To the Hon: the Senate & House of Representatives of the State of Texas

The undersigned, Your humble petioner, most respectfully asks from the Legislature of his State, the land granted by the sovereign Power of Texas, to all persons who may have participated in certain battles fought by her citizens. He came to Texas in the Year 1821. with the second company of Americans that came to settle in the country, he shared in all the battles in which the State has been engaged from that period to the time of our annexation, dureing this time he with his companeon suffered all the privations incident to the settlement of a new desert county, surrounded both by Indian, and treacherous Mexican enemies by the former he was once robed and left quite destitute, the latter stole all my money, and I was again left destitute, but the last great robery by the Mexicans, was in the Year 1836. when they took from me all the negroes I had, besides all my other property mine, has therefore been a peculiarly hard fate in Texas. The land I got as a colonist, was obliged to be sold, to get means for the support of my family. So that after a long life of so much, and unmitagated suffering, the evening of my days are not as comfortable as they ought to be. I feel confident that I have rendered my country service, therefore ought now to be compensated for that service, she haveing the ability to do so. My services are well known to the early settlers, but they have become few.

I was slightly wounded at the battle of Velasco. I have not as yet received up to this time any other compensation than my headright.

Wm Jamison