State of New York
Erie County ss.

Manda H. Willis being duly sworn deposes and says that he is one of the heirs of Charles C. Willis deceased, that a certificate of public debt, was made by the commissioners appointed to ascertain the public debt of Texas, in favor of the said Charles C. Willis deceased, one of the Santa Fe prisoners that as one of such heirs deponent receives said certificate, that which he, deponent, has in possession thereof, said certificate was lost, that deponent has made diligent search and inquiry for said certificate but has never been able to find the same or get any intelligence thereof: and deponent further says that said certificate has never been sold or transferred by him or by any one of the true and lawful claimants thereof.

Subscribed and sworn
taken upon on this 6th
day of June 1854
at the city of Buffalo in
said County.

A. Sheldon
Justice