

United States of America, }  
State of Maryland. } TO WIT:

Know all Men by these Presents, That *Mr Josiah Small and George Ruckle* of the City of Baltimore in the State of Maryland, Copartners, *trans* acting business in the name of *Small & Ruckle*

have made, constituted, and appointed, and by these presents do make, constitute, and appoint *The Hon<sup>ble</sup> David S. Kaufman*, of Sabine County in the State of Texas to be our true and Lawful Attorney, for us to act as and be our agent in the prosecution of our claim or claims of every description before the Auditor and Comptroller of Texas, and in our behalf to receive, and Receipt for any such Receipt or Certificate of their presentation or adjustment as the said Auditor and Comptroller, or any other duly authorized person or persons may grant.

and to do all other lawful acts and things whatsoever concerning the premises, as fully, and in every respect as *we* might or could do, were *we* personally present at the doing thereof, and attornies one or more, under *him* for the purposes aforesaid, to make, and again at *his* pleasure to revoke, ratifying and confirming, and by these presents allowing whatsoever *our* said attorney shall in *our* name lawfully do, or cause to be done; in and about the premises by virtue of these presents.

In Witness Whereof, *We* have hereunto set *our* hand's and seal's this *Sixth* day of *March* one thousand eight hundred and *forty nine*

Signed and Sealed, }  
in presence of }

*Saml. Farnandis*  
*George Tyson*

*Josiah Small*  
*Geo Ruckle*

Be it Known, that on the day and year above written, before me, *John Patrick* NOTARY PUBLIC, by LETTERS PATENT, under the Great Seal of the State of Maryland, commissioned and duly qualified, residing in the City of Baltimore, in the State aforesaid, personally appeared *Mr Josiah Small, and George Ruckle* above named and acknowledged the foregoing letter of attorney, or instrument of writing, to be *their* act and deed according to the true intent and meaning thereof.

In Testimonium Veritatis.

*John Patrick*

Notary Public.