State of Texas }
County of Wharton } Know all men by these presents that I John M Osburn Sen of the County and State aforesaid have made constituted and appointed and by these presents do make, constitute and appoint John Foster of the aforesaid County and State my true and lawful attorney, for me and in my name to demand and receive and receipt for the money due me by a claim which I hold against the late Republic of Texas for services on the Somerville Cap'gn dated the 15th July A.D. 1851 – No 1685 – 2nd Class, for the sum of Sixty Seven 50/100 dollars; and hereby ratifying whatever my attorney may do by virtue of these premises

In testimony whereof I hereto set my hand and seal (using scrawl for seal) this 2nd day of April one thousand Eight hundred & fifty three

Witness
W H Deadenick
J D Whitten

J. M. Osburn Sen