The State of Texas
County of Washington

Know all men by these pres
ents that I D. Mepper have nominated
and appointed W. H. Higgins my attorney
for me and in my name to receive
and receipt for the money on a 2nd
class claim audited in the name of
Ellis Benson for one hundred and
forty six 60/100 Dollars and transferred by
said Benson to me. as fully as if I
was personaley present and signing the
same myself

Witnesse my hand this 12th day
of November 1853

Witnessed by
A Simon

D Mepper

The State of Texas
County of Washington

Before me Sam Lusk clerk
of the county court in & for said county
personally appeared D Mepper who acknow
ledged to me that he signed and delivered
the above and annexed power of attorney
for the purposes & considerations therein contain
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Given under my hand and the seal
of the county court at Brenham this
17th day of November 1853
Sam Lusk Clk C C C
By Jeff Rapier Dep