until he gave the citizens time to meet the enemy with some probability of success Now as the inhabitants of all that portion of country lying North of the San Antonio Road knew nothing of the fall of the Alamo & massacre of the brave defenders Judge Williamson said he must detail from our boys from the Brazos one or two responsible men to go and notify the citizens living on the Brazos and upper Little River settlements of the state of affairs; Judge Williamson detailed me as one of the men to perform that duty, which I faithfully performed at great labor & danger, having to travel day and night, and swim swollen streams and after performing said duty assigned, I started to return to the army and met Johnson & Mullican express on Bedai or San jacinto, who informed us that Houston had whipped the mexicans at San jacinto;
applicant further states that he frequently enlisted and served in that noble band that protected the Republic from the mexican and indian the Rangers from the year 1836 to 1847, and to the best of his humble ability has assisted to protect & build up the germ of Empire