The State of Texas } Personally appeared before me
County of Brazoria } J. S. Rodgers, a Justice of the Peace in and for the County of Brazoria aforesaid, James Hays, who on oath states, That he was a Soldier in the Military Service of Texas at the Siege of Bexar, that he entered the Service at Gonzales in September 1835 marched to San Antonio, and participated in the Siege of that place, and did not leave, until the place was surrendered to the Mexicans Authorities of Texas, in Dec 1835

And that early in March 1836 he entered the Army of the Republic of Texas in the Company of Wm Patton of said Brazoria County, was attached to Genl Sherman's Regiment, under the Command of Genl Sam Houston, was at, and participated in the battle of Sanjacinto on the 21st April 1836 where the Mexican Army under the Command of Genl Santa Anna were met and defeated, And that he remained in the Service of the Republic of Texas, until the enemy were driven out of the Country, and that he has recd his donation land of 640 acres of land for his participation in the Battle of Sanjacinto.

James Hays

The State of Texas } The above and to here this
County of Brazoria } day sworn to, and subscribed before me at Columbia this 4th day of October 1879

J. S. Rogers
Ex. Off. J.P.B.C.