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APPENDIX IV.

CERTIFICATES OF ELECTION

The Certificates of Election have been included as an Appendix to the Journal of the Secession Convention on account of the unusual manner in which the election for delegates was called and held. An effort was made to use the legal machinery for holding elections, but as this could not be depended on with certainty throughout the State alternatives were provided. The certificates show where, when and how the elections were held, and to what extent the legal machinery responded in holding them. Certificates for all delegates have not been found. The original manuscript certificates are filed among the Miscellaneous Papers of the Secession Convention.

FIRST DISTRICT.—Counties: Jefferson, Chambers, Liberty*[1] and Orange (2).

I Benjamin Adair chief justice of the County of Liberty State of Texas duly qualified according to law do hereby Certify that at an election held in the district composed of the Counties of Chambers, Liberty, Jefferson and Orange in said State of Texas on the 8th day of January (Inst) A. D., 1861, Thomas Jefferson Chambers and William Chambers were elected delegates to represent said district in a State Convention to be held at the City of Austin in said State of Texas on the 28th day of January (Inst) A. D. 1861, agreeably to the returns of said election made to me by the managers thereof in said County of Liberty and the Chief Justice of the County of Chambers. No returns were made from Jefferson and Orange Counties.

Given under my hand and Seal of the County Court at Liberty the 21st day of January A. D. 1861.

[Seal] Benjamin Adair
Chief Justice[2]

SECOND DISTRICT.—Counties: Liberty* and Polk (2).

I Benjamin Adair chief justice of the County of Liberty State of

[1]Where districts were composed of more than one county, the returning officer's county is designated by an asterisk(*). The number of delegates to which each district is entitled is indicated by the figure in parenthesis after the names of the counties composing the district.

[2]A. D. S.

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Texas duly qualified according to law do hereby certify that at an election held in the district composed of the Counties of Liberty and Polk on the 8th day of January A. D. 1861, James M Maxey and Charles L Cleveland were elected delegates to represent said Counties of Liberty and Polk in a State Convention to be held at the City of Austin in said State of Texas on the 28th day of January (Inst) A. D. 1861, agreeably to the returns of said election made to me by the managers thereof in said County of Liberty and the Chief Justice of said County of Polk

Given under my hand and Seal of the County Court at Liberty the 21st day of January A D 1861.

[Seal] Benjamin Adair,
Chief Justice

I further certify that said Cleveland received four hundred and nine votes and said Maxey received four Hundred and five votes and that there were no votes polled for any other candidates in said Representative district

Given under my hand and Seal of the County Court at Liberty the 21st day of January A D 1861.

[Seal] Benjamin Adair
Chief Justice[3]

THIRD DISTRICT.—Counties: Tyler* and Hardin (2).

The State of Texas }
County of Tyler }

This is to Certify that at an Election held in the County of Tyler on the Twenty second day of December A D 1860 Phillip A Work was duly Elected a delegate to the State Convention to be held in the City of Austin or Galveston, Commencing on the 29th day of January 1861 he having received for said office

Given under my hand and Seal of office at Woodville this 25 day of December A D 1860

[Seal] Robert C. Fulgham
Chef Justice T. C. T.[4]

A certificate, same as above, was on same date issued to N. B. Charlton.

State of Texas }
County of Hardin }

I John W Crozier Chief Justice of Hardin County do hereby Certify that Wm A Allen was at an Election in the said

[3] *A. D. S.

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County by order of the County Commissioners held on the 11th day of January A D 1861 Elected a Delegate to represent the will of the people of this County at the Convention to be held at Austin on the 28th day of Jan'y A D 1861

Given under my hand and seal of Office this the 15th day of January A D 1861

[Seal]

John W Crozier
Chief Justice H. C.[4]

The State of Texas }
County of Tyler }

I hereby Certify that the following is the Result of an Election for Member to the State Convention of the State of Texas held by the Citizens of Tyler County to fill the vacancy of Phillip A Work resigned. Said Election held on the 7th day of March 1861 when Samuel A Willson received the following Number it being the highest Number received which was one hundred and thirty one

Given under my hand and official Seal of office at Woodville March 7 1861

[Seal]

R. C. Fulgham
Chief Justice T. C. T[5]

FOURTH DISTRICT.—Counties: Jasper* and Newton (2).

The State of Texas }
County of Jasper }

I G. J. Goode Chief Justice of Jasper County do hereby Certify that at an Election held in Jasper County on the 23rd day of February 1861 for the Electing of a delegate to the State Convention to convene in the City of Austin on the 2nd day of March 1861, You J L Holland received two hundred eighty (280) votes which was the whole number of votes cast for delegate in the County. I therefore declare you elected delegate to represent said County

Given under my hand and official Seal this the 26th day of Feb. 1861

[Seal]

G J Goode
Chief Justice J. C.[6]

[4]A. D. S.
[5]D. S.
[6]A. D. S.

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FIFTH DISTRICT.—Counties: San Augustine* and Sabine (2).

The State of Texas)
County of San Augustine)

I, Ransom Sowell Chief Justice of said County hereby Certify that at an election held on the 8th day of January A. D. 1861 for members of a convention to assemble at Austin on Monday the 28th day of January A. D. 1961, Calloway Deen received 104 votes for county represented and James Boroughs received 104 votes to represent the Counties of Sabine and San Augustine.

To certify which I hereto set my hand on this 12th day of January A. D. 1861

R Sowell C J[7]

SIXTH DISTRICT.—County: Shelby (2).

The State of Texas)
Shelby County)

I E B Dysart Chief Justice in and for said State and County, do hereby Certify that in obedience to a request of the citizens of Shelby County in Mass meeting assembled on the 22nd December A D 1860 I unofficially ordered an election to be held in said County on the 8th day of January A D 1861 as recommended by many citizens of the State at the City of Austin, for two delegates to a State Convention to be holden at Austin the 4th Monday instant and that at said election then on the 8th January in said County held Lewis F Casey was elected one of said delegates

Given under my hand and seal of office the 15th day of January A D 1861

[Seal]

E. B. Dysart
Chief Justice Shelby County[7]

A certificate, same as above, was on same date issued to Archibold W. O. Hicks.

SEVENTH DISTRICT.—County: Nacogdoches (2).

This is to certify that at an election held in Nacogdoches County State of Texas on the 19th day of Jany 1861 for Delegates to represent said County and the Counties of Nacogdoches and Angelina in the Convention to be held at the City of Austin on the 28th instant

[7]D. S.

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Hon Wm Clark Jr. was by a majority of votes elected one of said Delegates.

Charles S. Taylor

Nacogdoches Jany 22nd 1861.[8]

P. S. I send Mr. Guinn's Certificate on the supposition that he may possibly go to Austin without coming through Nacogdoches.[9]

A certificate, same as above, was on same date issued to J. N. Fall.

EIGHTH DISTRICT.—Counties: Nacogdoches* and Angelina (2).

This is to certify that at an election held in Nacogdoches County State of Texas on the 19th day of January 1861 for Delegates to represent said County and the Counties of Nacogdoches and Angelina in the Convention to be held at the City of Austin on the 28th instant Hon. H. H. Edwards was by a majority of votes Elected one of said Delegates.

Charles S. Taylor

Nacogdoches Jany 22nd 1861.[10]

NINTH DISTRICT.—County: Houston (2).

The State of Texas }
County of Houston }

I, J. T. Heflin Chief Justice in and for said County hereby certify that at an election held in said County on the 8th day of January 1861, for delegates to the State Convention of the State of Texas to convene on the 28th Inst, In obedience to the order of the Chief Justice of said County, that John R. Hayes was duly elected a delegate to said Convention he having received 249 votes.

Given under my hand and seal of office at Crockett Texas this the 19 day of January 1861.

[Seal]

J. T. Heflin
Chief Justice Houston Co.[11]

A certificate, similar to the above, was issued to John I. Burton on same date, and shows that he received 244 votes.

[8]A. D. S. The Journal for January 30, 1860, shows that Clark and Fall were from District No. 7.

[9]This postscript is added in pencil. If Mr. Guinn was elected a delegate, he was elected from District No. 8. He did not attend the Convention.

[10]A. D. S.

[11]D. S.

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TENTH DISTRICT.—County: Anderson (2).

The State of Texas }
County of Anderson }

I William Alexander Chief Justice of said County of Anderson do hereby certify that at an election held in said County on the 8th day of Jany A. D. 1861 for the election of two delegates, to represent said County of Anderson, and two floating delegates to represent the 12th Senatorial District[12] composed of the Counties of Anderson Houston and Trinity, to a State convention to be held at Austin on the 28th day of January A. D. 1861, The Hon A. T. Rainey was duly elected as one of the delegates to represent said County of Anderson, he having received 460 votes.

To certify which I do hereunto set my hand and seal of the County Court this 15th day of Jany A. D. 1861

[Seal] Wm. Alexander Chief Justice A. Co[13]

A certificate, same as the above, was issued to John G. Stewart on same date, and shows that he received 413 votes.

ELEVENTH DISTRICT.—Counties: Trinity, Houston* and Anderson (2).

The State of Texas }
County of Houston }

I J T Heflin Chief Justice in and for said County hereby certify that at an election held on the 8th day of January Inst. in the Counties of Houston and Anderson (There being no returns from Trinity) for floating delegates to the State Convention to convene on the 28th Inst. that John Box was duly elected he having received 336 votes

Given under my hand and seal of office at Crockett this 19th Jany 1861

[Seal] J. T. Heflin
Chief Justice Houston County[14]

The certificate of John H. Reagan has not been found, but that he represented the 11th District appears from the Journal of January 30th.

The State of Texas }
Houston County }

I J. T. Heflin Chief Justice of said County do hereby Certify that at an Election held on the 23 inst. (Feby. 1861)

[12]Eleventh representative district.
[13]A. D. S.
[14]D. S.

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in said County for a floater to the State Convention of the people of Texas to reassemble at Austin on the 2nd day of March next to fill the vacancy of the Hon. J. H. Reagan occasioned by his resignation. That T. J. Ward did receive in this County 413 votes and there being no returns from Anderson and Trinity Counties I therefore declare said T. J. Ward duly elected to fill said vacancy above named.

Given under my Hand and seal of office at Crockett this 28th day of February A. D. 1861

[Seal] J. T. Heflin
Chief Justice of Houston County[14]

The State of Texas }
County of Anderson }

I, William Alexander, Chief Justice of said County of Anderson do hereby certify that at an Election held in the said County on the 23rd day of Feby A. D. 1861 for the election of a floating Delegate to represent the counties of Anderson, Houston and Trinity Counties in the State convention occasioned by the resignation of the Hon John H. Reagan, T. J. Word received in said County 811 votes being the whole number of votes polled.

To certify which I do hereunto set my hand and seal of the County Court this 4th day of March A. D. 1861

[Seal] Wm. Alexander Chief Justice A. Co[14]

To the Hon. O. M. Roberts

President of the State Convention.

Return of an election held in the County of Anderson on the 23d day of Feby A. D. 1861 for the election of a floating delegate to the State Convention, to represent the Counties of Anderson, Houston and Trinity Counties, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of the Hon John H Reagan,

For T. J. Word 811 votes

I William Alexander Chief Justice of the County aforesaid do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct Return of said election, as appears by the returns of the same made to me by the Managers of said Election in and for said County.

Given under my hand and the seal of the County Court at Palestine this the 25th day of Feby A. D. 1861

William Alxander[15]
Chief Justice Anderson County

[14] [15] A. D. S.

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TWELFTH DISTRICT.—County: Cherokee (4).

The State of Texas }
County of Cherokee }

I, A. J. Coupland Chief Justice in and for the County of Cherokee, do hereby certify that an election held at the diferent voting precincts in said County on the 8th day of January A D 1861, for the purpose of electing four delegates to a State Convention to meet in the City of Austin on the 4 Monday in Jany 1861 That James M Anderson was duly elected one of 4 Delegates to represent said County of Cherokee in said State Convention, He being one of the four highest on the tickett run by the people, and having received 654 votes

Given under my hand and seal of the County Court at Rusk this 12 day of January A D 1861

[Seal] A. J. Coupland Chf. J. Ch. Co[16]

Certificates, same as the above, were issued on same date to Joseph L. Hogg who received 670 votes, to Thomas J. Jennings who received 428 votes, and to P. G. Rhome who received 539 votes.

THIRTEENTH DISTRICT.—County: Rusk (4).

The State of Texas }
County of Rusk }

I do hereby certify that at an Election held at the different precincts of said county on the 8th day of January 1861, in accordance with an order issued by me, to elect four delegates to a convention of the people of the State of Texas to meet in the City of Austin on the 28th day of January 1861, James R. Armstrong having received a majority of all the votes polled at said election is declared elected a member of said convention

Given under my hand and private seal January 12th A D 1861

Bennett Smith
Ex officio Chief Justice[16]

Certificates, same as above, were issued on same date to A. P. Galloway, M. D. Graham and W. C. Kelly.

FOURTEENTH DISTRICT.—County: Panola (2).

The State of Texas }
Panola County }

I Drury Field Chief Justice of Panola County Texas Do Certify that at an Election held in said County on the 8th

[16]A. D. S.

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day of Jany inst. for delegates to a State Convention to meet on the 28th Inst. Hon W. R. Poag and Hon T. G. Davenport were duly Elected Delegates to said Convention the said Poag receiving 298 votes and the said Davenport 281 votes.

Given under my hand and the Seal of the County Court Jany 17th 1861

[Seal] Drury Field
Chief Justice P C[17]

The State of Texas }
Panola County }

I James M Ramsey Clerk of the County Court of said County do hereby Certify that an Election for Delegates to a State Convention to assemble in Austin on the fourth Monday of Jany inst. was held in said County of Panola on Tuesday the 8th of January 1861. That the returns of said Election have been duly returned, opened and counted, and that said Election resulted as follows, To wit,

Drury Field Received 300 votes
W R Poag " 298 "
T G Davenport " 281 "

which is a large majority of all the votes polled in said Election.

To Certify which I have hereunto set my hand and the Seal of the County Court of said County Jany 17 1861

[Seal] James M Ramsey
Clk P C[17]

FIFTEENTH DISTRICT.—County: Harrison (2).

The State of Texas }
Harrison County }

Whereas at a public mass meeting of the citizens of Harrison County held at Marshall on the 24th day of November A. D. 1860, the undersigned was appointed to direct that an election should be held at the several precincts in said County for the election of four delegates to represent said County in a general State Convention of the States of Texas, And whereas said direction was given and due publication made of said election, And whereas said election was held in said County for said purpose on the 4th Monday in December A. D. 1860, and the returns thereof duly made to me, from which I certify that William T. Scott received a majority of five hundred votes of all the votes cast, Gilchrist McKay received a majority of four hundred and ninety three votes of all the votes cast,

[17]D. S.

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Alexander Pope received a majority of four hundred and ninety three votes of all the votes cast, and William B. Ochiltree received a majority of five hundred and three votes of all the votes cast, And I further certify that said Scott, McKay, Pope and Ochiltree obtained the highest vote, and are duly elected delegates to said Convention. Given under my hand this 15th day of January A. D. 1861.

George Lane[18]

The State of Texas }
Harrison County }

I George Lane Chief Justice of Harrison County do certify from the returns made to me of an election held at the several precincts of said County on the 23d day of February A. D. 1861 that M. J. Hall was elected a delegate to the Convention of the State of Texas in the place of W. B. Ochiltree resigned and that said Hall received 799 votes

Given under my hand and the Seal of the County Court of said County this 25th day of February A. D. 1861

[Seal] George Lane
Chief Justice[18]

A certificate, same as above, was issued on same date to E. H. Baxter, elected delegate in place of A. Pope resigned, and shows that he received 705 votes.

SIXTEENTH DISTRICT.—Counties: Harrison* and Panola (2).

The delegates from the 16th District are not named separately; they are included among those sent up by the 14th and 15th Districts.

SEVENTEENTH DISTRICT.—County: Smith (4).

The State of Texas }
County of Smith }

I, Samuel D Gibbs Chief Justice of the County Court in and for said County and State aforesaid do certify that at an Election holden at the different precincts in the County aforesaid on the Eight day of January A D 1861 for the purpose of Electing four delegates in and for said County of Smith to meet at the City of Austin on the 28th day of Jany A D 1861 George W Ochilton received the fourth highest number of votes polled (498 votes)

Given under my hand and Seal of office at Tyler January the 12th A D 1861

[Seal] Samuel D. Gibbs
Chief Justice Smith Co[18]

[18]A. D. S.

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Certificates, same as above, were issued on same date to Oliver Lofton who received 838 votes, to O. M. Roberts who received 877 votes and to John C. Robertson who received 813 votes.

The State of Texas }
County of Smith }

I, Samuel D Gibbs Chief Justice of the County Court of Smith County do Certify that at an Election holden on the 23rd day of February A D 1861 at the different precincts in said County of Smith Tignal W Jones was duly Elected as a delegate to the Convention which is to reassemble at the City of Austin on the second day of March 1861 which Election was caused by the resignation of O Lofton one of the former members of said Convention he the said Tignal W Jones received the highest number of votes Seven hundred and sixty five (765) votes

Given under my hand and Seal of the County Court at office in Tyler February the 25th A D 1861

[Seal]

Samuel D Gibbs
Chief Justice Smith Co[19]

EIGHTEENTH DISTRICT.—County: Cass (2).

We the undersigned Committee appointed by the citizens of Cass County in Public Meeting assembled to count the votes for Delegates to a State Convention to be held at Austin on the fourth Monday in January do certify that after receiving the returns of said Election find that Dr. A. G. Clopton received the highest number of votes cast for Local Delegate of Cass County, Texas, and is entitled to a seat in said Convention as said Delegate.

Given under our Hands and Seals this Jany 10th, 1861, Linden Cass Co. Texas.

M W Covey [L S]
Saml Oliver [L S]
J M C Connally [L S]
Mins Sledge [L S]
Asa Johnson [L S][20]

A certificate, same as above, was issued on same date to James H. Rogers, who received a majority of votes.

NINETEENTH DISTRICT.—County: Titus (2).

The State of Texas }
County of Titus }

I M M Bowman Chief Justice in and for the afore-

[19]A. D. S.
[20]D. S.

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said County do hereby Certify that at an Election held on the 26th of December A D 1860 in the County of Titus and State of Texas, for the purpose of Electing Delegates to a State Convention to be held at the City of Austin on the 28th day of January A D 1861 Wm C Batte Received Three hundred and thirty Two votes and was thereby duly Elected as one of the Delegates for the County of Titus of State aforesaid

In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal of the County Court at office in Mount Pleasant Texas January the 8th A D 1861

[Seal] M M Bowman
Chief Justice[20]

Certificates substantially the same as above but somewhat shorter were on same date issued to John G. Chambers who received 385 votes and to J. F. Johnson who received 487 votes.

TWENTIETH DISTRICT.—Counties: Cass*, Titus and Bowie (4).

We the undersigned Committee appointed by the citizens of Cass County in Public Meeting assembled to count the votes for Delegates to a State Convention to be held in Austin on the fourth Monday in January next do certify that the Honble H. R. Runnels, after receiving the Returns of said Election and counting the votes received a majority of votes cast in Cass, Bowie and Titus Counties, for floater, and is entitled to a seat in said Convention as Delegate accordingly

Given under our Hands and Seals this January 10th, 1861, Linden Cass Co. Texas.

Mins Sledge [L S]
Saml Oliver [L S]
J. M. C. Connally [L S]
Asa Johnson [L S]
M. W. Covey [L S][21]

Certificates, same as above, were issued on same date to William S. Todd, Robert Ward and William Warren.

TWENTY-FIRST DISTRICT.—County: Upshur (4).

The State of Texas }
County of Upshur }

I J. M. Simpson Chief Justice of said County do hereby certify that S. W. Beasley at an election held in Upshur County on the 31st day of December 1860, for the purpose of Elect-

[20] [21] D. S.

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ing 4 Dellegates from said County to a State Convention to be holden in Austin City on the 28th day of January 1861 for the purpose of Taking into consideration the chrices that is upon us by the Election of A. Lincoln to the Presidency of the United States was duly Elected one of said four Dellegates for the purpose aforesaid

In Testimony whereof I have this the 14th day of January 1861, at Gilmer set my hand and seal of the County Court of said County

[Seal] J. M. Simpson
Chief Justice U. C.[22]

Certificates, same as above, were on same date issued to S. B. Black, M. F. Lock and James F. Newsom.

TWENTY-SECOND DISTRICT.—County: Red River (2).

The State of Texas }
County of Red River }

I Levi G Childers Chief Justice of the State and County aforesaid do certify that at an Election held in said County on Saturday the 23 day of February A D 1861 J. A. Chambers was duly Elected A member of the Convention to represent this County in Convention he having received 372 votes Said Convention to meet in Austin on the 2nd day of March A D 1861

Witness my official Signature with the impress of the Seal of said County Court this the 25th day of Feb A D 1861

[Seal] Levi G Childers
Chief Justice[22]

A certificate, same as above, was on same date issued to George H. Bagby who received 373 votes.

TWENTY-THIRD DISTRICT.—County: Lamar (2).

The State of Texas }
County of Lamar }

Be it remembered that at an Election held at the different Precincts in the County of Lamar State of Texas on Saturday the 19th Inst. for the purpose of Electing Three Delegates to meet in Convention to assemble in the City of Austin in said State of Texas on the 28th Jany, Inst. And after compairing the returns of the several Precincts this day Wm. H. Johnson is declared duly Elected one of said Delegates to said Convention having received a majority of the votes cast.

[22]A. D. S.

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To Certify which I hereto set my name in the City of Paris Jan 21st 1621 E Collins[23]

Certificates, same as above, were issued on same date to Lem.] Williams and George H. Wright.

TWENTY-FOURTH DISTRICT.—County: Hopkins (2).

The State of Texas }
County of Hopkins }

I F M Rogers Chief Justice of the County Hopkins do hereby Certify that W. M. Payne is duly elected one the Delegates to the State Convention to be held in the City of Aust on Monday the 28th day of January 1861, he having received a m jority of the votes polled in said County. Under an order for sa Election issued by me to Elect Delegates for said Convention

In Testimony of all of which I hereunto Sign my name as tes mony of the Election of said Delegate Jany 12 1860

F M Rogers
Chief Justice and Private Citizen[24]

Also Wm T Blythe and R L Askew

The State of Texas }
County of Hopkins }

I, F. M. Rogers Chief Justice of said County do hereby Certify that at an Election, ordered by me as a Private Citizen to be held on Saturday the Twenty Ninth day of December 1860 for the purpose of Electing three Delegates to the State Convention to meet at Austin on the 4th Monday in January 1861. That Richard L. Askew was duly Elected one of the Delegates to said Convention, he having received a majority of all the votes poled as Compared by me

To Certify which I hereto sign my name and private seal as a Private Citizen this 15 January 1861

[L S] F. M. Rogers[24] [L S]

A certificate, same as above, was on same date issued to W. T. Blythe.

TWENTY-FIFTH DISTRICT.—Counties: Lamar and Hopkins* (2).

The names of the delegates for the 25th District appear among those of the 23rd and 24th Districts.

[23]A. D. S. Collins was chief justice of Lamar county.

[24]A. D. S.

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TWENTY-SIXTH DISTRICT.—County: Wood (2).

The State of Texas }
County of Wood }

This is to certify whereas at an Election began and held in the several precincts of Wood county on Tuesday the 15th day of January 1861 for the purpose of Electing Delegates to a State Convention J. D. Rains Received two hundred and Sixty votes he having received the highest number of votes Polled for any one person therefore he is hereby declared duly Elected

Given under my official Seal and Signature at Quitman on the 18th day of January 1861

[Seal] J. E. Stephens
Chief Justice[25]

A certificate, same as above, was on same date issued to A. P. Shuford.

TWENTY-SEVENTH DISTRICT.—Counties: Van Zandt, Kaufman* and Henderson (4).

The State of Texas }
County of Kaufman }

I Cary Cobb Chief Justice of the aforesaid county do hereby certify that at an Election held in the counties of Henderson, Van Zandt and Kaufman on the 8th day of January A D 1861 At the Instance of the people in their Sovreign capacity for Delegates to a State Convention to meet at the City of Austin on the 4th Monday in January A D 1861 that Isham Chisum was duly Elected Delegate to said convention Having received seven hundred votes being a majority of votes polled for Delegates to said convention as appears by the returns made to me by the managers of the aforesaid Election

Given under my hand and Seal of the County Court at Kaufman this the 15th day of January A D 1861

[Seal] Cary Cobb
C. J. K. Co[25]

Certificates, same as above, were issued on same date to Lewis W. Moore who received 527 votes, to William Nash who received 785 votes and to William K. Payne who received 458 votes.

TWENTY-EIGHTH DISTRICT.—County: Hunt (2).

The State of Texas }
County of Hunt }

I J. G. Stevens Chief Justice in and for Hunt

[25]A. D. S.

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County Texas do hereby Certify that at an election held in the County of Hunt held on the 15th day of January 1861, for the election of delegates to a State Convention to be held in the City of Austin on the 28th day of January 1861 that Wiley A. Mattox was duly elected by the qualified voters of said County as a member of said Convention.

In testimony whereof I have hereto set my official signature and seal of office at Greenville this the 19th day of January A D 1861.

[Seal] J. G. Stevens
Chief Justice Hunt Co Tex[25]

TWENTY-NINTH DISTRICT.—County: Fannin (2).

The State of Texas }
County of Fannin }

I John F. Crawford (who ordered the election) to be held on the 15th Inst, Do hereby certify that at said election A J Nicholson received 208 votes for county representative to a State Convention to be held at Austin on the 28 Inst, He being one of two who received the highest number of votes for said position.

Jan 18th 1861. J. F. Crawford[26]

A Certificate, same as above, was on same date issued to Gideon Smith, and shows that he received 210 votes.

THIRTIETH DISTRICT.—Counties: Fannin* and Hunt (2).

The State of Texas }
County of Fannin }

I John F Crawford (who ordered the election) to be held on the 15 Inst, Do hereby certify that Elbert Earley received 210 votes for floating Representative for the Counties of Fannin and Hunt to a State Convention to be held at Austin on the 28th Inst, he being one of two who received the highest vote for said position.

18th January 1861 J. F. Crawford[26]

A certificate, same as above, was on same date issued to Jason Wilson, who received 206 votes.

The State of Texas }
County of Hunt }

I J. G. Stevens Chief Justice in and for Hunt County State of Texas, do hereby Certify that at an election held [in] said County on the 15th day of January 1861 for the election of Del-

[25] A. D. S.
[26] D. S.

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egates to a State Convention to be held at the City of Austin on the fourth Monday in this month January 1861, that E. Earley for floater Received one hundred and thirty majority in this County, and Jason Wilson for floater also Received one hundred and thirty nine majority in this County.

In testimony whereof I have hereto set my hand and official seal at Greenville this 19th day of January A D 1861.

[Seal] J. G. Stevens
Chief Justice Hunt Co Tex[27]

THIRTY-FIRST DISTRICT.—County: Grayson (2).

The State of Texas }
County of Grayson }

I Wm G Reynolds Chief Justice of said County hereby Certify that at an Election held in said County on the 12th day of January 1861 for Dellegates to a State Convention to meet at Austin on the 4th Monday in said month of January 1861 Wm W Diamond Received two hundred and fifty six votes being the 2nd highest number of votes polled for said office.

In witness whereof I hereunto set my hand and impress the seal of the County Court this 18th day of January 1861

[Seal] W G Reynolds
Chief Justice[28]

Certificates, same as above, were issued on same date to Jesse Marshall who received 256 votes and to James G. Thompson who received 257 votes.

THIRTY-SECOND DISTRICT.—County: Collin (2).

This is to certify that at an election held in Collin County and State of Texas on Saturday the 19th day of January A D 1861 for delegates to the Convention to be held in the City of Austin and said State on the fourth Monday in January A D 1861, James W Throckmorton was elected a delegate to said Convention he having received 656 votes, being the highest vote cast for any one candidate, as appears from the returns of said election made to and opened by the undersigned this day

Witness our hands this 22d day of January A D 1861

Alex Berry
S. B. Skidmore
A. G. Graves[28]

[27] A. D. S.
[28] D. S.

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A certificate, same as above, was issued on same date to Samuel Bogart and shows that he received 656 votes.

THIRTY-THIRD DISTRICT.—Counties: Collin* and Grayson (2).

The delegates from the 33rd District are not designated. The 31st District elected three delegates, one of them representing in fact the 33rd District.

THIRTY-FOURTH DISTRICT.—County: Galveston (2).

The State of Texas }
County of Galveston }

I, James P. Cole Chief Justice of the County aforesaid, do hereby Certify, that at an Election nolden in said County, on the Eighth day of January A. D. 1861, Judge R. C. Campbell was duly elected to the Office of Delegate to the State Convention to be held on the 28th inst, he having received 601 votes, out of 1022 votes cast as appears by the Returns of the same made to me by the Managers of said Election, in and for said County

Given under my hand, and the Seal of the County Court, at Galveston, this the Eighteenth day of January A. D. 1861

[Seal] J. P. Cole

Chief Justice, Galveston County[29]

Certificates, same as above, were issued on same date to John Muller who received 508 votes and to Gen. E. B. Nichols who received 900 votes.

The State of Texas }
County of Galveston }

I, James P. Cole Chief Justice of the County aforesaid, do hereby Certify, that at an Election holden in said County, on the Fourth day of March A. D. 1861, George Mason was duly elected to the Office of Delegate to the State Convention, in place of Jno Muller, he having received 395 votes, as appears by the Returns of the same made to me by the Managers of said Election, in and for said County

Given under my hand, and the Seal of the County Court, at Galveston, this the Sixth day of March A. D. 1861

[Seal] J. P. Cole

Chief Justice, Galveston County.[29]

[29]D. S.

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THIRTY-FIFTH DISTRICT.—Counties: Galveston* and Brazoria (2)

State of Texas }
County of Brazoria }

Whereas by virtue of an Order directed by the People of the aforesaid County in mass meeting assembled on the 17th November 1860 an election was held in said County on the 3 day of December thereafter, and Col John A Wharton having received the highest number of votes over any one candidate for Representative in a State Convention at said election

Therefore I, S W Perkins Chief Justice of the aforesaid County declare the said John A Wharton, Representative of the People of Brazoria County to a State Convention to be holden at the City of Austin on the 28th day of January

In testimony whereof I hereunto sign my name and affix the Seal of the County Court this 1st day of January A. D. 1861

[Seal] S. W. Perkins C. J. B C[30]

THIRTY-SIXTH DISTRICT.—County: Harris (4).

The State of Texas }
County of Harris }

This is to certify that on the 8th day of January A D 1861, at an election held in Harris County Texas, in obedience to an order issued by me as Chief Justice of said County, on the 10th day of December 1860, for the purpose of electing delegates to a General State Convention of the people of Texas, to be held at the City of Austin on the 28th day of January 1861, Peter W Gray received 966 votes out of 1658 votes polled in said County on said 8th day of January 1861, for delegates to said State Convention, which said 966 votes being a majority of all the votes polled on said 8th day of January in said County, the said Peter W Gray is hereby declared duly elected, as one of four delegates to represent Harris County in said Convention

In testimony of which witness my hand and the seal of office duly affixed this the 23rd day of January A D 1861

[Seal] J S Stafford
Chief Justice H C[31]

Certificates, same as above, were issued on same date to Thos. S. Lubbock who received 945 votes, to Wm. P. Rogers who received 942 votes and to Wm. McCraven who received 949 otes.

[30]A. D. S.
[31]D. S.

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The State of Texas }
County of Harris }

This is to certify that at the Election on Feby 23d 1861, James W. Henderson having received 748 votes was duly elected Delegate to the State Convention in place of William McCraven resigned.

Witness my hand and seal of Harris County Court at office Houston Feby 27, 1861

[Seal] J. Brashear Clk[32]

THIRTY-SEVENTH DISTRICT.—Counties: Montgomery, Grimes* and Brazos (4).

The State of Texas }
County of Grimes }

I, Geo. M. Patrick, Chief Justice of the County of Grimes and State aforesaid, hereby Certify, That at an election held on the 8th day of January inst. Joseph H. Dunham was elected one of the four Delegates, to the State Convention to be held in the City of Austin on the fourth Monday of January 1861, To represent the Representative District No. 37 composed of the Counties of Montgomery, Grimes and Brazos, he having received (772) seven hundred and seventy two votes

Given under my hand and Seal at office at Anderson, this the 21st day of January A. D. 1861.

[Seal] Geo. M. Patrick
Chief Justice Grimes County[32]

A certificate, same as above, was issued on same date to Wm. McIntosh of Brazos county, and shows that he received 750 votes.

A certificate, same as above, was issued on January 19th to R. J. Palmer, and shows that he received 641 votes.

A certificate, same as above, was issued on January 21st to J. W. Hutchinson, and shows that he received 770 votes. To this certificate is appended the following: "I further certify that R. J. Palmer of Montgomery Co. received (106) one hundred and six votes in Brazos county, not included in his certificate of election."

THIRTY-EIGHTH DISTRICT.—County: Walker (2).

The State of Texas }
Walker County }

I, Joab H. Banton Chief Justice of said County, do hereby Certify that in accordance with my order an Election was

[32]A. D. S.

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held and conducted under the forms of law, in the several Precincts in said county on the First day of January A. D. 1861 for the purpose of Electing two Deligates to represent said county in a State Convention to be held in the City of Austin on the 28th day of January A D 1861 and that at said Election for said office of Deligate, L. A. Abercrombie received Three hundred and one votes, that being one of the highest, and a majority of all the votes polled, I therefore declare him duly elected a Delegate to represent said County in said Convention

In testimony whereof I hereunto set my hand and affix the seal of the County Court of said County at Huntsville the 18th day [of] January 1861

[Seal] Joab H. Banton
Chief Justice Walker County Texas[33]

A certificate, same as above, was issued on same date to A. P. Wiley, and shows that he received 295 votes.

THIRTY-NINTH DISTRICT.—Counties: Leon* and Madison (2).

The State of Texas }
County of Leon }

I Simpson Robinson, Chief Justice of Leon County and Returning officer of Elections of the 39th Representative district of the State of Texas, Do hear by cirtify that in pursuance of a Resolution passed by the people of Leon County in mass meeting assembled in Centervill on the 15 day of December 1860 and in pursuance of a request of the said meeting I ordered an Election to be holden at the different precincts in Leon County on the 8th day of January 1861 for the purpose of Electing two deligates to represent the 39th Representative District of the State in a Convention to be holden in the City of Austin, to meet on the 4th Monday in January 1861 to take into Consideration the proper Course for the State of Texas to pursue in Consequence of the Election of Abraham Lincoln to the presidency of the United States

And I further cirtify that upon Counting the votes from the returns made to me from the Different precincts in Leon County and from a certificate of a like Election held in the County of Madison for the same purpose made to me by R. S. Rabourn Chief Justice of said County of Madison that John D Stell of Leon County was duly elected to represent the said 39th district as aforesaid In the Convention to meet at Austin as aforesaid and that full faith and credit should be given to his acts as such

[33]A. D. S.

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In testimony whereof I, Simpson Robinson Chief Justice of Leon County and returning officer of the 39th Representative district of the State of Texas have (unofficially) Set my hand and Seal of the County Court of Leon County At Centervile the 15th day of January A D 1861

[Seal] S Robinson
Chief Justice of Leon Co[33]

A certificate, same as above, was issued on same date to R. S. Gould of Leon County.

FORTIETH DISTRICT.—Counties; Freestone, Limestone* and Falls (4).

The State of Texas }
Limestone County }

I James L Burney Chief Justice of said County, do hereby Certify that at an Election held in the Representative District, Composed of the Counties of Freestone, Limestone and Falls for the election of four Delegates to the State Convention to assemble at Austin Texas on Monday the 28th January 1861, John Gregg rerecieved 957 votes, Wm M Peck reed 937 votes, D M Prendergast reed 952 and Charles Stewart reed 954 votes, and were duly Elected Delegates to said Convention.

Given under my hand and official seal this 21st January 1861

[Seal] Jas L Burney
Chief Justice Limestone County

28 Scattering votes were cast by persons who did not vote for either of the candidates, which added to the above makes 985 secession votes cast.[34]

At an Election held in Limestone County on the 23d day of February A D 1861 for the election of a Delegate to the State Convention

There were cast for John R. Henry 440 votes

There were cast for D. J. Moody 35 votes

I James L Burney Chief Justice of Limestone County do certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct return of said Election as appears by the returns of the same made to me by the managers of said Election in and for said County

Given under my hand and the seal of the County Court at Springfield the 26th day of February A D 1861

[Seal] James L Burney[35]

[33]A. D. S.

[34]D. S. The note concerning the 28 scattering votes was added in pencil by some unknown hand.

[35]D. S.

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To the Chief Justice of Limestone County.

Returns of an election held in the County of Freestone on the 23d day of Feby A D 1861, for one Delegate to fill the vacancy in the State Convention occasioned by the Resignation of Hon John Gregg.

John R. Henry, No of votes, 511.

D. J. Moody " 28.

I A. L. Reed Chief Justice of the County aforesaid, Do hereby Certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct Return of said Election, as appears by the returns of the same made to me by the Managers of said Election in and for said County.

Given under my hand, and the Seal of the County Court at Fairfield, this the 26th day of Feby A. D. 1861.

[Seal] A. L. Reed
Chief Justice F. C.[34]

The State of Texas }
Limestone County }

I J L Burney Chief Justice of said County hereby Certify that the foregoing Election Returns from Freestone County were this day received and opened by me.

Given under my hand and seal of the County Court at Springfield this March 2nd 1861

[Seal] Jas L Burney[35]

In addition to the return from Freestone and Falls Counties, I desire to state that Mr. Henry handed to me to be presented to the Committee on Credentials a Certificate from the Chief Justice of Limestone County of the vote in that County showing some four or five hundred votes for him and a few for Mr Moody, but that I have mislaid it. Mr Henry is undoubtedly entitled to his seat—but has no certificate from the Chief Justice of Limestone, the returning County, showing the comparison by him of the vote of the three Counties.

Robert S. Gould[36]

State of Texas }
County of Falls }

I J. L. Conoly Clerk of the County Cour of Falls County, hereby certify, that at an Election holden in said County on the 23rd day of February A. D. 1861, for the purpose of Electing a Delegate to the State Convention to assemble in the City of Austin on the first Monday in March A. D. 1861, John R. Henry, a Candi-

[34] A. D. S.
[35] D. S.

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date for said Convention received Eighty Five votes. In testimony whereof I hereto set my hand and affix the seal of my office, This February 28th A. D. 1861.

[Seal]

J. L. Conoly Clerk
C. C. Falls County
Per Henry J. Persons, Dept.[37]

FORTY-FIRST DISTRICT.—Counties: Navarro* and Hill (2)

The State of Texas }
Navarro County }

This is to Certify that at an election held in the District composed of the Counties of Navarro and Hill for two delegates to the Convention to assemble in Austin on the 28th day of January 1861 Joseph A Clayton received seven hundred and fifty votes and J. P. Weir received seven hundred and fifty five [votes] and that being the highest number of votes cast for delegates to s[ai]d Convention they are therefore declared duly elected members to said Convention from said District. (The whole number of votes polled in said District being nine hundred and fifty seven).

Given under my hand and seal of office this 15 day Jany 1861

[Seal]

J. R. Loughridge
Chief Justice of Navarro County.[37]

FORTY-SECOND DISTRICT.—Counties: Ellis, Johnson* and Parker (4).

The State of Texas }
County of Johnson }

I J. J. Ligon Chief Justice of s[ai]d County and Returning officer of the 42nd Representative district of Texas, composed of the Counties of Parker, Johnson and Ellis do certify that at an Election held in said District on the 8th day of Jany. 1861 for the election of four delegates to represent said district in a State Convention to meet in the City of Austin on the 28th day of January 1861 Amzi Bradshaw was duly Elected as appears from the Returns of the managers of said Election made to me.

Witness my Hand at Buchanan on this the 19 Jany 1861

J. J. Ligon,
Chief Justice[38]

Certificates, same as above, were issued on same date to A. C. Hoyl, T. C. Neel and A. T. Obenchain.

[37] [38] A. D. S.

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FORTY-THIRD DISTRICT.—County: Tarrant (2).

The State of Texas }
County of Tarrant }

We James K Allen and James M Crofford County Commissioners in and for said County do hereby Certify that at an Election held in and for the County of Tarrant, on the 8th day of January 1861, for the Election of two delegates to the State Convention James E Cook was duly Elected a member to said Convention he having Received 443, Votes.

Given under our hands and Seal of the County Court for said County On this 16th day of January A D 1861.

[Seal] James K Allen Co. Commissioner
J. M. Crofford Co. Commissioner[39]

A certificate, same as above, was on same date issued to Nathaniel Terry, and shows that he received 442 votes.

FORTY-FOURTH DISTRICT.—County: Dallas (4).

The State of Texas }
Dallas County }

I J M Patterson Chief Justice in and for the aforesaid County do hereby Certify that at an Election held in the aforesaid County on Tuesday the 8th day of January A. D. 1861 for the purpose of Electing Four Delegates to a State Convention, P. Taylor, E. P. Nicholson, T. J. Nash and W. S. J. Adams were Elected as appears from the returns made to me

Given under my hand and the Seal of the County Court this 19th day of January A. D. 1861

[Seal] J M Patterson
Chief Justice[40]

FORTY-FIFTH DISTRICT.—County: Denton (2).

The State of Texas }
County of Denton }

I, C. W. Holland Chief Justice in and for Denton County do he[re]by certify that at an Election held in Denton County on the 8 Day of January 1861 for Delegates to a State convention that S. P. Beebe was Duly Elected a Delegate for Denton county Texas the said Beebe having received 317 votes

[39]D. S.
[40]A. D. S.

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Given under my hand and Seal of the County Court at Denton Feb 26 Day 1861

[Seal] C W Holland
Chief Justice Denton County Texas[40]

A certificate similar to the above was issued on February 18th to J. H. Wilcox, and shows that he received 264 votes.

FORTY-SIXTH DISTRICT.—Counties: Cook, Montague, Wise,* Jack, Young, Clay, Wichita, Archer, Wilbarger, Baylor, Throckmorton, Hardeman, Knox and Haskell (2).

The certificate of James J. Diamond has not been found.

FORTY-SEVENTH DISTRICT.—Counties: Matagorda, Wharton* and Fort Bend (2).

State of Texas }
County of Wharton }

Chief Justice Office

Hon John Rugeley

You are hereby notified that at an Election held in the 47th Representative District composed of the counties of Matagorda, Wharton and Fort Bend on the 8th day of January 1861, you were Elected a delegate to Represent said District in the State convention to meet at Austin on the 28th day of January 1861, you having received 283 votes.

To which I certify under my hand and seal of office this 21 day of January 1861.

[Seal] John W Veazey
Chief Justice Wharton Co. Texas[41]

The State of Texas }
County of Fort Bend }

Chief Justice Office

Hon John Rugeley

You are hereby notified that at an election in the 47th Representative District composed of the Counties Matagorda, Wharton and Fort Bend on the 8th day of January A D 1861 you were elected a Delegate to represent said District in a State Convention to meet at the City of Austin on the 28th day of January A D 1861 you having received two Hundred and twenty four votes

[40] [41] A. D. S.

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To which I certify under my hand and seal of office this the 27th day of January A D 1861

[Seal] George P Foster
Chief Justice F B Co[43]

A certificate, same as above, was issued on same dates to B. F. Terry, and shows that he received 283 votes in Wharton county and 228 votes in Fort Bend county.

FORTY-EIGHTH DISTRICT.—County: Austin (2).

The State of Texas } ss.
County of Austin }

This is to certify that at an election held on the 22nd day of December A. D. 1860 David Y. Portis was elected to the office of Delegate to the State Convention to be held at the City of Austin on the 28th January A. D. 1861 in and for said County and State, he having received 354 votes for said office.

In testimony whereof I hereunto set my hand and the seal of the County Court of Austin County at Bellville this 22nd day of January A. D. 1861

[Seal] George W. Johnson
Chief Justice. A. C.[42]

A certificate, same as above, was issued on same date to Edwin Waller, Sr., and shows that he received 356 votes.

FORTY-NINTH DISTRICT.—County: Colorado (2).

The State of Texas }
Colorado County }

I A B Bonas one of the County Commissioners of the County and State afforsaid hereby Certify that at an election held in said County on the 8th day of January 1861 for the Election of Delegates to a State Convention to be Convened at the City of Austin on the 4th Monday in January 1861, A. H. Davidson was duly Elected as such Delegate from this County, he having received a majority of all the votes cast at said election.

Given under my hand this the 14th day of January, A D 1861.

A B Bonas
County Commissioner of Colorado County State of Texas[43]

[42] D. S. .
[43] A. D. S.

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FIFTIETH DISTRICT.—County: Fayette (2).

The State of Texas }
County of Fayette }

To all to whom these presents shall come Greeting

Be it known that at an election held in said county of Fayette on the 8th day of January A D 1861 James S. Lester was duly elected as a Delegate to a convention to be held in the City of Austin on the fourth Monday in January A D 1861 he having received 380 votes which was the highest number of votes polled for any one candidate for said office

To Certify which we hereto sign our names and affix the Seal of the County Court of said County at office in La Grange this 21st day of January A D 1861

[Seal] Smith W. Ligon }
N. C. Joiner } County Commissioners[44]

A certificate, same as above, was on same date issued to Thomas C. Moore, and shows that he received 380 votes.

FIFTY-FIRST DISTRICT.—County: Washington (2).

The State of Texas }
Washington County }

I E. D. Tarver Chief Justice in and for said County, do hereby Certify that W. S. Oldham, was on the 8th day of January A. D. 1861, Elected a Delegate to the State Convention, for said County, Said Convention to be holden in the City of Austin on the 28th day of January A. D. 1861.

Given under my hand and the Seal of the County Court of said County, at Brenham, this the 17th day of January A D 1861.

[Seal] E. D. Tarver
Chief Justice[44]

A certificate, same as above, was issued on same date to J. B. Robertson.

State of Texas }
Washington County }

I E. D. Tarver Chief Justice of said County do hereby certify that at an Election held in said County in pursuance to an order by the President of the State Convention, for a Dele-

[44]D. S.

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gate to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of W. S. Oldham, W. A. Montgomery was duly elected.

To certify which fact, I hereto sign my name and affix the Seal of the County Court, done at Brenham this 26th day of February A. D. 1861.

[Seal] E. D. Tarver
Chief Justice W. Co.[45]

FIFTY-SECOND DISTRICT.—Counties: Washington* and Fayette (2).

The State of Texas }
Washington County }

I E. D. Tarver Chief Justice in and for said County, do hereby Certify that J. W. Dancey was elected on the 8th day of January A. D. 1861, a Delegate to the State Convention to be holden in the City of Austin on the 28th day of Jany A. D. 1861, as a floater from Washington and Fayette Counties.

Given under my hand and the Seal of the County Court of said County, at office, in Brenham, the 17th day of Jan A D 1861.

[Seal] E. D. Tarver Chief Justice[46]

A certificate, same as above, was on same date issued to James E. Shepard.

FIFTY-THIRD DISTRICT.—Counties: Burleson and Robertson* (2).

The State of Texas }
County of Robertson }

We, W. P. Townsend, Gilbert M. Hunter, Gilbert C. Richardson, and W. H. Hamman, a General Committee appointed by Col. John A. Turner, Chairman of the Mass Meeting of the citizens of Robertson County, held in the town of Owensville on the fifteenth day of December, 1860, according to the provisions of the fifth and sixth Resolutions adopted by said Meeting, a copy of which is hereunto attached, hereby certify that we have this day, in the town of Owensville compared the polls of the votes cast in the Representative District composed of the Counties of Robertson and Burleson, *returned to us,* and have found that A. S. Broaddus is one of the candidates which received the largest number of votes polled at an Election held on the 8th day of January, 1861, for Delegates to a General Convention of the People of the State of Texas, to meet in the City of Austin on the 4th Monday of January, 1861:—

We therefore declare that A. S. Broaddus, Esq. is duly elected a Delegate to the General Convention of the People of the State of Texas

[45]A. D. S.
[46]D. S.

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to convene in the City of Austin on the 4th Monday of January, 1861.

Given under our hands this 16th day of January, 1861, in the town of Owensville.

William Purnell Townsend,
Gilbert Marshall Hunter
Gilbert C. Richardson
W. H. Hamman[46]

A certificate, same as above, was on same date issued to John H. Feeney.

FIFTY-FOURTH DISTRICT.—County: Bastrop (2).

The State of Texas }
County of Bastrop }

I, P. H. Jones Chief Justice of Bastrop County, Do hereby certify that an election held in said County, on the 8th Inst, for the election of two Delegates to represent said County in a State Convention, to be held in the City of Austin on the 28th Inst, Thos. B. J. Hill was duly elected a delegate to represent said County in said Convention, he having received a majority of the votes cast in said election.

Given under my hand and seal of the County Court of Bastrop County, this 24th day of January 1861.

[Seal] P H Jones Chf Justice Bastrop Co.[47]

No votes Bastrop County 304

A certificate, same as above, was issued on same date to W. G. Miller.

FIFTY-FIFTH DISTRICT.—County: Travis (2).

Austin Texas
January 15th 1860 [1861]

Whereas an election for delegates to a convention of the People of Texas was duly held in the County of Travis on the 8th day of January A D 1861 And whereas said County is entitled to three Delegates in said Convention

Now therefore, I, L S Woodward one of the County Commissioners in and for said County, the returns of said election having been made to me, do hereby certify, that John A Green, H N Burditt, and George Flournoy, have received the largest number of votes polled at said

[46]D. S.

[47]D. S. The note in regard to the number of votes cast in Bastrop county is added in pencil by an unknown hand.

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Election, and are duly Elected as Delegates from the County of Travis to said Convention

L. S. Woodward
County Commissioner Travis County[48]

FIFTY-SIXTH DISTRICT.—Counties: Travis and Williamson* (2).

We the undersigned having estimated the result of an Election held in Williamson County on the 8th day of January 1861 for the purpose of electing two Delegates to represent said County in a State Convention to be begun and held at the City of Austin in the State of Texas, on the 4th Monday, the 28th day of said month found the same to be as follows

Thomas P. Hughes	Received	350 votes
Elisha Thomason	"	257 "
————Tams	"	69 "
Scattering		19 "

Georgetown January 18th 1861

Levi Pennington
D S Cooke
J T Mileham[48]

FIFTY-SEVENTH DISTRICT.—Counties: Williamson* and Milam (2).

The State of Texas }
County of Milam }

Whereas an Election was held by the people in the County of Milam and State aforesaid on the 8th day of January 1861 for the purpose of Electing one Delegate for the County of Milam to meet in a Convention at the City of Austin on the 4th Monday in January 1861

I, A. H. Moss Chief Justice of said County do hereby certify that C M Lesueur received a majority of all the votes polled and is therefore Elected a delegate to said Convention

Given under my hand and Seal of the County Court of said County this the 11th day of January A D 1861

[Seal]

A H Moss
Chief Justice of M. C.[48]

The State of Texas }
County of Milam }

I, W. D. King Clerk of the County Court in and

*D. S.

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for said County do hereby certify that an Election held in said County on the 8th day of Jany 1861 there was 596 votes polled and that C. M. Lesueur Received 383 votes

Given under my hand and official Seal at office in Cameron this the 11th day of January A D 1861

[Seal]

W. D. King
Clerk C. C. M. C.[49]

FIFTY-EIGHTH DISTRICT.—Counties: Caldwell*, Hays and Blanco (2).

The State of Texas }
County of Caldwell }

At an election held on the 8th day of January A D 1861 in the counties of Caldwell, Hays and Blanco for Two Delegates to represent the District in Convention Spencer Ford received 342 votes and J C Watkins received 344 votes which being the highest No of votes cast for said office I declare them duly Elected

Given under my hand and official Seal this 18th day of January A D 1861

[Seal]

J A Glenn
Chief Justice C C[49]

FIFTY-NINTH DISTRICT.—Counties: Bell* and Lampasas (2).

The State of Texas }
County of Bell }

I Daniel McMillin Chief Justice of said County and returning officer of the 59th Representative District in said State (*Composed of the Counties of Bell and Lampasas*) do hereby Certify that at an Election held in said District on Tuesday, the 8th day of January 1861, for the Election of two Delegates from said District to Represent the same in a State Convention to be convened at the City of Austin in said State on the 28th day of January 1861 John Henry Brown was duly Elected one of said Delegates: he having received votes at said Election as appears from the returns made to me of the same.

Given under my hand and the seal of County Court of said County, at Belton this 22nd day January A. D. 1861.

[Seal]

Daniel McMillin
Chief Justice Bell County[50]

[49] [50] A. D. S.

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A certificate, same as above, was issued on same date to E. S. C. Robertson

SIXTIETH DISTRICT.—*Counties: McLennan* and Bosque (2).*

The State of Texas }
McLennan County }
To all whom it may concern, Greeting:

This is to certify that at an Election held on the Eighth day of January Inst. the following named gentlemen having received the highest number of votes I hereby declare and certify that the said Richard Coke and Allison Nelson are duly and regularly elected delegates to the State Convention to assemble at Austin on January 28th A. D. 1861 to represent the 60th Representative District in said Convention.

Given under my hand and official Signature at office in Waco City This Jan 15, A. D. 1861

[Seal] Wallace E. Oakes[50]
Chief Justice McL. Co Texas and
Returning officer for 60th Rep. District

Attest
R. M. Billingsley
Clk. Co. Ct. McL. Co Texas

SIXTY-FIRST DISTRICT.—Counties: Coryell, Hamilton, Comanche*, Erath, Brown, Palo Pinto, Buchanan, Eastland, Shackelford, Callahan, Coleman, *Jones, Taylor and Runnels (2).*

The State of Texas }
County of Comanche }

I, C. W. Carnes *Chief Justice of Comanche* County, do hereby certify that after comparing the Polls from the returns made to me from the Counties composing the 61st District for Members to the State Legislature find that T. C. Frost and James M. Norris received the highest and best vote to represent the said District in the State Convention called by the people of the State of Texas, to meet at Austin on 4th Monday in Jany 1861

Given under my hand and seal of Office, at Comanche, This January 21st A. D. 1861.

[Seal] C W Carnes
Chief Justice of Comanche County[51]

[50]A. D. S.
[51]D. S.

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State of Texas }
Camp Hunter, Coleman Co. }
To the Honorable President of the State Convention for said State
Sir

At an election held in Camp at Camp Hunter Coleman Co Texas by the Citizens and Rangers attached to Capt J. B. Barry Company and in the Service of the State from Erath Co for the purpose of ratifying or rejecting the Ordinance of Secession of the State of Texas from the federal union or United States of America, and for Delegate to represent the District to which Erath belongs in Convention the following vote was polled.

For Secession 13 Against Secession —

for Delegate J. L. L. McCall of McLennan 13

We the undersigned presiding officers Judges Clerks of the Election hereby certify that the above is true and correct Statement of votes cast at the Election held at Camp Hunter on the 23d of Feb 1861

Clerk
Jas H Price
D A Evans

J R Waller P O
Riggs Dupuy Judge
John Salmon Judge[51]

SIXTY-SECOND DISTRICT.—Counties: Calhoun, Victoria*, Jackson and De Witt (4).

The State of Texas }
County of Victoria }

I William Ragland Chief Justice of said County do hereby Certify that at an Election held in this representative District composed of the Counties of Dewitt, Victoria, Calhoun and Jackson on the 8th day of January A D 1861 for delegates to the State Convention to be held at Austin on the 28th day of January, A D 1861 the following named persons were duly elected to represent said District as delegates in said Convention to wit Fielding Jones of Victoria County, J J Holt of Calhoun County, Fletcher Stockdale of Jackson County and William R. Scurry of We Witt County all of which were duly Elected

Witness my hand and Seal of said County at Victoria this 23rd day of Jany 1861

[Seal]

Wm Ragland
Chief Justice Victoria County[52]

[51]D. S.
[52]A. D. S.

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The State of Texas }
County of Victoria }

I William Ragland Chief Justice in and for said County and returning Officer for the Representative District composed of the Counties of Victoria, Dewitt, Jackson and Calhoun, do hereby Certify that at an election held in said district on the 23th day of February 1861, for the lection of Two delegates for said district to the State Convention to fill the Vacancies in said State Convention caused by the resignation of Fielding Jones and J J Holt, D. M. Stapp and Wilkins Hunt were duly elected Delegates from said District to said Convention as appears to me by the returns of said Election now on file in my Office

Given Under my Hand and the Seal of the County Court of Victoria County this the 27th Day of February A D 1861.

[Seal] Wm Ragland
Chief Justice of Victoria County[53]

SIXTY-THIRD DISTRICT.—County: Lavaca (2).

The State of Texas }
County of Lavaca }

I J F Spears Chief Justice in and for said State and County do Hereby Certify that at an Election held in said County to Elect delagates to the State Convention on the Eighth day of January 1861, that B F Moss was duly Elected to represent said County in said Convention

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and official Seal at office in Hallettsville this 12th day of January 1861.

[Seal] J F Spears
Chief Justice L C[53]

Attest
Josiah Dowling
Clk C. C. L. C

A certificate, same as above, was on same date issued to Ben Williams.

SIXTY-FOURTH DISTRICT.—County: Gonzales (2).

The State of Texas }
Gonzales County }

I, F. Chenault Clerk of the County Court of said County Certify that in accordance with a resolution of a mass meeting of the Citizens of Gonzales County, I ordered an election

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to be held on the 8th day or January 1861 at the several Precincts in said County, for Two Delegates to a State Convention to be held, at the City of Austin on the 28th day of said month, and I caused due notice to be given of said Election, and at said election James C Wilson, and William H Stewart received a majority of all the votes polled, and were elected Delegates from this County to said Convention.

Given under my hand at Gonzales this 18th day of January 1861

F. Chenault
Clk C C G C[54]

The State of Texas }
Gonzales County }

I, F. Chenault, Clerk of the County Court of Gonzales County certify that at an election holden at the Several precincts in Gonzales County on Thursday the 24th day of January 1861, for the election of a Delegate to represent said County in the State Convention, to assemble at Austin on Monday the 28th of January 1861, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of J. C. Wilson, A. N. Mills received a majority of all the votes polled, and was duly elected a member of said Convention, from this County.

Given under my hand at Gonzales this 26th day of Jany 1861

F. Chenault[54]
Clk C C G C

SIXTY-FIFTH DISTRICT.—County: Guadalupe (2).

State of Texas }
Guadalupe County }

I, W. P. H. Douglass, Chief Justice of said County hereby certify that at an election held in said County on the eighth day of January 1861, John Ireland, and William P. Hardeman, were elected to represent said County of Guadalupe in a convention of the State of Texas to be assembled at Austin on the fourth Monday (the 28th day) of January 1861.

I further certify that there were three hundred and ninety two votes cast of which John Ireland received two hundred and seventy three votes and W. P. Hardeman received two hundred and sixty seven votes.

To certify which I hereto sign my name and affix the seal of Guadalupe County this 24th day of January 1861.

[Seal]

W P H Douglass
C. J. G. Co[55]

[54]A. D. S.
[55]D. S.

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SIXTY-SIXTH DISTRICT.—County: Comal (2).

The State of Texas }
County of Comal }

At an election held in the County of Comal on the fourteenth day of January 1861 for the purpose of choosing Delegates to a Convention of the people of the State of Texas, to meet in the City of Austin on the 28th day of January 1861 Theodore Koester received Two hundred and thirty three (233) votes which being a majority of votes polled at said election, therefore said Theodore Koester is hereby declared duly elected [Delegate] of and for the County of Comal.

In testimony whereof I hereunto affix my signature in the City of New-Braunfels this the 19th day of January A. D. 1861.

H. Heffter.
Chief-Justice of the County of Comal[56]

A certificate, same as above, was issued on same date to Walter F. Preston, and shows that he received 244 votes.

SIXTY-SEVENTH DISTRICT.—Counties: Gillespie*, Kerr, Bandera, Mason, Menard, Kimble and Edwards (2).

State of Texas }
County of Bandera }

I Edward M Ross, Chief Justice of Bandera County do hereby Certify that at an Election held in Bandera County, on the 8th day of January, 1861, that Edward M Ross, received a majority of all the votes polled, for Delegate to meet in Convention at the City of Austin on the 28th day of January A. D. 1861. I therefore declare the said Edward M Ross, to be dully Elected Delegate, to represent the County of Bandera in aforesaid Convention.

Given under my hand, and Seal of the County Court of Bandera County this 14th day of January A. D. 1861.

[Seal] Edward M. Ross
Chief Justice of Bandera Co.[56]

State of Texas }
County of Kerr }

I Jonathan Scott ordered an election for the purpose of electing one delegate to the convention of the people to meet in Austin on the fourth Monday in January A. D. 1861. The said election was held in Kerr County on the 8th day of January A. D. 1861.

According to the returns of said election made to me, Charles Ganahl Esqr. received the highest No of votes polled at said election and he was therefore declared elected.

[56]A. D. S.

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In testimony whereof I have hereto signed my name and caused the seal of the County Court to be affixed at the office in Comfort this fourteenth day of January A. D. 1861.

[Seal] Jonathan Scott

Attest Chief Justice Kerr County[57]

Theodore Wiedenfeld
Clerk C. C. K. C.

SIXTY-EIGHTH DISTRICT.—Counties: Burnet*, Llano, San Saba, McCulloch and Concho (2).

The State of Texas }
Burnet County }

This is to certify that at an Election held in the Counties of Burnet, Llano and Sansaba on the 8th day of January 1861, for the purpose of Electing Delegates to a State Convention to assemble at the City of Austin on the 28th January 1861, when T. M. McCraw Received one hundred and forty seven Votes and is hereby declared Elected.

Given under my hand and the Seal of the County Court at Burnet the 21st day of January A D 1861

[Seal] C. Dorbant, County Com'r[57]

A certificate, same as above, was on same date issued to Thomas Moore, and shows that he received 201 votes.

SIXTY-NINTH DISTRICT.—Counties: Goliad*, Refugio and San Patricio (2).

I, William N. Fant, Chief Justice of Goliad county, of the State of Texas, and officer to whom returns are made from the representative district, composed of the counties of Goliad, Refugio and San Patricio, do certify, that A. M. Hobby, of Refugio county, at the election held on the 8th of this month, was duly elected one of the two delegates for said district to the Convention for the State about to assemble.

Witness my signature and official seal, at Goliad this 23d day of Jan. 1861.

[Seal] Wm. N. Fant
Chf Jus. G. Co.[58]

A certificate, same as above, was issued on same date to Pryor Lea of Goliad county.

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SEVENTIETH DISTRICT.—Counties: Karnes*, Bee, Live Oak, Atascosa, McMullen, Frio, La Salle, Zavala and Dimmit (2).

The State of Texas }
County of Karnes }

I G. M. Reese Chief Justice of Karnes County do hereby certify that at an Election held on the 8th day of January 1861 for the Representative District composed of the counties of Karnes, Live Oak, Bee and Atascosa, for the Election of two Delegates to the State Convention to be held at Austin on the fourth Monday in January, John Donelson of Live Oak County, and John Littleton of Karnes county were elected as said delegates, they having received the largest number of votes polled.

Given under my hand and the seal of the County Court of Karnes County at Office in Helena this the 21st day of January A. D. 1861.

[Seal] G. M. Reese
Chief Justice Karnes County.[59]

The State of Texas }
County of Bee }

To all to whom these presents shall come Know Ye, that Whereas I G D Gay Chief Justice of Bee County, after having Conferred With Many Citizens of said County, in regard to the propriety of electing a delegate from Bee Co to the Convention to assemble at Austin on the 4th Monday of Jany 1861, instead of the plan proposed to wit that of two delegates from the Seventieth dist in order the better to secure a fair representation of the Sentiments of said County, and it appearing to accord with the wishes of the said Citizens and being a Course recommended by them as well as the Chief Justice, the Election Consequently was so ordered,

Now therefore I, G D Gay Chief Justice of said County do hereby Certify that at an Election held at the different election Precincts in said County, on the 8th day of January 1861 for the purpose of Electing one delegate to represent Bee County in a Convention to assemble at the City of Austin on the fourth Monday of January inst. Robert Graham was duly elected delegate from said County to the said Convention

To certify which I hereunto set my hand and affix the Seal of the County Court of Bee County at Beeville on this the 19 day of Jany A D 1861.

[Seal] G. D. Gay
Chief Justice Bee Co[59]

[59]A. D. S.

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The State of Texas }
County of Karnes }

At an Election held in the County of Karnes on Saturday the 23d day of February A. D. 1861 Charles A. Russel was elected a Delegate to the State Convention, to fill the place of John Littleton resigned, he having received one hundred and eleven votes, the highest number of votes polled for said office

Given under my hand and the Seal of the County Court of said County this 28th day of February A. D. 1861

[Seal] G. M. Reese
Chief Justice K. C.[60]

SEVENTY-FIRST DISTRICT.—County: Bexar (4).

The State of Texas }
County of Bexar }

I Jno H Duncan, Chief Justice in and for the County aforesaid do hereby certify that, at an Election held in said County, on the 8th day of January A. D. 1861, for the Election of Delegates to represent the County of Bexar in a general convention of the people of the State of Texas, to convene at Austin, on the 28th day of January A. D. 1861, to consider of the critical condition of the United States, Robert W. Brahan received seven hundred and thirty-two votes, nine of the nineteen precincts having voted; and that being one of the highest numbers cast the said Robert W. Brahan is hereby declared duly elected one of the delegates aforesaid, in the general convention aforesaid.

Given under my hand this 21 day of January A. D. 1861.

Jno H Duncan C. J. B. C.[60]

Certificates, similar to the above, were issued on January 25th to Thomas J. Devine who received 732 votes, to Samuel S. Smith who received 730 votes and to John A. Wilcox who received 713 votes.

SEVENTY-SECOND DISTRICT.—Counties: Bexar*, Medina, Uvalde, Dawson, Kinney and Maverick (2).

The State of Texas }
County of Bexar }

I Jno H Duncan, Chief Justice in and for the County aforesaid, do hereby certify that at an Election held on the 8th day of January A. D. 1861, for the Election of Delegates to Represent the Seventy Second Representative District of said State, in a general Convention of the people of Texas. to convene at Austin on

[60]A. D. S.

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the 28th day of January A. D. 1861, to consider of the present critical condition of the United States, Charles De Montel received, in the County of Bexar, six hundred and ninety two votes—nine of the nineteen precincts voting—and in the County of Medina one hundred and eighteen votes; in all eight hundred and ten votes. And that being one of the highest numbers cast, the said Charles De Montel is hereby declared duly elected one of the Delegates aforesaid to represent the District aforesaid, in the general Convention aforesaid.

Given under my hand this 24th day of January, A. D. 1861.

Jno H Duncan C. J. B. C.[61]

A certificate, same as above, was issued on same date to A. Nauendorf, and shows that he received 545 votes in Bexar county and 118 votes in Medina county—a total of 663 votes.

SEVENTY-THIRD DISTRICT.—County: Cameron (2).

State of Texas }
County of Cameron }

Know all men by these presents that at a general Election held in the various precincts of the said County on the 7th day of January A. D. 1861 ordered by the County Commissioners of the County Court of Cameron County and State aforesaid, pursuant to a call from the people for the Election of three Delegates to a State Convention to be held at Austin the Capital of the State, on the 4th Monday of January A. D. 1861 John S. Ford received 294 votes for Delegate to represent said County, at said Election. He is hereby duly elected therefore, that being a Majority

Witness our hands and Seal of the County Court this 16th day of January A. D. 1861

[Seal]

Eben Cobb
Morgan Barclay
A Werbiski

County Commissioners of Cameron County Texas[62]

Certificates, same as above, were on same date issued to F. W. Latham who received 301 votes and to James Walworth who received 327 votes.

SEVENTY-FOURTH DISTRICT.—Counties: Cameron* and Hidalgo (2).

The State of Texas }
County of Hidalgo }

At an election held pursuant to previous notice, in Hidalgo County, for the election of One Delegate to the Conven-

[61] A. D. S.

[62] D. S.

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tion for the State at large to meet at Austin on the Fourth Monday of January A. D. 1861, Edward Dougherty Esqr. received all the votes except two in the County, (Unanimous vote of the County less two,) and was duly elected Delegate to represent this County in said Convention. Election held January 14th A. D. 1861.

In Testimony whereof I hereunto set my hand and affix the seal of the Court of said County at Edinburgh this the 17th day of January A. D. 1861.

[Seal] P. Nickels
Chief Justice of Hidalgo County Texas[63]

SEVENTY-FIFTH DISTRICT.—Counties: Starr* and Zapata (2).

The State of Texas }
County of Starr }

I Samuel J Stewart of said County do hereby Certify that on the 8th day of January A D 1861, an Election was held in the 75th Representative District of said State according to the act of apportionment passed at the last session of the Legislature of the State, Said District embracing the Counties of Starr and Zapata. Said election was ordered held and returned according to the forms of the law, regulating elections in this State, and for two delegates to represent said District in the Convention of this State, to meet at the City of Austin on the 28th day of January 1861. And I having opened and examined the returns of said election made to me by the Managers of said election at the various Precincts in this County, as well as the returns made to me by the Chief Justice of Zapata County, find that for delegate as aforesaid Edward R Hord received four hundred and twenty six votes, a majority of all the votes polled in said District, and that he the said Hord is duly Elected a delegate to said Convention.

Given under my hand and the Seal of the County Court of said County at Rio Grande City this 18th day of January A D 1861

[Seal] Saml. J. Stewart
Attest Chief Justice Starr County Texas[63]
Peter Dowd Clk
C. C. S. C.

A certificate, similar to that above, was issued on January 29th to Noah Cox, and shows that he received 298 votes.

To the President of the Texas State Convention:

At an Election held in the County of Starr on the 8th day of Jan-

[63] A. D. S.

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uary one thousand eight hundred and sixty one, for delegates to the Texas State Convention in accordance with notices posted of said Election at the several Precincts in said County, and at the request of the people of said County, the Election was held on said day for the election of said delegates to said Convention, and the following is the result of the same, to wit:

The Office	Names of Candidates	No. of Votes Received
For Delegates	Edward R Hord	Received four hundred and twenty six (426)
to the State	Noah Cox	Received two hundred and ninety eight (298)
Convention	H. P. Bee	Received one hundred and twenty seven (127)

I Samuel J. Stewart Chief Justice in and for the County of Starr State of Texas do hereby Certify that the above is a true and correct return of all the Votes Polled in the 75th representative District, for delegates to the Texas State Convention as appears by the returns made to me by the managers of said Election.

In testimony whereof I hereunto sign my name and affix the Seal of the County Court. Done at Rio Grande City aforesaid County and State this 18th day of January A. D. 1861.

[Seal] Saml J Stewart
Attest Chief Justice Starr County[64]
Peter Dowd Clk
C. C. S. C.

SEVENTY-SIXTH DISTRICT.—Counties: Webb, Nueces*, Duval and Encinal (2).

The State of Texas }
County of Nueces }

I H. A. Gilpin Chief Justice in and for the County aforesaid, and returning officer for Representative District Number Seventy Six, Do hereby Certify that at an Election held in said District on Tuesday the 8th day of January A D 1861 For the Election of Two Delegates to the State Convention to be holden in the City of Austin on the fourth Monday of the present month of January P. N. Luckett received three hundred and thirty eight (338) votes, which vote entitles him to a seat in said Convention as one of the Delegates from this District No. 76.

Given under my hand and the Seal of the County Court of Nueces County, this the 19th day of January A. D. 1861

[Seal] H. A. Gilpin,
Chief Justice Nueces County, and returning Officer District 76.[64]

[64]A. D. S.

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A certificate, same as above, was issued on same date to Henry A. Maltby, and shows that he received 264 votes.

SEVENTY-SEVENTH DISTRICT.—Counties: El Paso* and Presidio (2).

The State of Texas }
County of El Paso }

This is to certify that at an Election held in said County for delegates to a State Convention to be holden in Austin on the 4th Monday in January A. D. 1861, P T Herbert was duly and legally elected as a delegate thereto.

Given under my hand and official seal this 10th day of January A D 1861

[Seal] H. S. Gillett
Chief Justice El Paso Co[64]

A certificate, same as above, was on same date issued to Russel Howard.

SEVENTY-EIGHTH DISTRICT.[66]—County: Wilson.

The State of Texas }
County of Wilson }

I, William Sutherland, Chief Justice of the County aforesaid, do hereby Certify, that at an Election held in and for the County of Wilson, on Tuesday, the eighth day of January, A D 1861, for the election of a Delegate to a State Convention to assemble at the City of Austin, on the twenty-eighth day of January, A D 1861, Claibourne Rector received the highest number of votes polled for any candidate for said office, and the said Claibourne Rector is hereby declared duly elected Delegate to said Convention

In Testimony whereof I hereunto sign my name and affix the impress of my official Seal this twelfth day of January A D 1861

[Seal] Wm. Sutherland
Chief Justice Wilson County.[65]

[64]D. S.
[65]A. D. S.

[66]The county of Wilson was created after the act to apportion the State into representative districts had been passed. A 78th district is mentioned in the Journal.

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