State of Alabama } Be it remembered that
Madison County } on the 28 day of October 1854
Before the undersigned Commissioner of Deeds for
the State of Texas Personally appeared Dr
~~John C Spotswoods and Nashville Malone~~ being
first sworn to 55 years of age to me well known
and whom I certify to be persons of Respectability
and entitled to Credit and after being duly
sworn said Spotswoods says on oath that he
has resided on the adjoining farm to Mrs Phebe
Hamlet and known the family from his childhood
and has known Richard G Hamlet for that period
of time up to his death and that he was
acknowledged by Mrs Phebe Hamlet to be her
son and that he lived with her as such and
generally reputed to be her son. said Nashville
Malone states on oath that he has resided
a near neighbour to Mrs Hamlet for many
years was well acquainted with Mrs Phebe Hamlet
and Richard G Hamlet and that said Richard
G Hamlet was acknowledged to be the son of Mrs Phebe
Hamlet lived with her before and after the death
of his father Robert Hamlet and generally reputed
to be her son and treated as such by her

John C Spotswood Seal
Nashville Malone Seal

Signed and sworn to before me
the 28 day of October 1854 In evidence
Whereof I hereunto set my hand and affix
my seal of Office the day and year
above written

James W Hinds
Commissioner of deeds
for the State of Texas