Know all men by these presents that I, Geo B Leighton of the County of Gilles and State of Texas do hereby constitute appoint and * James R Bridges of the same place to be my true and legal agent and Atty in fact for me and in my name, to transact, attend to, and settle any and all matters concerning lands or land papers and any and all other matters in which I may be interested in any of the Departments at the City of Austin in said State, or to any such matters in which in which I am interested in this or elsewhere in said State; And for the purposes aforesaid I do hereby grant to my said Attorney, full power to execute and deliver all necessary instruments and papers whether under seal or otherwise, to defend any and all suits against me in and about the premises aforesaid, to institute any and all suits necessary in the premises aforesaid and prosecute the same as the necessity of the case may require, to submit any and all matters in dispute to arbitration or to otherwise settle the same, to appoint one or more substitute under him and the same to revoke at pleasure, and generally to do and perform all such matters and things as my said Atty shall deem necessary and expedient in the premises, as fully as I might