the corner of El Paso
& Reeves + Presidio Counties. In
1849 I was through this part of the
County with Maj. Robinson of the
U.S. Army, who was engaged in
making a topographical map of
the County + the San Martin
spring in the Apache mountains
was then known as it is now +
was so marked on his official
maps + has ever since been so
known to all persons familiar
with the County. This spring was
well known by such names and
frequently used as a watering and
camping place by soldiers and

emigrants passing through the
part of the County, & I know
Salditi Creek - about twenty five
miles north of the San Martin
Spring in the Apache Mountains -
There is one spring in said creek & it
is known as Salditi or salt spring,
It was never known or called by
any other name & never there
is called San Martin Springs
either in the Apache Mountains
or any other Mountains, There is no
range of mountains within four
or five miles of the Spring in Salditi
Creek, The present location of San
Martin Springs in the Apache
Mountains has to my own
personal knowledge been
so known & recognized as
such - the same being the
case of El Paso, Pecos & Rosillos
Counties - seen in 1849, and
is correctly located in the map to
which I herein refer -
written by hand unto & affixed the
31st day of May 1895 -

Gregorio Garcia

sworn to & subscribed before me
by Gregorio Garcia this 31st day of May 1895.

J. J. Townsend, County Judge El Paso County, Texas.

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Affidavit of Ungaria
Garcia locating San
Martin Spr south of T
P RR and has known the
Spr since /49.

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STATE OF TEXAS,
EL PASO COUNTY.

I Gregoria Garcia being duly sworn depose and say, I was born in San Elizario El Paso County, Texas, March 1st, 1819 and have ever since resided in said county, except when engaged as herein after stated.

In 1849, November, I engaged and began work as a scout for the United States Army, and was so engaged until 1867. During this time I was engaged as a scout and guide for the United States Army, and traveled as such repeatedly and frequently over the country now embraced within the boundaries of Reeves, Jeff Davis, Presidio and El Paso Counties, and I know all the mountains, trails or roads, and streams and springs in said territory I also served as Captain of a Company of Texas State Rangers in the same county in 1871 and 1872, I also served some five terms as County Commissioner of El Paso County, I know the location of the Apache Mountains in said county, and served at the

George Kohlhaas and Creucicia Rival, was engaged in like service for the United States Army. The San Martin springs in the Apache Mountains are located south of the present location of the Texas and Pacific Railroad, and north of what is known as Gomez Peak. This spring is correctly located on the published map of El Paso County, issued by the Texas and Pacific Railroad, and noted as the corner of El Paso, Reeves and Presidio counties. In 1849, I was through this part of the country with Major Robinson of the United States Army, who was engaged in making a topographical map of the country, and the San Martin springs in the Apache Mountains, was then known as it is now, and was so marked on his official maps, and has ever since been so known to all persons familiar with the country This spring was well known by such name, and frequently used

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as a watering and camping place by soldiers, and emigrants passing through that part of the country, I know Saldito Creek, about twenty-five miles north of the San Martin springs in the Apache Mountains; There is one spring on said creek, and it is known as Saldito or Salt Spring, it was never known or called by any other name, and never known or called San Martin springs either in the Apache Mountains or any other mountains. There is a range of mountains within four or five miles of the spring on Saldito Creek. The present location of San Martin springs in the Apache Mountains has to my own personal knowledge been so known and recognized as such, the same being the corner of El Paso, Reeves and Presidio counties since 1849, and is correctly located on the map to which I herein refer.

Witness my hand hereto affixed, the 31st day of May, 1890

Gregoria Garcia.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, by Gregoria Garcia, this 31st day of May, 1890.

J. E. Townsend,

County Judge, El Paso County, Texas.

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affidavit of Gregoria
Garcia claiming Lower
Spring as the San Mar-
tin Spring since 1849

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