To the Hon. James C. Wilson, Commissioner of Claims.

The petition of Stephen Whitney, of the City of New York, respectfully represents, That in the year 1835 the then Department of Texas was in a state of revolution towards the government of Mexico, sin great need of the means to carry on said revolution — that Col. Samuel M. Williams was commissioned by the provisional government of said Department of Texas to proceed to the United States to raise supplies & means of prosecuting said revolution — & that to aid this object Gen. John T. Mason, of New York, advanced to Col. Williams the sum of One Thousand Dollars as is shown by the ~~receipt~~ certificate of said Williams hereunto annexed & prayed to be taken as part of this petition (the original being on file in the Office of this Commission) — that some time in the year 1842 or 1843, said Mason, in a negociation which then passed between him & your petitioner, sold & delivered said ~~receipt~~ certificate to your petitioner,

Your petitioner further states that said sum of money has never been refunded to said Mason, or paid to your petitioner.

Your petitioner petitioner therefore prays Your Honor to consider his claim in the premises & to award to him what in equity may be found to be due in consideration of the money advanced as above stated, & that all necessary processes thereto may be ordered ——

Stephen Whitney
by his Atty, Robert Rev.