The State of Texas
County of Smith } I James McSmith Clerk of the County Court hereby certify that the written answers to the attached Interrogatories Propounded to Ezekiel Ballard were carefully read over to him, and they are in his own words — And he signing the same in my Presence by making his mark, and was duly sworn to the same by me — I further certify that I am acquainted with Ezekiel Ballard the Witness, and that his character for Credibility & Truth is Believed by those acquainted with him, and is also verified before me by the oath of W P Stapp Esqr on this day —

To certify which I hereunto set my Official signature and seal of the County Court of Smith County Texas at Office in the Town of Tyler this 24th day of September AD 1857

James McSmith Clk
C C & C

I William P Stapp do solemnly swear that I am acquainted with Ezekiel Ballard the Witness in the above Interrogatories & Answers and I believe him to be a credible & correct man for Truth & veracity

Wm P Stapp

Sworn to & subscribed to before me this 24th day of September AD 1857

James McSmith Clk C C & C