

Woodboro Grayson County Texas
August 8th 1853

Hon. James H. Raymond -
Treasurer State of Texas

Dr Sir

I have been waiting for several months for an opportunity to apply in person at your Office for payment of Antient Claims in favor of Heirs of Miram A. Allen dec^d or to send the papers in relation to the same by some person going to your City - Up to the present time I have not had an opportunity to do either.

As I have heretofore observed I am not aware that there is any person residing in your City with whom I am personally acquainted. I would therefore esteem it an especial favor of you to attend to the drawing and forwarding the money to me provided the enclosed documents will warrant you in doing so - Should there be any informality in them, be so kind as to point it out and advise me the proper course to be pursued - If they will enable you to draw the money please to invest it in Exchange on New Orleans, Louisville or any Eastern City - or in bills of any specie paying Bank retaining out of the same any expense you may be at and whatever will compensate you for your services -

One of the Witnesses (Maj. Bousland) to the enclosed Receipt I presume is personally known to you - The blanks in said Receipt you will fill up as may be necessary - The proof of Heirship or a copy of the same I would like you to return to me - or file it in the Genl Land Office as I shall have occasion to use it there - Your attention will confer an especial favor and be fully reciprocated should occasion offer -
Yours Very Obedt Servant
Simon Allen