The State of California
County of San Joaquin } Know all men by these presents that I Thomas Harding, a Citizen of the County and State aforesaid, have this day made, Constituted, and appointed, and by these presents, do make, Constitute, and appoint, Thomas H. Kennedy of the City of Austin in the State of Texas, my true and lawful attorney in fact, for me, and in my name, place, and stead, to (represent my Claim) for Services in the Santa Fe Expedition) before the Auditor of the State of Texas, and to receive and Receipt for the Certificate or other evidence of indebtedness which may be awarded by the said Auditor, and also to demand, Collect, receive and Receipt for, any and all moneys that may be due and owing to me from the said State of Texas, by virtue of Services rendered in the Santa Fe Expedition or for Services of any and every Character whatsoever. With full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing requisite and necessary to be done in and about the premises. I hereby ratifying and Confirming all and singular the legal acts and deeds of my said Attorney in the premises, as fully to all intents and purposes as I might or could do if personally present and acting for myself in proper person. In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal (the seal being a scrawl) On this the Twenty Sixth day of September A.D. One Thousand Eight Hundred and fifty Three.

Signed Sealed and delivered
in the presence of } Thos Harding (Seal)

J. S. French,
Benj. F. Lee