Galveston May 18th 1849

James B Shaw Esq

Dear Sir,

Enclosed you will find a Sue Bill in favour of Alfred Walke for $567.16/100 dated 25th July 1843 signed by N. Hurd Purser of Texas Navy and approved by E. W. Moore, Comdr, said sum being due said Walke for services as a Midshipman in the Texas Navy. Accompanying this due Bill is a power of Atty from Walke to me vesting me with extraordinary powers by which the late Rep. of Texas was left at my mercy if I had chosen to bring suit by attachment against her. I forebore to drag the Old Republic before the courts of the country upon any such process until a natural death placed her beyond the reach of a Constable and as you are one of her heirs I shall expect justice for this long delay of right. I wish you to audit this claim as the law provides, in the name of Walke, and send me such certificate or voucher as may be fixed for the claim.

Also wish you to have audited in the name of Franklin H Merriman and John B. Jones. the following enclosed evidence of debt against the Old Republic of Texas

Ten dollar note	dated	City of Houston	Nov 13th 1837		$10.00
do.	do	"	"	April 1st 1838	10.00
"	"	"	"	July 1st 1838	10.00
"	"	"	"	June 1st 1838	10.00
Five dollar note		"	"	Nov 13th 1837	5.00