To the Honorable James C. Welson
Comanissioner of claims for State of Texas

Your petitioner humbly prays that an augmentation of land be granted to him, and states the following facts on which he founds his claim. He arrived in Texas in the Month of January 1836. a single man; was married in the month of August 1837. to Winey Bird by Judge Dyer of Fort Bend County, and received from the commissioners of said county, a headright certificate for 1280 acres, now the augmentation claimed, is, the differance between what he was entitled to under the law under which he immigrated, and that which he has already received. He further declares that he has continued to reside in Texas, from his first arrival in it to this day, with the exception of his going to Mexico, in the Year 1847. to fight our old enemy.

He also declares that he hereby constitues and appoints Robert Caldwell his true and lawful attorney for him and in his name and stead to prosecute his claims against the Late Republic of Texas, hereby investing him with every power possessed by him relative to said claims, and on adjustment and final settlement of said claims by the proper Officer of the now State of Texas, to receipt for the same in as binding and legal a manner as he could do were personally present. Witness my hand and seal using a scrawl for seal the 10th day of October A.D. 1856.

William his + mark Asher. (Seal)

Witnesses
Pertillar Lee
~~George Washington, Mechanic~~

The State of Texas
County of Wharton } Before me personally appeared Hon. C. C. Dyer who being duly sworn according to law declares that he married the above named parties viz. William Asher and Winey Bird, in as he thinks the summer of 1837.

Sworn to and subscribed before me the 6th day of November A.D. 1856.

C. C. Dyer

Robert Caldwell Notary Public Wharton County.