

THE STATE OF TEXAS. | Before me Saml. S. Smith, Clerk of the County
COUNTY OF BEXAR | Court of Bexar County personally appeared Fran-
cisco Esparza a Citizen of Bexar County to me
personally known, who being by me first duly sworn upon his oath saith that the late
Gregorio Esparza was his Brother; that said Gregorio Esparza about the middle of
October 1835. entered the Texas service as a volunteer, and as such volunteer Soldier
he entered Bexar between the mornings of the 5th and 10th of December 1835. with the
American forces; he remained in Bexar until the approach of Genl. Santa Anna when
he entered the Alamo, when he was killed with Cols. Travis, Crockett, Bowie and
the other Americans. After the fall of the Alamo I applied and obtained permission
from Genl. Cos to take the body of my Brother (Gregorio Esparza) and bury it. I
proceeded to the Alamo and found the dead body of my Brother in one of the Rooms
of the Alamo, he had received a ball in his breast, and a stab from a sword in his
side, I, ~~took his body~~ in company with two of my brothers, took his body, and we
proceeded and interred it the burrying ground (Campo Santo) on the West side of the
San Pedro Creek, where it still lies. My Brother at the takin of Bexar was under
the command of Col. Juan N. Seguin and Capt. Don Manuel Flores and a member of
their company. I was ~~not~~ in service at the time of the Storming of Bexar, the company
to which I belonged the Local Presidial Company of Bexar, and the soldiers of the
company of the Alamo were under the Capitulation of Genl. Cos, allowed to remain
in Bexar with their families, I remained with my family, as I was born here, and
had always lived here; When Santa Anna arrived here in Feb. 1836. he gave orders
that all those who were the local Soldiers at the Capitulation of Genl. Cos, should
hold ~~themselves~~ themselves in readiness to join the Army for active service, but he
never called us away from our homes. I remained here, when Santa Anna's Army
went into the interior of Texas, and I am now fifty-four years of age and have ~~always~~
lived here ever since, and done and performed all the duties of a good Citizen, as
all my neighbors can testify. I mention these facts to show the reason why permis-
sion was given me to bury the body of my Brother. The legal heirs of my said De-
ceased Brother, Gregorio Esparza, are as follows "To Wit:" Enriquez Esparza;
Manuel Esparza; and Francisco Esparza his sons, who are living now in Attascoso
County together at their Ranche.

Sworn to and | | his
subscribed, (he | | Francisco X Esparza
making his mark for | | mark
signature declaring his | |
inability to write) this | |

26th day of August 1859. And I do hereby certify that the said Francisco Esparza is
personally known to me to be the identical person he represents himself to be, and
that he is a man of credibility, and a Citizen of Texas, and a resident of Bexar County.
And that after having read over the above depositions to the said deponent and no one
being present but him and myself and he being again duly sworn by me, he upon his
oath said that his depositions, as written out above, are true and correct, and he
signed the same in my presence, making his mark, declaring his inability to write.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto signed
my name and affixed the seal of the County
Court of said County, at Office, in San Antonio
this 26th day of August 1859.

S E A L

/s/ Sam S. Smith
Clk C C B Co

The State of Texas. } Reformed Saml.
County of Bexar. } S. Smith, Clerk
of the County Court of Bexar County
personally appeared Francisco Espanza a
Citizen of Bexar County to me personally
known, who being by me first duly sworn
upon his Oath saith that the late Grego-
rio Espanza was his Brother; that said
Gregorio Espanza about the middle of
October 1835. entered the Texan service
as a Volunteer, and as such Volunteer
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killed with Cols. Travis, Crockett, Bowie and
the other Americans. After the fall of the
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Rooms of the Alamo, he had received a ball
in his breast, and a stab from a sword
in his side, I ~~took his body~~ in company
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we proceeded and interred it the burying

ground (Campo Santo) on the West side of
the San Pedro Creek, where it still lies.

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the command of Col. Juan N. Seguin and
Cap. Don Manuel Flores and a number of
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ulation of Genl. Cos, allowed to remain in
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with my family, as I was born here, and had
always lived here; When Santa Anna arrived
here in Feb. 1836. he gave orders that all those
who were ^{the local} Soldiers at the Capitulation of Genl.
Cos, should hold ~~themselves~~ themselves in readiness
to join the Army for active service, but he never
called us away from our homes. I remained
here, when Santa Anna's Army went into the
interior of Texas, and I ^{am now fifty four years of age and} have ~~always~~ lived here
ever since, and done and performed all the
duties of a good Citizen, as all my neighbours can
testify. I mention these facts to show the reason
why permission was given me to bury the body of
my Brother. The legal heirs of my said deceased
Brother, Engriso Eparza, are as follows "to wit":
Enriquez Eparza; Manuel Eparza; and

Francisco Esparza his sons, who are living
now in Attascoso County together at their Rancho.

Sworn to and

subscribed, (he

making his mark for

signature declaring his

inability to write) this

his

Francisco + Esparza

mark

26th day of August 1839. And I do hereby cer-
tify that the said Francisco Esparza is
personally known to me to be the identical
person he represents himself to be, and
that he is a man of Credibility, and a
Citizen of Texas, and a resident of Bexar
County. And that after having read over
the above depositions to the said deponent,
and no one being present but him and
myself and he being again duly sworn
by me, he upon his oath said that his
depositions, as written out above, are true
and correct, and he signed the same in my
presence, making his mark, declaring his ina-
bility to write. In testimony whereof I have

herunto signed my name
and affixed the seal of
The County Court of said
County, at Office, in San An-
tonio this 26th day of August 1839

James M. Smith
Clerk of the Court



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Gregorio Escobar
Dir. & Board

1867

THE STATE OF TEXAS.} Before me Saml. S. Smith, Clerk of the County
COUNTY OF BEXAR. } Court of said County personally appeared Candelario Villanueva a citizen of Bexar County to me personally known who being by me first duly sworn upon his oath saith that he was a member of Capt. J. N. Seguins Company in 1835 & 1836. That he entered Bexar between the mornings of the 5th and 10th of Decr. 1835. with the American forces; that the late Gregorio Esparza was also a Soldier of Capt. J. N. Seguins Company and he did enter Bexar with the American Forces and actually assisted in the reduction of Bexar and that he remained therein till after the capitulation of Genl. Cos subsequently after the storming of Bexar the said Gregorio Esparza remained at Bexar until the approach of Santa Anna's Army when he went into the Alamo with the Americans. I remained at Bexar and when Santa Anna's Troops were entering the Town I started with Col. Seguin for the Alamo, when we were on the way Col. Seguin set me back to lock his house up whilst performing that duty Santa Anna's Soldiers got between me and the Alamo, and I had to remain in the Town during the seige and assault of the Alamo. After the fall of the Alamo I went there and among the dead body's of those lying inside of the rooms I recognized the body of Gregorio Esparza; I also saw the dead bodies of Antonio Fuentes; Toribio Losoyo; Guadalupe Rodriguez and other Mexicans who had fallen in the defence of the Alamo, as also the bodies of Col. Travis, Bowie, Crockett and other Americans that I had previously known. I saw Francisco Esparza and his brothers take the body of Gregorio Esparza and carry it off towards the Campo Santo for interment; the bodies of the Americans were laid in a pile and burnt. I remained in Bexar until the return of Capt. Seguin and his companions after the battle of San Jacinto when I rejoined his company - I afterwards entered the Regiment of Col. J. N. Seguin as a regular Soldier, about the 1st of November 1836. As a member of Capt. Antonio Manchaca's Company. The heirs of said Gregorio Esparza are his sons Enriquez, Manuel & Francisco Esparza, now living in Atascoso County.

Sworn to and subscribed (he making his mark for signature declaring his inability to write,) before me this 26th day of

his
Candelario X Villanueva
mark

August A. D. 1859. And I do hereby certify that the said Candelario Villanueva is personally known to me to be the identical person he represents himself to be, and a man of credibility, and a Citizen of Texas, and a resident of Bexar County, and after having read over the abovedepositions to the said deponent, and no one being present but him and myself and he being again sworn by me, upon oath said that the above depositions are true and correct, and he signed the same in my presence by making his mark within his name for signature declaring his inability to write.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto signed my name and affixed the seal of the County Court of said County, at Office, in San Antonio. This 26th day of August A. D. 1859.

S E A L

/s/ Sam S. Smith
Clk. C. C. B. Co.

The State of Texas. Before me Saml. S.
County of Bexar. Smith, Clerk of the
County Court of said County personally
appeared Doncellario Villanueva a citizen
of Bexar County some personally known
who being by me first duly sworn upon
his oath said that he was a member
of Capt. J. N. Seguin's Company in 1835
& 1836. That he entered Bexar between
the mornings of the 5th and 10th of Decr.
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Seguin's Company and he did enter Bexar with
the American forces and actually assisted in
the reduction of Bexar and that he remained
therein till after the capitulation of Genl. Cos.
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approach of Santa Anna's Army when he went
into the Alamo with the Americans. I remained
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entering the town I started with Col. Seguin for
the Alamo, when we were on the way Col. Seguin
sent me back to lock his house up whilst per-
forming that duty Santa Annas' Soldiers got between
me and the Alamo, and I had to remain in the
town during the siege and assault of the Alamo.
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The dead bodies of those lying inside of the rooms I recognized the body of Gregorio Espanza; I also saw the dead bodies of Antonio Fuentes; Toribio Cosayo; Guadalupe Rodriguez and other Mexicans who had fallen in the defence of the Alamo, as also the bodies of Col. Travis, Bowie, Crockett and other Americans that I had previously known. I saw Francisco Espanza and his brothers take the body of Gregorio Espanza and carry it off towards the Campo Santo for interment; the bodies of the Americans were laid in a pile and burnt.

I remained in Texas until the return of Capt. Seguin and his companions after the battle of San Jacinto when I rejoined his company - I afterwards entered the Regiment of Col. J. N. Seguin as a regular soldier, about the 1st of November 1836. as a member of Capt. Antonio Munchaca's

Company. The heirs of said Gregorio Espanza and his sons Enrique, Manuel & Francisco Espanza, now living in Alascolo County.

Sworn to and subscribed (he

his

making his mark for signature *Candelario Villanueva*
declaring his inability to write,) mark

before me this 26th day of

August A. D. 1839. and I do hereby certify that the said Candelario Villanueva is personally known to me to be the identical person he represents himself to be, and a man of credibility, and a citizen of Texas, and a resident of Texas County.

and after having read over the above depositions to the said deponent, and no one being present but him and myself and he being again sworn by me, upon oath said that the above depositions are true and correct, and he signed the same in my presence by making his mark within his name for signature declaring his inability to write.



In testimony whereof I have hereunto signed my name and affixed the seal of the County Court of said County, at Office, in San Antonio. This 26th day of August A. D. 1839.

J. M. F. Smith
Clerk C. C. & Co.

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Sen. 1854



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Answers of Gregorio Hernandez and Captain
Don Manuel Flores

Both Interrogatories propounded to them
in the application before the Commissioner
of the Court of Claims for the approval
of a 1920. Bounty and a 640. Donation
issued to Gregorio Esparza for services at
the storming of Bexar in 1835. and having
fallen in the Alamo at the storming thereof
in 1836. And also, their answers to the
Cross Interrogatories propounded to them
by the Commissioner of the Court of Claims
upon the aforesaid applications.

1st Answers of Gregorio Hernandez

1st Inty. Yes, I was acquainted with Gregorio Esparza,
I knew him all his life up to the time of his death, here.

2^d Inty. Yes, I know of Military services performed by the
said Gregorio ~~Hernandez~~ Esparza for Texas; it was at San Antonio
de Bexar in 1835. & 1836. he was a member of Cap. J. A.
Seguin's Company, and afterwards he fell at the Alamo
with Col. Travis and his command

3^d Inty. The said Esparza is dead, He entered the Alamo
with the Texans under Col. Travis and was killed by
the enemy in the storming of said place in March 1836.
His body was found after the fight, and was claimed by
his Widow and his relations, and buried by them. I saw
him but a few days before the fall of the Alamo, and know
that he was with the Americans and entered the walls of
the Alamo with them, and I never saw him afterwards.
I was intimate with him and his family and know that
he was killed at the fall of the Alamo.

4th Inty. The said Esparza was a member of Cap. Juan A.
Seguin's Company. He entered the service in Oct. 1835. &
joined like the balance of us, for during the war; He was

at the storming of Bexar in 1835. He was considered a member of said Company at the time of his death, although he might have attached himself to some other Company after entering the Alamo. He was at the storming of Bexar in Dec^r 1835, and did actually enter said Town at that time with the American forces, and actually participated in the said Siege until the Capitulation of General Cos.

5th Int^y. It is as notoriously known among the Mexican Citizens of Bexar County that Gregorio Esparza was one of the Martyrs of the Alamo, as it is known and believed among the Americans that Bowie or Crockett was one.

Sworn and subscribed before me this } Gregorio Hernandez
27th day of December A.D. 1838. }
J. M. Smith }
Com^o }
C. C. C. }
C. C. C. }

Answers of Gregorio Hernandez to the Cross Interrogatories
1st Cross. Said Gregorio Esparza was in the Military service of Texas in 1835 & 36. He joined the Army in the vicinity of San Antonio sometime in the latter part of October 1835. for during the war. He served from that time until he was killed at the storming of the Alamo, March 6th 1836. He was in Capt Juan N. Seguins Company, and with Col. Travis. He was in the volunteer service. He was killed in the service. The only Land obtained on the Certificate mentioned in the Interrogatories. The facts of his service in the taking of Bexar I know from personal knowledge. The fact of his having fallen at the Alamo I believe to be true.

2nd Int^y (Cross) because his Wife, his Children, and his relations have told me that they recognized his body after the fight applied for it, obtained it, and gave it Christian Burial. I know of my own knowledge that he was with Col. Travis's Command just previous to the coming of Genl Santa Anna; and

- I never saw him after the fall of the Alamo.
- 3rd Crof Intqy. I know that ^{saige} Ingorio Eparza was at the storming of Bixar, because we intend said place together, and I saw him actually participating in its reduction.
- 4th Crof I know he remained, because I saw him at the Capitulation and afterwards. He was engaged in said action all the time upon the north side of the Town.
- 5th Crof He was a member of Cap. Juan A. Seguin's Company.
- 6th Crof. I was in said Service in Cap. J. A. Seguin's Company, I was a private. I served on the north part of the Town and participated in the taking of the Houses, and the Squans.
- 7th Crof. The above Land is the only Land for said service that has been granted to my knowledge ~~by~~ I do not know who by, they were obtained through the late Ben. E. Edwards. This application was made by Ben. E. Edwards as agent of part, and as the Agent & attorney of the Heirs, this I have understood from the Heirs themselves. The Heirs of said Ingorio Eparza were, and are as follows. At the time of his death in March 1836. he left a surviving Wife and four Children. His widow died in this City in 1848. One of the four Children Maria de Jesus Eparza died without issue in 1849. in this City the other three Children "To Wit" Enriquez Eparza Manuel Eparza and Francisco Eparza are living, and are now residents of Atascoso County; they have been Citizens of Bixar and Atascoso Counties all their lives. There three sons
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Am the sole Heirs of the said Gregorio
España, deceased.

8th Cross Interrogatory I know the above facts
from my own personal knowledge.

Worn to and subscribed
before me this 27th day
of December A.D. 1838.

Jam. Smith
Clerk.

Gregorio Hernandez
Jr

Gregorio España
Jr

2^o Answer of Captain Don Manuel Flores to the Interrogatories.

1^o Interrogatory. Yes I was acquainted with Gregorio Esparza, I knew him here in Bexar from his boyhood to his death.

2^o Interrogatory. Yes, I do know of Military services performed by the said Gregorio Esparza for Texas. it was in 1835. & 1836. at San Antonio de Bexar.

he was in the Voluntary service under Capt. Seguin.

3^o Interrogatory. The said Esparza is dead, he was killed in the Alamo with Travis, in the siege thereof by Santa Anna in 1836. It is a fact notoriously known to all that Gregorio Esparza fell at the Alamo with Col. Travis, I was well acquainted with him, and upon my return here after the battle of San Jacinto I was told by all that Gregorio Esparza with others had fallen at the Alamo, the truth has never been doubted.

4^o Interrogatory. The said Esparza entered the service in Oct. 1835. in Capt J. A. Seguin's Company, he volunteered for the war he was at the storming of Bexar in Decr 1835. and with Col. Travis at the Alamo.

He was at the storming of Bexar in 1835. and he actually entered said Town at that time with the American forces, and he actually participated in the siege and he remained there until after the surrender of Gen. Cos.

Interrogatory 3^o. I know that the said Gregorio Esparza was at the taking of Bexar and was one of the Patriots who fell at the Alamo in 1836.

Sworn to and subscribed
before me this 13th day of
Decr. 1838. J. M. J. J. J.
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Man. Flores

- 1st Croq. Duty. Said Gregorio Esparza was in the Military service of Texas in 1835 & 1836. He joined the Army in Oct. 1835. in the vicinity of Bexar. I saw him first at the Mill. he joined for the war. He served until he was killed in the Alamo in Mar. 1836. He was in Capt. Seguin's Company in the Volunteer service. Killed in service. I know nothing about his Land. I know the above facts of service in Capt. Seguin's Company from personal knowledge.
- 2^d Croq. I know that he was at the Alamo and fell with Travis, the same that any one knows that Travis fell there. because I have been told so by men and women who saw him enter the walls, and never saw him afterwards, and by his relations who buried his body.
- 3^d Croq. I know that he was at the storming of Bexar because I was there, and saw him there.
- 4th I saw him at Bexar at the Capitulation of Gen. Cos. and afterwards. He participated in the taking of the squares, on the North side of the Town.
- 5th Croq. He belonged to Capt. Seguin's Company.
- 6th I was in the said service in Capt. Gen. A. Seguin's Company. I was orderly Sergeant. I served on the North side of the City in the taking of the squares.
- 7th Croq. I do not know about his Land. I think this application is made by his heirs. I do not recollect who are his heirs. I think they live here in Bexar.
8. I know the above facts of service from personal knowledge. The fact of his having fallen in the Alamo, I believe to be true.

Worn and subscribed before me
 this 13th day of December 1838.

J. M. F. Smith
 Cor. C. S. C.

M. W. Jones

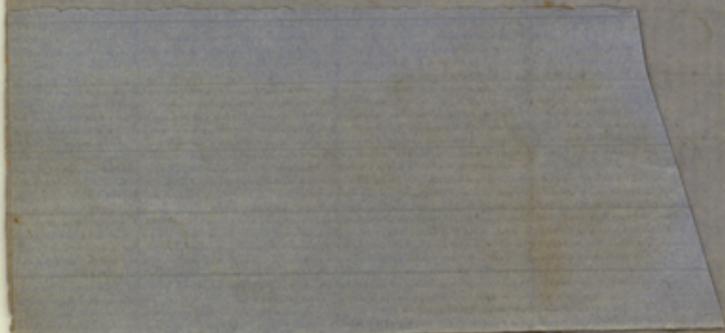
The State of Texas, Be it remembered that on
County of Bexar. The 27th day of Dec^r 1838 & on the
13th day of December A.D. 1858. J. Sam. S. Smith
Clerk of the County Court of said county, by virtue of
the commission, to me directed by the Commissioners of
the Court of Claims, and which is hereto attached,
in the matter of the application of Ingorio Eparza
for the approval of a 1920. Roubin & a 640. Donation certificate
and it is come to pass as follows: Ingorio Eparza and
Don Manuel Flores two of the witnesses named in
said Commission, who each are personally known
to me to be the identical persons they represent them-
selves to be, and each known to me to be men of credibi-
lity and citizens of Texas and residents of Bexar
County and to whom I propounded (carefully inter-
preting the same into Spanish) the Interrogatories and
cross Interrogatories hereto attached, to each separately
and alone, and having carefully reduced the answers
to writing, and having read over the said answers
and carefully interpreted the same to each witness
separately and apart from the other, and without the
applicant nor his Agent being present, and the said
witnesses being each by me duly sworn, upon oath
said that his answers to the said Interrogatories
and cross Interrogatories are true and correct, and
each signed the same in my presence. To certify of which
I have herunto signed my
name and affixed the seal
of the County Court of said
county, at office in San Antonio
the day and year above writ-
ten. J. Sam. S. Smith
Clerk





CK 2558

Wagon Exchange



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Gyonia Sparza
Donation 140 acres

Registered & Rejected
March 16th 1857.

withdrewn by A. P. Kelly

July 23^d 1857.

Approved May 29. 1860.

Refiled May 25. 1838

by Geo. A. & H. Crum

Sent to the Chanc. Sec Office

May 21. 1860. by A. C.

Comister

Delivered to J. W. Green

May 26th 1860.

Presented by

A. P. Kelly.

Exand. Genl. Lt. Officer Registrar - Cornet

His name does not appear anywhere
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For [unclear] filed with Dow, warrant

C/C 2558

No 1577

Gregoria Esparza

Bounty 1920

Registered & Depicted

April 6th 1857

Withdrawn Same day

by J. J. Shanks

Clk

Approved May 22. 1860.

Sent to the Genl. Ad. Office

May 24th 1860 by

J. W. Covert

delivered to C. W. Green

May 26th 1860.

Re-filed May 25, 1868

By Geo. A. W. Green

Presented By

Chas Montet

Hugonis Espoza 1920 Bounty

Hugonis Espoza 600 Donation

Intimations to be prepared to Messrs
Espoza Juan A Seguin, Manuel Flores
J Antonio Savano, Domingo Diaz, Clemente Pustillo
Edwards Hernandez, Hugonis Hernandez and
Domingo Lopez. Citizens of Bexar County to
move up the above claims, now presented
for approval.

Inty 1. Were you acquainted with
Hugonis Espoza. if so when & where did you
know him

Inty 2. Do you know of any military
service ever performed by said Espoza for Texas
if so when & where was it, in what Company
or Command; and what service it was.

Inty 3. Do you know whether the said
Espoza is alive or dead, if dead where did
he die & how did he come by his death.
If you say he was killed at the Alamo
in the Siege thereof by Santa Anna in 1836 -
state your means of information, and
state all you may know that would
entitle the said ^{Heir of} Espoza to the Claims he
seeks

Inty 4. Do you know whose Company ^{& when} the
said Espoza first entered the Service, How long
was he interested for in said Company. What Service
did he perform in the same & was he a member
thereof or any other Company at the time of his
death. - Was he at the Storming of Bexar
in December 1835. Did he actually enter

said town at that time with the American
forces, and did he actually participate
in the said Siege until the Capitulation of Gual
Cac. —

July 5th State all you may know
that is material to the question in issue —
The question being whether Gregorio Esparza
is entitled to the 1920 Bounty & also Donation
which has heretofore been issued to him for
having been killed at the Alamo.

Geo A. R. Green
atty for Applicant

Gregorio Esparza

1920. Bounty
& also Donation

Geo A. R. Green

July 5th - to Gregorio Esparza
rather —

Aug. 23, 1838

Green

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Gregorio Espanza } Court of Claims,

VS. THE STATE OF TEXAS. } Austin, Texas, Sep 2. D. 1858.

CROSS INTERROGATORIES TO Francis Espanza
Who reside in Bexar County, & witness for the
kins of Said Gregorio Espanza who applied for
the approval of Bounty & Donation Land
warrants.

1st. When was said Gregorio Espanza
in the Military service of Texas; when and where did he join the Army; for what time did he
enlist; how long did he serve; in whose company was he; in what service was he engaged;
when, where and by whom was he discharged; where is said discharge; has not the land due
for said service been heretofore applied for and obtained; why not; how do you know the
above facts?

2nd. How do you know that he was at the Alamo with
Francis & thus killed?

3rd. How do you know that he was at the Storming of Bexar;
when he entered said place, that he actually par-
ticipated in its reduction?

4th. How do you know that he
remained at Bexar until the
Surrender of Bexar; what part of the action was he in?

5th. To whose company did he belong? ~~When you were in said action~~
~~What was your position in your Company?~~

6th. Were you in said Service, and in whose company? Had you an
office - where did you serve in said Regt;

7th. Has the land due for this service ~~not~~ been granted? ~~Why not?~~ By whom? Is
this application made by the kins of said Espanza - who
are his kins & where do they reside?

8th. How do you know the above facts?

Edward Clark
Clerk

Gregorio Esparru

THE STATE OF TEXAS.

OFFICE OF COMMISSIONER OF CLAIMS.

To The Clerk of the County Court
Bexar County:

You are hereby Commissioned to Take the Depositions of Francisco Sepveda Juan N. Seguin
Mamul Flores Antonio Navarro Domingo Diaz Clemente Bustillo
Edwards Hernandez Gregorio Hernandez & Domingo Lopez residents of your
County, in answer to the accompanying interrogatories, taking care that neither the
applicant nor agent shall be present. The answers being read over to the witness,
he shall sign and swear to the same in your presence, to which you shall certify,
under your hands and official seal.

The answers, together with this Commission and the accompanying interroga-
ries, you will please enclose in an envelope, and direct the same to "The Com-
missioner of Claims, Austin, Texas," and write your name and official designation
across the Seal. The applicant first paying your fees.

GIVEN under my hands and Seal, at office, this

28 day of April
A. D. 1855

Edward Clark

Commissioner of Claims.

NOTE.—The Commissioner will please certify to the identity and credibility of the witness if known to him. If the witness is unknown, he will require his identity and credibility to be established by the testimony of at least one credible witness, whom he does know, and certify accordingly. If more than one witness let them be examined separately and apart from each other.

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