The State of Texas
Washington County

~~Know all I mean~~ by these presents that John W. Middleton adms of the Estate of Kenan Brenan Decd 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 draw from the Government of Texas, all monies due said Kenan Brenan for Military Services ~~[illegible]~~ hereby ratifying and confirming all and singular the acts and deeds of him my said attorney and making them as valid and binding 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 December AD 1853

John W. Middleton