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To all persons to whom these presents shall come Know that I George W. Guthrie, & Mary Guthrie his wife, do hereby nominate, constitute and appoint D. M. Stapp, our true and lawful attorney, & in our name to do & perform all acts as such, and to receive for us & in our names all sums of money due us, or either of us, of the Government of Texas in any manner whatever & fully receipt for the same in our names, & to demand & receive for us & in our names, or for either of us, any kind bounty claim, money or certificate whatever due us or either of us as heir of any one be entitled, or otherwise, & receipt in our names, and to do all other things for us, or either of us, & in our names as fully & completely as if we were personally present hereby ratifying all things to be done by our said attorney, and revoking all other powers by us or either of us heretofore made. In testimony whereof We have hereunto set our hands and seals, using seals for seal this the 26th day of December AD 1853.

Witness
L. Williams
James Dufner

G. W. Guthrie (seal)
Mary x her Guthrie (seal)
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This day personally appeared George W. Guthrie & Mary his wife, grantors in the above power of attorney to D. M. Stapp and acknowledged the same to be their act & deed - & the said Mary being by me, the undersigned Chief Justice of Lavaca County, privately & separately & apart from her said husband declared that she did freely & willingly sign & execute the said power of attorney for the purposes therein contained & desired not to retract it & understands that the same be recorded. Whereupon I have hereunto set my hand & seal as Chief Justice of the County and State aforesd. in the town of Hallettsville this the 26th day of December AD 1853

Joshua E. Martin, Chief J. L. C.