The State of Texas
County of ~~Sabinas~~ Bandera
April the 18th 1876

To the Hon ~~the~~
County Court Bandera
~~Senate and House~~
Co. Septem. A.D. 1877
~~of Representatives~~

The petition of J. H. Callahan a citizen of said State and County respectfully represents to your honorable ~~body~~ Court that he emigrated to the Republic of Texas in 1833 and in 1836 joined Gen Sam Houston's Army and that he was a private in Capt David Hannis Company. Col Morgans regiment. that previous to the battle of San Jacinto. Col Morgans Command was ordered by Gen Houston to Galveston remaining there a short time was joined by Capt Martin from the U S. in search of the Texas Army when Col Morgan and Capt Martin with their small forces embarked on a vessel to find the main Army as well as to learn what course the Mexican Army was taking. After a severe effort to reach the Texan forces. the Company of which your petitioner was one, heard the firing at the battle of San Jacinto and succeeded in reaching the battle field late in the evening after the enemy had fled.

Your Petitioner would further state that he remained with the Army doing his duty faithfully as a good soldier until the disbanding of the Army, which was informal, Petitioner got no discharge being like many others more