The State of Texas
County of Washington

Know all men by these presents that we James H Tom. Joseph C. Tom. Elenor Tom & Adaline Tom are heirs at law of William C Tom & Robinson. W. Tom late of said County deceased have nominated and appointed W. A. Higgins our attorney for us and in our names to receive any Money that may be due us by the State of Texas for Services rendered by the said William. C. & Robinson, W. in the Vasques & Wall Campaigns of 1842 and to receipt for the same as fully as if we were personally present & signing the same ourselves

attest
M C Higgins

Jas H. Tom
Jos C Tom
Elenor her + mark Tom

Adeline R Tom

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Before me [redacted]
Clerk of the County Court in & for said County personally appeared M C. Higgins who being duly sworn saith that he saw James. H. Tom, Joseph C. Tom, Elenor Tom and Adaline Tom [redacted] and deliver the