

The State of Texas,  
El Paso County,

I, Encencio  
Rival, being sworn say I am  
a resident of El Paso County,  
Texas & was born in said County -  
& have always resided  
there, was born in 1817 &  
served as scout and guide in  
the United States Army from 1862  
to 1870 - in the County now  
embraced within the boundaries  
of El Paso, Reeves, Jeff Davis  
& Pecos Counties. In 1863  
I was with (several) other scouts  
in company with Maj. (Moore)  
of the United States Army through  
said County, Maj. Moore was  
preparing a topographical map  
of the County. Salt Water  
Springs in the Apache Mountains  
was indicated as such on his  
map. It is now known located  
at a point south of the present  
location of the Texas & Pacific  
Railroad & is correctly indicated  
as the corner of El Paso, Reeves and  
Pecos Counties on said map.

at the time it was so located  
by May Moon it was done on  
the information of scouts and  
indians who know it as San  
Martin Spring in the Apache  
mountains & gave as the <sup>name</sup> name  
it was so named that an  
Indian named Martin had  
been born at said Spring some  
sixty years before it had been  
that time been so known to  
the Indians and all persons  
familiar with that part of the  
County, & traveled, as a scout,  
frequently through said county  
& know the names & location  
of the mountains, streams,  
roads & springs there.  
I know the location of Saldito  
Creek, about twenty-five  
miles north of San Martin  
Spring in the Apache mountains  
& know the <sup>springs</sup> <sup>locations</sup> <sup>of</sup> them. This  
spring was never known as San  
Martin Spring but known as  
Saldito or Saldito <sup>salt</sup> spring, in later  
years known as Cotton wood

Spring owing to the being some cotton  
 wood but in said creek. The Apache  
 mountains are not within twenty-  
 miles of this spring in Salditi's <sup>creek</sup> ~~creek~~  
 & there are no other mountains  
 within four or five miles thereof.  
 What is known as Governor Peak  
 is just south of San Martin  
 Springs in the Apache mountains  
 & is the north portion of the range  
 known as the Apache Mountains.  
 No part of the Apache mountains  
 is north of the line of the Texas &  
 Pacific Railroad.

San Martin Springs in the Apache  
 Mountains are correctly located  
 and indicated on the map  
 of El Paso County printed by the  
 Texas Pacific Rail road Co  
 & noted there as the corner  
 of El Paso, Reeves & Pecos Counties  
 & has been so known for the past  
 thirty to forty years. This spring was  
 frequently used as a watering place  
 & a place to camp & has been well known  
 as San Martin Spring in the Apache  
 mountains. Witness my hand & seal this  
 31<sup>st</sup> day of May 1890. —

Respectfully,  
 J. R. Baird  
 Mayor

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Witness  
 J. O. Larrasola:—

Sworn to & subscribed before  
me by Crescencio Rival May 31<sup>st</sup>  
1890.

J. E. Townsend  
County Judge  
El Paso County  
Texas

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off't of Crescencio  
Rival  
El Paso Co. Blm's line  
5-31-1890

THE STATE OF TEXAS )

EL PASO COUNTY )

I, Crecencio Rival, being sworn, say, I am a resident of El Paso County, Texas, and was born in said County and have always resided there. Was born in 1817, and served as Scout and Guide in the United States Army from 1862 to 1870, in the country now embraced within the boundaries of El Paso, Reeves, Jeff Davis and Presidio Counties. In 1863 I was with several other Scouts in company with Maj. Moore of the United States Army through said country. Maj. Moore was preparing a topographical work of the country. San Martin Springs in the Apache mountains was indicated as such on his map. It is and was then located at a point South of the present location of the Texas and Pacific Railroad, and is correctly indicated as the corner of El Paso, Reeves and Presidio counties on said map. At the time it was so located by Maj. Moore, it was done on the information of Scouts and Indians who knew it as San Martin Spring in the Apache Mountains and gave as the name, it was so named that an Indian named Martin had been born at said Spring some sixty (60) years before and it has since that time been so known to the Indians and all persons familiar with that part of the country. I traveled as a Scout frequently through said country and know the names and location of the mountains, streams, roads and springs thereof.

I know the location of Soldilo Creek, about twenty-five miles North of San Martin Springs in the Apache mountains, and know the Spring thereon. This Spring was never known as San Martin Spring, but known as Soldilo or Salt Spring in later years known as Cottonwood Spring owing to there being some cotton wood trees on said Creek. The Apache mountains are not within twenty miles of this Spring or Soldilo Creek and there are no other mountains within four or five miles thereof. What is known as Gomez Peak is just

South of San Martin Spring in the Apache mountains, and is the North portion of the range known as the Apache mountains. No part of the Apache mountains is North of the line of the Texas and Pacific Railroad.

San Martin Springs in the Apache Mountains are correctly located and indicated on the maps of El Paso County, printed by the Texas and Pacific Railroad Company and noted thereon as the corner of El Paso, Reeves and Presidio Counties and has been so known for the past thirty to forty years. This Spring was frequently used as a watering place and a place to camp and has been well known as San Martin Springs in the Apache mountains.

WITNESS MY HAND hereto affixed this 31st day of May, 1890.  
his  
Crecencio X Rival,  
Mark.

WITNESS

O.A.Larrazola.

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED before me by Crecencio Rival May 31st, 1890.

J.E.TOWNSEND,

(SEAL)

COUNTY JUDGE,

EL PASO COUNTY, TEXAS.

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affidavit of Crecencio  
Luis.  
X Paval as to the lower  
mark Spring being the  
San Martin and nam-  
ed for an Indian born  
there 60 years ago

5-31-1890