AUDITOR'S OFFICE, Houston 17 May 1842

This day come William R Hays and says, the annexed instrument is just, true and original, that he owes the government nothing on his own account or on account of any other person, nor has he retained, ~~sold or purloined~~ any arms, munitions of war or any other property whatever, belonging to the Republic of Texas, or caused the same to have been done.

Sworn to before _____ *Auditor.*

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