The State of Texas }
Harris County }

To the Hon James E Wilson, commissioner of the Court of claims of the State of Texas.

Your petitioner Fredrick Scherman, who is a resident of the County of Harris, respectfully represents that he your petitioner is the identical man who served as a private in the Company under the command of Capt A. Van Buren which left the County of Harris on or about 1st day of March 1842, at the time of the invasion of the Western frontier of Texas, by the Mexicans under General Vasquez; that he went in said company as far west as Columbus, on the Colorado River, & remained in said service for the term of six months & until said company was disbanded, That he never received from any officer of the Republic of Texas, any arms, ammunition or accoutrements, but furnished himself and horse for this campaign at his own expense, That he has never received any pay or remuneration for said service & that he now makes this declaration for the purpose of receiving any monies due him

F. Scherman

Sworn to & subscribed before me Nov 13th 1838 }

Witness my hand & seal of Harris County Court at office in Houston

J. G. Dart clerk