Republic of Texas
Galveston County

Know all men by these presents that I John H. Allen late acting Gunner in the Texas Navy. Me good and sufficient causes hereto moving have appointed and by these Presents do constitute and appoint F. T. Wills Purser of the Texas Navy my true and lawful Attorney for me and in my name to apply for and receive from the Govt of Texas or the proper Officers thereof all & every sum or sums of money that may be due me for services in the Texas Navy, and for which there has been or may be an appropriation by the Laws of the Republic of Texas. Authorizing him to do all and every thing necessary to be done in order to obtain the same, authorizing him for me & in my name to receive and receipt for the same Hereby ratifying & confirming all and every thing that my said Attorney may do for me and in my name in the premises

Given under my hand adding a scroll for my seal this 12th Feb 1844

Witness D H Lerish
Wm Oliver
Benj. C. Franklin

John H his mark Allen