The State of Texas } Know all men by these presents
County of Fort Bend } that I David Austin a resident
citizen of the County of Fort Bend in the State of Texas
have this day made constituted and appointed
and do by these presents make constitute and
appoint John Ashby of the City of Austin
Travis County my true and lawful agent
and attorney for me and in my name
to apply to the Treasurer Comptroller
or other proper authorities of the State of
Texas for all sums of money that are due
to me for services rendered in repelling the
~~invasions~~ two invasions into the Texan
Republic of Texas in the year 1842, the
first in the Spring by an armed body
of Mexicans under the command
of general Vasquez the second in the Fall
by an armed body of Mexicans under
the command of general Woll,
hereby vesting my said attorney with
full power and authority to apply to the
proper authorities for all such sums
of money and to give all necessary receipts
discharges and acquittances for the
same, and to do any act in the premises
that I might or could were I personally
present and acting hereby ratifying and
confirming all the acts of my said
attorney lawfully done in and about
the premises

Witness my hand and seal
for seal this the 14th March 1854

Witness
Mills M Batte

his
David X Austin (Seal)
mark