

*Quarter*

AMNESTY OATH

—AND—

EXAMINATION

—OF—

*Samuel Richardson*

of *Van Zandt* County

*Texas*

*June 23, 1865.*

*Co I 22 Tex Inf*

Statement of Samuel O. Richardson <sup>Deserted</sup> ~~paroled rebel~~ ~~prisoner~~  
made at St Louis Mo before H. K. Milly ~~and~~ <sup>and of</sup>  
Assistant Provost Marshal, this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of June 1865.

My age is 37 years. I was born in Way ~~Franklin~~ <sup>Franklin</sup> County and  
State of Mo

I was in arms against the United States, and was a (rank) private  
in "P" Company 22 Texas Infy

I was sworn into the rebel service about the 13<sup>th</sup> day of  
May 1862, by a St of 6<sup>th</sup> Lt  
in Smith County, Texas for 3 years

I served in the rebel army until the 15 day of Oct 1863, when  
~~I was surrounded and paroled,~~ <sup>Deserted</sup> at Beetlebeaf in the State of  
La <sup>Desertion</sup>  
At the date of my ~~parole~~ <sup>Desertion</sup>, I was a (rank)  
Private in Company "I" 22 Texas Infy.

At the date of my enlistment in the rebel army, I was an actual resident of the  
County of Van Zandt and State of Texas  
and still consider that as my home. I intend to reside there in the future, and follow  
the avocation of Making salt

I desire to take the Oath of Amnesty, prescribed by the Proclamation of His  
Excellency the President of the United States, of date, December 8th, A. D. 1863,  
if permitted to do so, and will faithfully observe all its terms and conditions.

Subscribed and sworn to before me }  
the day first above named.

S. J. Richardson

W. H. Wheeler  
Lieut & Asst Examiner

~~How many times have you been in arms during the rebellion?~~

Once. Since my  
desertion have been at a brother-in-law in Clark Co  
most of the time. at work. Prepart for the purpose  
of taking the Oath & going home

II. Have you at any time taken up arms as a Guerrilla, or belonged to or acted with any Band or Company of Guerrillas or Bushwhackers?

No

III. Have you ever taken the Oath of Allegiance to the United States, or given a Bond to the Military Authorities? If so, state when, where, and before whom you took such oath or executed such bond?

Took the Oath of Allegiance Nov 2 1863. at New Orleans La. before  
Pro Mar Maj. Porter. Did not give bond and have never  
violated that Oath. but lost it in last Sept.

IV. Are you included in either of the classes of persons who are excepted from the benefits of the Amnesty Proclamation? (The officer will here state what the excepted classes are.)

No

S Richardson

Sworn & subscribed to  
before me this 23 day of  
June 1865

M. C. Amerson  
Lieut & Asst Examiner