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Know all men by these presents, that I Milton A. Hardin of the City and County of Galveston and State of Texas, for divers good reasons and Considerations having especial confidence and good faith in the honor and integrity of the Hon: Elisha M. Pease of the City of Austin and State aforesaid, do hereby nominate, constitute and appoint the said Elisha M. Pease my true and lawful Attorney for me, and in my Stead to demand, and receive from the legally constituted Officers of the Treasy Department of the State of Texas at the City of Austin aforesaid, any and all money, bonds or Scrip which may be found to be due me under the Acts of the Legislature of the State of Texas, dated Aug. 13th 1870, and April 21st 1874, granting Pensions to the Soldiers for their Services in the War which Seperated Texas from Mexico &c &c

And I further, and fully authorise the said Elisha M. Pease, my Attorney as aforesaid, upon the adjustment and payment of the money, bonds or Scrip which may be found due me by the Treasy Officers aforesaid, and which payment shall have been made to him as my Attorney aforesaid, then, in that Case for me and my place to sign, execute and deliver to the said Treasy Officer or Officers any such release, receipt or Instrument of writing as may be required to protect the said Treasy Department, which shall be as valid as if I were personally present, and done the same with my own hand. In witness I hereunto set my hand and Scroll for Seal this 17th day of September 1874 at Galveston.

Witness S. E. Edmonson
J. A. H. Cleveland

Milton A. Hardin Seal