The State of Texas } I Archibald W O Steele as
County of Shelby } administrator of John Neal
late of said County now deceased, do by these
presents make I I Strawn of said County my
true & lawful attorney in fact for me &
in my name as administrator as afore
said to ask demand receive and receipt
for the sum of Ninety Eight Dollars eighty
seven and a half cents, due said estate
of said Neal deceased for supplies fur
nished troops stationed in Shelby County
in 1844. hereby ratifying and confirming
all the said Strawn may legally do in the
premises the same as if done by myself
in proper person

Given under my hand and
seal this 26th day of January AD 1853

W O Steele

The State of Texas } Before me the undersigned
County of Shelby } authority personally appeared
Archibald W O Steele who is well known
to me and acknowledged that he signed
and sealed the above instrument in writing
for the purposes therein contained

To certify which I hereunto set my
hand and affix my seal of office
This 26th day of January AD 1853

W E Roberts Clerk
By his Deputy E B Dysart

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The State of Texas } I William E Roberts Clerk of
County of Shelby } the County Court in and for
said County do hereby certify that Archibald
W O Steele whose name appears to the above
power of attorney is administrator