State of Texas
Orange County } ss On this 25th day of April 1859 personally appeared before me Wm H. Turner the undersigned a Justice of the peace in and for the County & State aforesaid Payton Blan & Absalom Pett Boath of the County of Orange & State of Texas, ages Respectfully 44 & 46 " we the above named and discribed, do Certify that James H. Pattillo did sign and acknowledge to the above Declaration this day in our presents and further state that the said James H. Pattillo has been well known to us for many years, and he is a reputed Soldier of the Service of the Indian wars in Texas as he has setforth in his Declaration, and from our acquaintance with him and from his statements and his general undisputed reputation, and from our own personal knowledge of his said Military Service, we are fully satisfied of the truth of his above Declaration and of his Identity as he discribes himself and of the same therein name and we are disinterested, Witness our hands and seals the day and year above written,

Absalom Pett (L.S.)
Payton Blan (L.S.)

State of Texas
County of Orange } ss Be it known that on this 25 day of april 1859 Before me W. H. Turner a Justice of the peace within and for the County & state duly authorised by Law to administer oaths for general purposes, came James H. Pattillo to me well known and he did subscribe and swear to the foregoing Declaration of this date, as ascribed to him to be of the age that he call himself " At the same time also came Payton Blan & Absalom Pett Boath well known to me as persons of good reputation for Truth and Veracity and they did sign and swear to the foregoing Joint affidavit of this date ascribed to them and believe