MARTIN, James  
Sergeant, U.S. Marine Corps  
G. O. Navy Department, No. 45  
December 31, 1864

CITATION:

As captain of a gun on board the U.S.S. RICHMOND during action against rebel forts and gunboats and with the ram TENNESSE in Mobile Bay, 5 August 1864. Despite damage to his ship and the loss of several men on board as enemy fire raked her decks, Sergeant Martin fought his gun with skill and courage throughout the furious 2-hour battle which resulted in the surrender of the rebel ram TENNESSE and in the damaging and destruction of batteries at Fort Morgan.