The State of Texas } Know all men
Panola County } by these presents that I James L.
Elliott administrator of Jacob
Cooley late of Panola County in the
State of Texas deceased. desiring
a special confidence in the capacity
& integrity of Jno R Dickinson of
State & County have authorized
& appointed and by these presents
do empower & horize and direct
the s^d Jno R Dickinson as my agent
and attorney in fact, to apply to
the proper authorities at Austin
there demand sue for recover
receive & receipt for seventy five
dollars in money & the land that
may be due Jacob Cooley
late of Panola County dec^d for
three months service on the Northern
Frontier of Texas on a near the Red
River in the Company of Captain
William Beaknald. which has been
audited & allow^d to him, And I
James L Elliott administrator
aforesaid do hereby authorize
& empower the s^d Jno R Dickinson
to do every act & thing that may
be necessary to be done in & about
the recovery of s^d pay in land & in
money that I could do of myself
present. to sign my name to any
receipt or other paper that may be
necessary to the recovery of s^d pay