New orleans May 4. 1849

John M. Smith
to James B. Shaw Esqrs.
Auditor & Comptroller of Public Accounts.
Austin City, Texas. Gentlemen,

I enclose the Original of A. Brigham Auditor's Draft on the Treasurer of the late Republic of Texas for $1431. No. 1. belonging to me, and for which you will please send me in return a certificate in accordance with a Law of the State of Texas approved March 20. 1848. a copy of which Mr. Shaw was kind enough to send me.

Very respectfully
your obt. Servant
John M. Smith

Late Republic
To John A. Forest Dr.

To Audited Draft No 1 signed
by A. Brigham Auditor $1431.00

Allowed ab. Jan