The State of Texas,
County of Galveston. } I Joseph Osterman of the County of Galveston and State aforesaid do hereby constitute and appoint Alfred F. James my agent and attorney in fact, to present, prosecute, and adjust, before the Auditor and Comptroller of the State of Texas, my claims of every description against the late Republic of Texas, and to receive and receipt for the proper Certificate or other evidence of said adjustment. I also appoint him my agent or attorney in fact to receive from the Treasurer of the State of Texas the amount due me by virtue of such Certificates or other evidences of such adjustment and in my name to receipt for the same.

Given under my hand this second day of December A.D. 1853.

J. Osterman

The State of Texas,
County of Galveston. } Before me E. P. Hunt a Notary Public in and for the County and State aforesaid this day personally came Joseph Osterman who acknowledged the above instrument of writing to be his act and deed for the consideration and purposes therein expressed.

In Faith Whereof I grant these presents under my signature and impress of my official seal at the City of Galveston this second day of December A.D. 1853.

E. P. Hunt
Notary Public.