Know all men by these presents that I Samuel Hard of the State of Ohio and formly residing in Texas do hereby constitute and apoint Richard S Vanwey of the State of Ohio and going to reside in Texas My attorney for Me and in My name to demand ask for and receave claims certificates titles to Land or intrest in any way belonging to or coming to Me either in My own name or in the name of My Brother Cyrus Hard formly of Texas (Deceased) and also with full pour to Sue for and obtain the Same in My name And if necessary to take out Letters of Administration and Settle and receave all Lands Moneys and effects belonging to the estate of My Said Brother Cyrus Hard and to Sell and convey all Lands in either way obtained and to do and perform all acts give receipts Receive and pay out Moneys and all other acts Such as Collecting debts coming to Me and receipting for the Same &c &c the Same as I My Self Might do if I was my Self personly present Also I hereby authorise and impose My Said Attorney to demand Sue for and obtain possession of any and all Lots in any Town or City in the State of Texas belonging to Me and in My name to Sell & Convey the Same and receive the pay therefor receipt for monies paid and to do and perform all acts and deeds thereunto pertaining as an attorney in My name to all intents and purposes the Same as I Might do were I there personally present. Also to lift Money in the hands of any person or persons collected for Me and receipt for the Same in My name and to do and perform all other acts not herein enumerated apertaining to any business of mine or claims or intrests coming to Me and to collect by Suit or otherwise give receipts &c the Same as I My Self might do were I there present Hereby ratifying and confirming all the acts of My Said attorney the Same as if I were personly present and did the Same My Self Signd Seald and acknowledged this 30th day of October A D 1848

Witness present Sarah L. Vanwey
N. H. L. Vanwey

Samuel S. Hard (Seal)