State of Texas }
Fannin County }

Know all men by these presents that I Elizabeth Bell, Executrix of William H Bell dec'd. hon thos any nom=inated Constituted and appointed, and by these presents do nominate Constitute and appoint James P Dumas my true and lawful attorney in fact, to ask for, demand and receive of the State of Texas all money due and owing to my said decased husband by the Republic of Texas for the transportation of the Mails of the Republic, from Nashville Milam County to Independence in Washington County and such receipts and acquittances to sign in my name as may be usual in such cases — Hereby ratifying and Confirming whatever my said attorney may do in the premises as fully as if I am present, and Consenting to the same

Witness my hand and seal this 6th day of November A.D. 1854.

Elizabeth Bell (Seal)

Filed
A. C. Parrish
Dep. Clerk Austin

The State of Texas } Before me Stephen C. Parrish a Notary
County of Fannin } Public in and for said County personally appeared Elizabeth Bell who to said Notary is well known who acknowledge that she signed the foregoing power of Attorney for the true intent and purposes therein expressed — To Certify which I hereto sign my name and affix my seal this the 6th day of November A.D. 1854

Stephen C Parrish