The State of Texas
County of Fayette

I Hamilton Ledbetter of the County and State aforesaid, do hereby certify, that in the fourteenth of the year 1842 Joseph H. Beck and myself resided at the town of Victoria, the then Republic of Texas, at which time the Country was invaded by the Mexicans under Vasques that during the time the Citizens of Texas were engaged in in repelling the Enemy from the Country, I saw A. S. McDonald then Chief Justice of Victoria County distributing provisions such as Bacon Sugar and Coffee, to the Volunteer troops then assembled near Victoria, and I enquired of said McDonald where he obtained said provisions, and he replied that he had obtained them from Joseph H. Beck,

To certify all of which, I have hereunto set my hand and affixt my Scroll for Seal the 30th day of May 1837

H. Ledbetter (Seal)

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