County of Cooke
State of Texas

Know all men by these presents that I James R Oneal of the County of Cooke and State of Texas do hereby nominate Constitute and appoint James W Shrockmorton, or any one whome he may appoint - my true and lawful attorney for me and in my name to demand of and receive of the proper authorities of Texas any sums of money due me for services rendered the Republic of Texas as a soldier - and to receipt for the same - and for all sums due me from the Republic for any service or supplies furnished - Hereby fully authorizing & and ratifying all the acts of any said attorney or those he may appoint under him, as fully and completely as if I were personally present acting and doing for my self - In testimony whereof I hereunto set my hand and affix my seal a s g a w l - this the 13th day of August A D 1856

J. R. Oneal Seal

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