Know all men by these presents that I Thomas S. Tatum have nominated and appointed and do hereby nominate constitute and appoint Henry S. Norton as my true & lawful Attorney for me and in my name to sign & execute in the manner required by law a release to all claims against the Government of the United States for any and all claims that I never have or may have had against the State or late Republic of Texas, if the same shall be necessary to make him to collect the 2d. class certificate for Six hundred & five dollars awarded to me by the Auditorial Board and assigned him on 19th January last past and to sign my name also in full discharge of said certificate when the same may be paid

Refugio. March 1st. 1852 Thomas S. Tatum

The State of Texas
County of Refugio } Personally appeared before me, John O'Kelly Clerk of the County Court, in and for the County aforesaid, Thomas S. Tatum, to me well known, and acknowledged that he signed and executed the foregoing instrument of writing for the consideration and purposes therein set forth,

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the County Court at my Office, in Refugio, this Thirtieth day of March A.D. 1852.

John O'Kelly Clk
Co Crt R. Co