To the Honorable, the Legislature of the State of Texas.

The Petition of Juan Delgado represents unto your Honorable Body that some time in the month of February A.D. 1866 a file or detachment of soldiers came to his Ranche in Goliad County by order of their Commander (as they said) and took from him ten head of Horses for the use of the army then at Goliad after taking said Horses without the consent of your petitioner they told your petitioner to go to Goliad and the Commander would give your petitioner a certificate for said Horses.

Your petitioner says he did go as instructed to get said certificate but the Commander had left and therefore he could not and did not obtain said certificate.

Your petitioner says said Horses were worth $30 each to him therefore as his property has been taken from him by the Government for the use of the Government he prays your Honorable Body will reimburse him for the loss of said property to which he feels and knows he is equitably and justly entitled.

Juan Delgado