The Republic of Texas
To John Thomson
To services rendered to Texas in the Navy under Com Moore as Clerk and commander of the Potomac also as Clerk on board of the Galveston under the command of Capt Givens in 1840 to 1842 $1000.00

Montville Ct 19th May 1857

Wm Smith Esq
Dear

Above you will please find my age against the Navy of the Republic of Tex. it is necessary that my age should be presented before the 1st Sept. There is an age against me in the Books of the Navy. rather the bale is due me. Cannot possibly say. Give attention to the matter will confer a favor. If proof should be required, you are aware of my being in the service. please let me hear from you

Yours Truly
John Thomson