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County of Colorado}

Know all men by these presence that I, Basil J Gidney, of the County aforesaid have this day nominated and appointed Willard Washburn my true and lawfull attorney for me and in my name to act in receiving from the General Land office patents for the following tracts of land (viz) for one third of a League situated in the County of Colorado on the head of the Sandies and granted to Basil J Gidney as his head right By the Board of land commissioners of Brazoria County, and certificate No. 237 also ~~to~~ for one tract of land for three hundred and twenty acres, situated about eight miles North ~~west~~ East of Columbus, granted to said Gidney By virtue of Land warrant No 3637 and dated April the 25th 1838 and also to receive all monies that may be coming to me from the Treasurer, at to have all my accounts audited and to receive the auditor drafts for the same and to receipt in Each of the Departments of the government, the same as if I were personally present and I further more acknowledge all his acts in the above copy to be as binding on me as if I were personally present, in witness I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my seal this the twentieth day of December one thousand eight hundred and forty one

Basil J Gidney (Seal)