The State of Texas }
Colorado County } Know all men that reposing trust and confidence in the honesty and integrity of Charles W Tait Clerk of said County I Isaac Tooke also of said County have and do hereby authorize & empower him to have audited in the proper manner against the state of Texas my Military claim for services rendered in 1842 under Genl. Burleson as a volunteer - and for me to demand and receive all the money that may be coming to me for the same from the proper officer or authority of the State and receipt therefor in my name - I do authorize him to sell or transfer the claim before or after it may be audited to such person or persons for such sums or sum as he may deem proper and for me to receive & receipt for the proceeds and his his acts in the premises shall be binding on me as if done in person

Given under my hand & seal this Decr 15 1853

Witness
Geo W Smith
Hu J McCarty

Isaac Tooke