

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS  
HOUSTON DIVISION

NATHAN SMITH  
Plaintiff

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V.

CIVIL ACTION H-07-784

THE ABANDONED VESSEL,  
ET AL.  
Defendant.

**EXHIBIT A**

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THE ABANDONED VESSEL,  
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DECLARATION OF NATHAN SMITH IN SUPPORT OF SMITH'S RESPONSE TO  
SORENSEN'S MOTION TO DISMISS

My name is Nathan Smith. I am over 21 years of age and have personal knowledge of the facts stated in this declaration.

1. I am the Plaintiff in this case.
2. As a result of research I conducted, I believe that I have found an abandoned treasure ship within the navigable waters of the United States.
3. The vessel is under water.
4. I have been to the vessel by boat. From the vessel location, a person could travel to the Mission River, from the Mission River to the Gulf of Mexico and intracoastal waterways, and from there to other states in the United States.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on November 20, 2007  
In LOS ANGELES CA



NATHAN SMITH