State of Texas,
County of Calhoun. }

Know all men by these presents that I, John Henry Brown, a citizen of Calhoun county and State of Texas have nominated, constituted and appointed and by these presents do nominate, constitute and appoint Damon M. Stapp of Victoria county same state my true and lawful agent and attorney in fact for me and in my name to take all necessary steps, actions and means in order to procure from the proper officers of the state government of Texas, the auditing of any and all claims whatever that I have against the late Republic of Texas for services in the military service of said Republic either under Capt John C. Hays in 1842, Capt Somervell in 1842-3 in the southwestern army of Texas, or for a horse lost by me in the last named campaign, hereby fully empowering and authorising said Stapp to act for me in every particular touching the matters above named as I myself might or could do, and I do hereby ratify and fully confirm all and singular the acts of my said attorney in the premises herein as fully as if they were done by myself.

In testimony of all which I hereunto subscribed my name with a scroll for a seal on this the 10th day of July A.D. 1853

John Henry Brown (Seal)
1st Sergt Company F commanded by Capt J. N. Mitchell in S W Army of 1842-3