State of Texas } Know All Men by these Presents That
County of Lamar } we Catharine Hines, who was formerly Catharine Gillespie widow of Isaac Gillespie Deceased and her Husband Benedict J Hines of the County & State aforesaid have this day constituted and appointed J D St. Clair our Agent and Attorney in fact for us, and in our names to act demand and receive from the Commissioner of the Court of Claims Treasurer of the State, Comptroller or any Officer of the State of Texas authorized to act or pay for the State, any Claim or demand either for Money or Land Certificates to which the said Catharine Hines widow of Isaac Gillespie Decd may be entitled to under the Laws of the Republic of Texas & State of Texas for services rendered in Capt. Wesley Ashins Company in the year 1842.
Hereby empowering & authorising our said Agent & Attorney in fact to use and sign our names to any receipt release or other instrument that may be legally necessary to enable him to obtain for us whatever may be due us by the Republic & State of Texas for services rendered by Isaac Gillespie Decd in Capt. Wesley Ashins Company in the year 1842.

Catharine her ✗ mark Hendes

Benedict J ✗ Hendes

State of Texas }
Lamar County } Before me personaly appeared Benedict J Hendes and acknowledged that he signed the above Power of attorney by making his marke for the purposes therein expressed also appeared Catharine Hendes Wife of the Said Benedict J Hendes and having had the above Power of attorney explained to her and having her examined by seperate and apart from her husband acknowledged that he signed the Same by making her marke for the purposes therein expressed of her own free will and wished not to retract it

Given under my hand and seal of office Jany 19th 1861 J Miles Clk P L C Tex