Know all men by these Presents, that I Daniel Ratcliffe, of the City and county of Washington, in the District of Columbia, administrator of all and singular the goods and chattels, rights and credits, which were of, and belonging to, Edward S. Ratcliffe, deceased, who died intestate, have made, constituted, and appointed, and by these Presents do make, constitute, and appoint John M. Swither, of the town of Austin, and State of Texas, my true and lawful attorney, for me, and in my name, and for my use, to ask, demand, and receive, of, and from, the proper Officer or Officers, authority or authorities, appointed, or empowered, to settle and pay the same, all such sum or sums of money, or arrearages of pay, still due from the aforesaid State of Texas, and coming, or belonging, unto the said Edward S. Ratcliffe, deceased; giving and granting unto my said Attorney my whole strength and power in the premises, hereby ratifying and confirming all that he, my said Attorney, shall lawfully do by virtue hereof. In Witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal, this twenty second day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty three -

In presence of:

Chas. W. Jackson

Geo W. Cochran

Daniel Ratcliffe (Seal)

Administrator of Edw. S. Ratcliffe dec^d

District of Columbia

City and County of Washington } Be it remembered that on this twenty second day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty three before the undersigned, a Commissioner in and for the said District, appointed by the Governor of the State of Texas, to take the acknowledgement and proof of deeds and other instruments of writing under seal, to be used or recorded in the said State of Texas, and to administer oaths and affirmations, personally appeared Daniel Ratcliffe, party grantor in the foregoing Power of Attorney and acknowledged that he executed the same as his act and deed for the purposes therein mentioned. And I certify that George W. Cochran, of lawful age, the subscribing witness, domiciled in this City and to me personally known, at the request of the aforesaid Grantor