Hospital at Victoria Sep 18th. 1836

Brig. Gen. Rusk Commandant of the Texian Army, — Dear Sir, night before last a young man ~~[illegible]~~ by the name of Gillmore died. His letters and other papers show that he was of very respectable connections and entitled to the confidence and esteem of all his acquaintances. He left a pistol of considerable value clothing ect. which was claimed by one of company ~~[illegible]~~ who only saw him after he had fallen into dying circumstance ~~[illegible]~~ and waited of on him for only two days partly as a bequest and partly as a remuneration for services rendered. From the manner in which the claim was bro^t. and an evident design to conceal some articles ~~[illegible]~~ Mr. Nethery the steward ever on the alert suspected fraud and the articles were accordingly deposited with Capt. Allen until your decision should be known. The deceased had also a trunk which was left at Velasco.