To [illegible] November 24th 1837

The Honble The Senate & House of Representatives of the Republic of Texas —— (TX)

Your petitioner would most respectfully represent to your Honourable body — That he entered as clerk in the Executive office On the 1st day of June 1836 — and continued to act as such to the 13th day of August ensuing — That during that time I [illegible] much labour that properly belonged to the secretaries of other heads of Departments than the Executive — many of the duties ~~having~~ devolved upon the executive that properly belonged to the other heads of Departments — and that during a portion of the time I was the Only clerk in the service of the administration — as to the manner in which I discharged the duties as clerk under the Executive I refer you to the accompanying certificate of ex — President Burnett and the certificates of the then acting secretary of War and secretary of State — The great press of business upon the Executive nearly all the time that I acted as clerk Rendered it necessary [illegible] and that

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