Republic of Texas

Dr to Benjamin Owen Payne

For serving rendered as Captain of Ordnance
from 3d of October to 30 of November 1843. one month at $50. — $60.00

Houston Arsenal
Nov 30th 1843.

Approved, Washington, 30th. Nov, 1843.

Geo. Hay Marines

Republic of Texas
County of Harris

Know all Men by these presents, that I, Benjn Owen Payne, of the said County reposing special trust and confidence in the integrity and skill of M. B. Hamilton Esq. of the County of Washington have constituted and appointed, and do by these presents appoint the said M. B. Hamilton Esq, my true and lawful attorney in fact & and my agent and receive for me & in my name, of the Government of the said Republic the amt of the preceding acct for pay due me from said Government hereby authorizing him to sign my name to the necessary receipts or acquitances for the same - which the said Government may require by its regulations - hereby binding myself my heirs - &c &c. for the acts of my said Attorney in the premises. Witness my signature this 29th day of Octbr A.D. 1843.

B. O. Payne

Republic of Texas
County of Harris

Before me A. P. Thompson, Chief Justice of the County Court of said County, ex officio Notary Public, came B. O. Payne - whose signature appears to the above written letter of Attorney, and acknowledged that he signed & delivered the said instrument as his binding act and deed. — To Certify which - I have hereunto signed my name, and put the seal of the said Court this 29th day of October A.D. 1843.

A. P. Thompson
Chief Justice H. C.
ex Offo. Notary Public

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