Also for the same day personally appear-ed John Shank and Wm Williams Residents of Hawkins county and State of Tennessee persons whom I certify to be respectable and entitled to credit and who being by me duly sworn say they were present and saw John Begly sign the foregoing declaration for a pension from the State of Texas and from his apearan-ce and our long acquaintance with him we have every reason to believe that he is the identical person that he represents himself to be and performed Military service in the war of Texas Independence and that we have no interest in this claim

John Shank
Wm Williams

State of Tennessee
County of Hawkins } ss

The above declaration and affidavit was sworn to and subscribed before me the day and year first above written and I certify that the applicant and the witnesses are respectable and entitled to credit and reside in Hawkins county Tn and the contents were made known to the applicant, and the witnesses before swearing and that I have no interest in the prosecution of this claim

Witness my hand & Seal of Office at Office in Rogersville This 4th day of September AD 1871

Official

J. R. Armstrong, Clerk,