Know all men by these Presents that I, William H. Johnson, of Titus County State of Texas ~~as~~ Administrator of the Estate of David Coots deceased do hereby nominate Constitute and appoint Ind M. Smither of the City of Austin my true and lawful agent and attorney in fact, for me and in my name as Deceased Administrator to apply to the Proper Office or Officers of the State of Texas and to have audited the Claim due the Estate of ~~the~~ said David Coots for Military Services rendered the Government of Texas in the Company of Rangers Commanded by Capt Henry Stuart and when so audited to apply to the Treasury of the State and Secure such Sums of money as may be found due the same, and by said attorney is hereby authorized to substitute one or more attorneys to act for him in the premises, hereby ratifying all the acts of of my said attorney by him lawfully done in the premises. To witness which I have hereunto set my hand and seal, this 1st day of November AD 1887.

W. H. Johnson (Seal)

The State of Texas } Before me the undersigned authority
County of Titus } personally came W. H. Johnson whose name appears to the annexed power of attorney and acknowledged that he had executed the same for the use and purpose therein specified.

To Certify which I have hereto set my official seal and signature this 1st day of November AD 1887

[illegible] Clerk
County Court Titus
County Texas