Colo: Edward Clark.
Commissioner of Claims } Honored Sir. Austin

Having been shown a letter dated 13th May 1858. from John Brenmond Esq. to whom I had, together with several of my neighbors, sent our power of attorney, authorising him to draw the money for our respective claims against the late Late Republic of Texas, which we have assurance was deposited in your office. Mr. Brenmond in that letter writes "that I called on Commissioner Clark, in reffernce to your claims, and he told me, that no testimony has been filed in his office by any person, in support of your claims, consequently none have been audited,,

Now Sir, the object of this letter is, most respectfully to ask ~~you~~ from what course of action on the part of the owners of these claims, is required by you, in order to their being audited, In supplying this sought information you will ~~confer~~ do a favor to me, and other citizens of Wharton county.

I have the honor to be Yours most respectfully & Your friend
Wharton Texas. May 21st 1858.

Wm. Thatcher