presents that I, James Mc Murphey of the County St Clair and State of Illinois do hereby constitute and appoint Thomas H. Duval and George W. Parchal jountly & severally my true and lawful Attorneys and Agents in fact, for me and in my name to demand and receive from the proper authorities of the Government of Texas whatever sum or sums of money may be due and owing to me for services rendered in Captain Alexander Stephensons Company of Missouri Invincibles in 1842, and to give proper receipts and acquittances therefor. Hereby giving to my said Attorneys or either of them authority to do all acts and things, necessary to be done in the premises that I might or could if present. Hereby ratifying and confirming all that them may legally do by virtue thereof.

In testimony whereof I hereunto set my hand and seal this fifth day of August 1853.

James Mc Murphy

Witnessed in the presence of
John Finnegan
John H. Lee