Hallettsville Texas May 20th 1874.

To the Hon. S. Darden
Comp. Pub Acts
Austin

Dear Sir - My correspondence with Texas State Officials in the past, has not been characterized by courtesy on their part, but not only from the assurance of the Hon Mr Delany, but from my knowledge of your own character, I feel confident of receiving all the attention that is justly my due -

I have been appointed Attorney for the Collection of the Pensions accruing to John Malone and G. W. Clark both Texas Veterans - Malone is dead - and I act by order of the widow -, Clark is insane and I am authorized to act for him by his sister and nephew - In both these cases the papers, vouchers &c have been made out and are represented to be filed in your office - Will you oblige me by information as to the correctness of