The State of Texas
Washington County

Know all men by these presents that I John W Middleton of the State and county above named have made constituted and appointed and by these presents do make constitute and appoint James W. McDade my true and lawful attorney in fact to apply to and receive from the Government of Texas, all monies due me from said Government for the services of John Corlette, who was my substitute in the Wall campaigne Hereby ratifying and confirming all and singular the acts and deeds of him my said attorney and making them as valid and final in law as tho I myself were personally present.

In testimony of which I have hereto signed my name and affixed my scroll for a seal This 27th day of ~~[illegible]~~ December 1853

John W. Middleton Seal