The State of Texas } Know all men by these
County of Harris } presents that I, Watkins
L. Smith of the County of Colorado, have made
~~constituted & appointed~~ P. Dickson of the
County of Travis my true & lawful attorney
for me & in my name place & stead to apply
for, demand, receive & collect from the State
of Texas any monies due me for my
services in the army of the Republic of Texas
as a member of Capt J. B. P. Samuels company
in 1841, & to give good & sufficient receipts
& acquittances therefor, giving & granting unto
my said attorney full power & authority
to do all things necessary in the premises
as fully, as I could do if personally present
hereby ratifying all that my said attorney
shall lawfully do or cause to be done
by virtue hereof.

Witness my hand & seal
for seal, at Houston April 27, 1855

W. L. Smith (Seal)

Witnesses
John S. Thompson
Thos. M. Hogan

The State of Texas } Before me, A. Blank a Notary Public in
County of Harris } for the County of Harris, this day came
Watkins L. Smith, of the County of Colorado (introduced to me
as such by J. W. S. Thompson,) to me known, who acknowledged
the execution of the foregoing power of attorney for the purposes
therein stated.

Witness my hand & notarial seal of
office in Houston April 27th
A.D. 1855

A. B. Hart
Notary Public H.C.