to join the main forces of the Texas army - Affiant after said Company was scattered or disbanded, immediately reported himself as a soldier of the army to Gen Thomas J. Rusk then Secretary of War, at Harrisburg Texas, for duty - about the 12th or 15th of March 1836 - Affiant was then immediately assigned to duty by Gen. Rusk as a Courier and bearer of despatches to Eastern Texas, - which duty he immediately performed, - and affiant on reaching Nacogdoches, about the last of the month of March AD 1836 joined a detachment of the army, (to wit the Company of Capt James Smith, then about to march to join the main army of Texas) as a private of said Company - affiant served in said Company until affiant was discharged - said Company proceeded to the main army and belonged to the Regiment Commanded by Col. Sherman -

Sworn and subscribed at Nacogdoches Nacogdoches County, State of Texas, this the 15th day of October A.D. 1870