The State of Texas }
County of Longshot } To the Hon. J. Eldridge
Comptroller of Public Accounts of Texas at Austin.

The Undersigned Petitioner, under the provisions of the Act of August 20th 1879, would most respectfully State that he believes that he is entitled to a Certificate as a Volunteer under said Act. Therefore he makes this application in writing asking the Comptroller to grant him a Volunteer's Certificate. He should think that said petitioner is justly entitled to a certificate under said Act of August 20th 1879, and your petitioner will ever pray &c.

Sworn to this 20th day of Jan. 1880.

John Smith,

State of Texas }
County of Longshot } Before me a Justice of the Peace in and for said County & State personally appeared John Smith, well known to me, and being duly sworn deposes and says that the foregoing statement is true in every respect. He was a citizen of Texas on the 2nd day of Feb. 1836, and that he was a citizen of Texas since said date. And that he was present on Texas soil and was a citizen of Texas on the first fighting engagement that took place at Gonzales, under Capt. Moore, where he was taken, that the engagement took place on the 2nd day of Oct. 1835, and that he was Capt. Minute Company for some eight years, and was with his company in a fight with the Indians at Linville, and killed a number of Indians and other Mexicans and Indians, and that he was present at the battle of San Jacinto. And that he was present