The State of Texas }
County of Fort Bend }

Know all men by these presents that I. Ralph. W. Gilpin. do hereby constitute and appoint John Kelly of the City of Austin my true and lawful attorney for me and in my name to collect. receive and receipt to the Treasurer of the State of Texas for all money that may be due and owing me for services in the Somerville Expedition in the fall of the year 1842 - from the State of Texas - hereby ratifying & confirming all that my said attorney may do in the premises. In witness hereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this the 11th day of July A.D. 1844

Ralph W. Gilpin (Seal)

The State of Texas }
Fort Bend County } Before me Mills M Batte clerk of Fort Bend county Court appeared Ralph W Gilpin to me personally known, and acknowledged to me that he signed sealed and delivered the foregoing Power of Attorney bearing even date herewith, to be his binding act and deed for the purposes uses and considerations therein expressed

To which I certify under my hand and the seal of Fort Bend County Court at my office at Richmond the 11th day of July AD 1844

Mills M Batte clerk