Know all men by these presents, that, We, Charlotte Allen (widow), Francis D. Allen, Lucius B. Allen, Maria L. Snow (widow) and Anna E. C. Allen, all of the City and State of New York, (the said Charlotte being the mother, and the said Francis D., Lucius B., Maria L. and Anna E. C. being the only brothers and sisters, and only heirs at law and next of kin to William H. Allen deceased, late Midshipmen in the Texas Navy) have made, constituted and appointed, and by these presents do make, constitute and appoint Joseph Ulrich, of San Antonio, Texas, our true and lawful attorney, for us and in our names, place and stead, to attend to all matters relating to services in behalf of the late Republic of Texas, by said William H. Allen and for our use, to ask, demand, sue for, collect and receive all pay due said William H. Allen, and all such sum and sums of money, debts, accounts and other demands whatsoever which are or shall be due, owing, payable and belonging to said William H. Allen, or to us, or either of us, in any manner whatsoever by reason of such services, from the Government of Texas or the United States, or otherwise, and to give receipts therefor, hereby giving and granting unto our said attorney full power and authority to do and perform all and every act and thing whatsoever requisite and necessary to be