The State of Texas }
County of ~~Nueces~~ San Patricio }

Know all men by these presents that I Patrick Hart have constituted and appointed John Carrigan my true and lawful attorney for me and in my name to apply to ~~apply~~ to the Auditors Office of the State of Texas for the piece of scrip issued to me as a Member of Capt Smith's Company for thirty two dollars and also to apply to the Treasury Department for the amount of pay due thereon to receive the same to sign receipts, vouchers and all necessary papers and to do all other things necessary and legal touching the premises as fully as if I were personally acting in person and I do moreover give unto my said Attorney the power to alter and amend this instrument so as to meet any peculiar form that may be required by the proper Officer or Officers authorized to pay said claim ~~to be required~~ so as to carry out the object herein expressed — hereby ratifying the acts of my said Atty — In Witness of which I have hereunto set my hand and affix my seal (Scrawl for Seal) at San Patricio this the 23d day of March AD 1852 —

Interlineations made before signing

Patrick Hart