I John Hershaw liquidating partner of the late firm of D. & J. Hershaw & Co do hereby authorize John M. Swisher Esq to receive from the proper authority of the State of Texas the amount due said firm on certificate of Public debt No 107 - 2d class issued by the auditor and comptroller on the 28th. Feby 1849 for four hundred & thirty five 60/100 dollars - and I authorize my said attorney to sign the necessary receipts, which shall be as binding as if done by myself -

In testimony whereof I hereunto set my hand and seal in Boston this twenty ninth day of March 1853.

John Hershaw

Witness
Benj. H. Currier

State of Massachusetts, }
County of Suffolk } ss

Before me, Benjamin H. Currier, a Commissioner, residing in said County State, appointed by the Governor of the State of Texas, to take the acknowledgment of deeds & other instruments in writing to be used or recorded in the said State of Texas, personally appeared John Hershaw whose name appears subscribed to the foregoing instrument to John M. Swisher, as maker thereof, and who acknowledged and stated to me, that he had executed the same on the day of the date thereof, for the purposes and consideration therein expressed. To certify which, I have