The State of Texas
County of Nueces } Know all men by these presents That I Henry Hayes of the County and State aforesaid have this day made constituted and appointed and by these presents do make Constitute and appoint Benjamin F. Neal of the Same County and State my true and lawful attorney for me and in my name to receive from the proper officers of the State of Texas, the bounty land Certificate or warrant and all such sum or sums of money due me on account of arrears of pay, ~~[illegible]~~ for military services rendered the late Republic of Texas or any account whatsoever and generally to do all lawful acts and things whatsoever touching the premises and an attorney or attorneys under him to appoint for the purposes aforesaid, and I do hereby further authorize & empower the said Benjamin F. Neal, in case he should receive from the state of Texas any certificate of debt or Land or bounty warrant that he may dispose of it to the best advantage by sale or otherwise and that all consequences