The State of Texas
Washington County

Knowall men by these presents that I Thos. J. Middleton of the State and County aforesaid have made constituted and appointed and by these presents do make constitute and appoint James M. McLeodon my true and lawful attorney in fact to apply to and draw from the Government of Texas all moneys due me for services in the spring and fall campaigns of 1842 and all other dues amounts or claims accruing to me from said Government in any wise. hereby ratifying and confirming all and singular the acts and deeds of him my said attorney and making them as valid and binding in law as though I myself were personally present.

In testimony of which I have hereto signed my name and affixed my seal this seventeenth day of January A D 1854

T J Middleton (Seal)