

1823 when Texas was still part of Mexico, there were serious problems with raids by Indians. Under Mexican law, Austin was authorized to form a militia to ward off Indian raids, capture criminals and patrol against intruders. In May, while Austin was in Mexico City, his lieutenant, Moses Morrison, used this authority to assemble a company of men to protect the Texas coast from Indians. The term "Texas Ranger" did not appear officially in a piece of legislation until 1874.

TALES OF THE TEXAS RANGERS

\$500.00

13" x 32" black frame with an 2" wide double matt framing an original ink drawing on Strathmore Bristol board.