The state of Texas
Carroll County } We L. M. Allen, Clerk of the county court of Carroll County, B. F. Friend Sheriff of said county & W. M. Grimes Clerk of the district court of said county, do state on oath that we are well acquainted with W. M. Smith who made & subscribed the foregoing affidavit that he is a resident citizen of this county & has been for a great many years that he is a man of good standing & that his reputation for truth & veracity among his neighbors is excellent & that we believe his said affidavit is true —

B. F. Friend Sheriff
L. M. Allen Co. Clerk C.C.

Subscribed & sworn to before me this October 15th 1880 —
Witness my hand & the seal of the county court of Carroll county —