

Exhibit 97

in the case of:

**People of the Republic of Texas
and the
Sovereign Nation of the Republic of Texas**

v.

**UNITED NATIONS
(and all it's Political Subdivisions)
and
UNITED STATES
(and all it's Political Subdivisions)**

Under Pains and Penalties of perjury and the laws of the Almighty, and being sworn under a vow and oath, I attest that the attached pages are true and correct representations of:

Amendment by Senator Stephen Douglas to the Kansas-Nebraska Bill - January 23, 1854, handwritten - (pages 2-15 absent from the source), from the United States National Archives Records Administration website.

This attestation is made on August 17, 1998.

Attest: Jocelyn Sarlage

Ed. Brannum

Witness to source and above signature

J. Helen Brannum

Witness to above signatures

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES,

JANUARY 23, 1854

Submitted amendment, which was
Mr. DOUGLAS, from the Committee on Territories, submitted the following
informally ordered to be printed

Title amended

AMENDMENT

and Kansas

To bill (S. 22,) "To organize the Territory of Nebraska," viz:
strike out all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

- 1 That all that part of the territory of the United States in-
- 2 cluded within the following limits, except such portions thereof
- 3 as are hereinafter expressly exempted from the operations of
- 4 this act, to wit: beginning at a point in the Missouri river where
- 5 the fortieth parallel of north latitude crosses the same; thence
- 6 west on said parallel to the ^{*east boundary of the Territory of Utah on*} summit of the highlands separating
- 7 the waters flowing into Green river or Colorado of the west
- 8 from the waters flowing into the great basin; thence northward
- 9 on the said highlands to the summit of the Rocky mountains;
- 10 thence on said summit northward to the forty-ninth parallel
- 11 of north latitude; thence ^{*east*} ~~west~~ on said parallel to the western
- 12 boundary of the territory of Minnesota; thence southward on said
- 13 boundary to the Missouri river; thence down the main chan-
- 14 nel of said river to the place of beginning, be, and the same is,

*Order of
law
agreed*

March 3, 1854
Amendment agreed to in Committee of the whole &
Reported to Senate - I agreed to
all except the Clayton amendment which was agreed to you
March 3, 1854
Order of law agreed & Title amended

1 Sec. 14. *And be it further enacted,* That a delegate to
 2 the House of Representatives of the United States, to serve
 3 for the term of two years, who shall be a citizen of the United
 4 States, may be elected by the voters qualified to elect members
 5 of the legislative assembly, who shall be entitled to the same
 6 rights and privileges as are exercised and enjoyed by the dele-
 7 gates from the several other Territories of the United States to
 8 the said House of Representatives, but the delegate first elect-
 9 ed shall hold his seat only during the term of the Congress to
 10 which he shall be elected. The first election shall be held at
 11 such time and places, and be conducted in such manner, as the
 12 governor shall appoint and direct; and at all subsequent elec-
 13 tions the times, places, and manner of holding the elections
 14 shall be prescribed by law. The person having the greatest
 15 number of votes shall be declared by the governor to be duly
 16 elected, and a certificate thereof shall be given accordingly.
 17 That the Constitution, and all laws of the United States which
 18 are not locally inapplicable, shall have the same force and
 19 effect within the said Territory of Nebraska as elsewhere
 20 within the United States. Except the eighth section of the
 21 act preparatory to the admission of Missouri into the Union,
 22 approved March sixth, eighteen hundred and twenty, ~~which~~
 23 ~~was superseded by the principles of the legislation of eighteen~~
 24 ~~hundred and fifty, commonly called the compromise measures,~~
 25 ~~and is hereby declared inoperative.]~~ insert X

Douglas to strike out of insert X ~~provision~~ agreed