Know all men by these presents, that I, John A. Cummings of Fayette County and State of Pennsylvania German have made, constituted and appointed and by these presents do make constitute and appoint and in my place and stead put and depute, Charles Mason and W. D. Miller Esquires of the City of Austin and State of Texas, my true and lawful attorneys, for me and in my name and for my use to act as my agents to prosecute a claim or claims I have against the late Republic of Texas, to present, prosecute and adjust the same before the Auditor and Comptroller, and to receive and receipt for the proper certificates or evidence of settlement. Giving and granting unto my said attorneys, by these presents my full and whole power, strength and authority in and about the premises, to have, use and take all lawful ways and means in my name, for the purposes aforesaid, and generally, all and every other act or acts, thing and things, deed and devices, in the law, whatsoever, needful and necessary to be done, in and about the premises, for me and in my name, to do, execute and perform, as fully, largely and amply, to all intents and purposes as myself might or could do if personally present, and attorneys are or more under there for the purposes aforesaid, to make and constitute, and again at pleasure to revoke.

Hereby ratifying, allowing