

State of Texas,
County of Denton, SS.

Thomas Skaggs Sr. after being duly sworn says his age is sixty-seven years a resident citizen of Denton County, Texas, Post Office Address, Denton Texas. I was born and raised in the State of Kentucky and have always been taught that we have Cherokee Indian Blood in our veins, and that we derived the same from the Jones and Thompson families and that Netsey Thompson was one of our ancestors. My great grand father Charles Skaggs married a half blood Indian woman named Polly Thompson and she was a Daughter of Netsey Thompson. My grand fathers name was Moses Skaggs, and he had the following brothers that I was acquainted with: Rev. Thomas Skaggs, Benjamin Skaggs, and Arsh Skaggs and they lived in Green County in the State of Kentucky, and they always claimed to be Cherokee Indians. My Father Thomas Skaggs always taught me that we were Cherokee Indians. Then the ancestors of the Thomasons and the Jones and all the Old Settler Skaggs, that lived in Kentucky claimed to be Cherokee Indians and these that I was acquainted with had the habits and disposition and looked like Indians. My half uncle that now lives at Durant Indian Territory was named John Thompson Skaggs, for John Thompson, who was one of our Indian Ancestors. Further the deponent saith not.

Thomas Skaggs.

Sworn to and subscribed before me by Thomas Skaggs, on this the 15th day of Feb. A. D. 1885.

R. M. Neal

(seal.)

Notary Public in and for Denton County, Texas.