State of Texas }
Harris County } Know all men by these presents that I Lewis P Whiting of the county and state aforesaid (one of the heirs at law of the late Doctor Hervey Whiting now deceased) reposing full confidence in Benjamin E Roper of same county and state, have made constituted and appointed and by these presents do make constitute and appoint the said Benjamin E Roper my true and lawful attorney, for me and in my name and for my use, to ask demand, sue for and recover and receive all such sum or sums of money debts and other demands whatsoever which is or shall be due, owing, payable and belonging to me by any manner or means whatsoever. especially authorising my said attorney to proceed to Austin and there and there to settle with the proper officers of the State of Texas all debts and demands that may be due and owing to me as one of the heirs at law of the late Hervey Whiting secured by the said State of Texas, and to take such means for the settlement of the same as he may think fit and proper & for any and all such sums of money received full and sufficient discharges for me and in my name to make. Giving and granting to my said Attorney by these presents my whole strength, power and authority in and about the premises to have, take and use all lawful ways and means in my name for the purposes aforesaid. And generally all and every other act or acts, thing or things, device or devices in the law whatsoever, needful and necessary to be done in and-