We the undersigned witnesses being well acquainted with Mrs Dorothea Benton and her children state on oath that she is the widow of Nathaniel Benton sr decd and the mother of Alfred Benton decd and that she has only four children now living all of whom are of age viz, Nathaniel Benton of Guadaloupe Co, Texas, Abner Benton, Thomas H Benton, and Susan Boggess, wife of Robert Boggess all of the County of Dyer and State of Tennessee and that her other children all died without bodily heirs and that she and the above named children of hers are the heirs at law of Alfred Benton decd

Sworn to and subscribed before me the 2nd day of April AD 1860

Jeremiah Pope
H Clark
Jos Michelle

[redacted] attest
Jesse Clark J. P.
for Dyer County

State of Tennessee } I Will M Watkins Clerk of
Dyer County } the County Court of said County do hereby certify that Jesse Clark whose genuine signature appears to [illegible]