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Head Quarters 1st Reg Artillery
Matagorda Dec 28. 1835

To Lieut Jas Bowman

The Governor and Council having appointed you First Lieutenant in the 1st Regiment of Infantry in the regular Army of Texas, and having notified me of your acceptance, I herewith inclose to you, instructions for your Government.

It is ordered that you proceed without delay, and recruit as many privates as will fill up your respective Companies You will be privileged to pass to any section of Country you may deem the good of the service, will be most readily promoted, taking care to follow the printed "Instructions for Recruiting Service"

Four Sergeants and four Corporals are required for each Company and will be enlisted accordingly - also fifty-six rank & file.

Printed Articles are herewith enclosed, and others can be had at the office of the Republican in Brazoria, which you will fill up. taking especial care to correctly describe the person enlisting and whether as private or non-commissioned Officer