Know all men by these presents that I James Smith of Henderson, Rusk County State of Texas for value received and in consideration of One Dollar to me in hand paid by Archibald H Lowery of the City and state of New York the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged do hereby sell assign transfer and set over unto the said Lowery any and all claims and demands in my favor against the state of Texas, or the government thereof, or any department of the same, for or by reason of any matter or thing whatever, together with all certificates issued or to be issued therefor by the said state or the auditor, comptroller or other officer thereof To Have and To Hold the same unto said Archibald H. Lowery to and for his sole and proper use and without account therefor: and the said Archibald H. Lowery is hereby made constituted and appointed my true and lawful attorney irrevocable with full power and authority to receive from the said state of Texas or the Auditor, Comptroller or other officer of said state any and all certificates or other instruments issued or to be issued for my claim against said state aforesaid and to collect and receive the whole amount