The State of Texas }
County of Rusk } On this the 1st day of December A.D. One thousand Eight hundred & fifty one, personally appeared before me W. C. Kelly an acting Justice of the Peace within & for the county & state aforesaid, James McWilliams a resident citizen of the county of Rusk and state of Texas, who being duly sworn according to Law, declares that the said Alston Ferguson the applicant above is the Identical who served three months as a private in Captain Michael Kelly's company of Mounted Volunteers in the Ranging service of 1836 in the then Republic of Texas & that he is a disinterested witness —

James McWilliams

Sworn to & subscribed before me the day & date above written =

W C Kelly J P

The State of Texas }
County of Rusk } I James McWilliams clerk of the county court in & for the county and state above mentioned, do hereby certify that W. H. Estill & W. C. Kelly whose genuine signatures appear above — were at the time of signing the same, acting justices of the Peace in & for the county & state aforesaid, duly commissioned & sworn, that all their official acts as such are entitled to full faith & credit & that the aforesaid county court is a court of Record, having general jurisdiction —

Given under my hand and of office at Henderson Dec 1st A.D. 1851.

James McWilliams
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