State of Texas } Know all men by these presents
County of Bexar } that I Geo Van Ness of said State and County have made nominated constituted and appointed and by these presents do make nominate constitute and appoint Jas L Lucheart of the aforesaid State and County my true and lawful attorney for me and in my name to ask for and apply to the proper authority created by law or by any agreed upon Board or authority ~~agreed upon~~ between the United States and the State of Texas for the payment of the public debt of Texas and to receive from said Board or authority the amount allowed me by the Legislature of said State under an act passed by said Legislature in 1850 for my services while a Prisoner in Mexico both in the Santa Fé expedition & when captured by Genl Adrian Woll in 1842 together with the amount due me for horses arms &c and I further authorize and empower my said Attorney to procure witnesses and to do all and every thing that may be necessary in getting my claim audited against said State for my services while one of the Santa Fé & San Antonio Prisoners. To give receipts discharges &c for me and in my name as effectually and fully were I personally present at the doing thereof. Hereby ratifying and confirming all the acts and doings of my Attorney in the premises. Witness my hand and Scrawl for Seal in San Antonio this 14th of March 1850

Erasures & interlineations made before signing

Geo. Van Ness

Witness James L Lucheart