Republic of Texas } Know all men by these presents
County of Galveston } that I John Sutton of the
City of Galveston in said Republic have made
constituted and appointed and by these presents
do make constitute and appoint R. J. Stephens
my true and lawful attorney for me and in
my name but for my use to settle and make
and receive from the proper officers of the
Republic of Texas my and all such sum
or sums of money that now are or may
hereafter be due and owing to me from the Govern=
=ment for services rendered as gunner on
board the sloop of War Austin giving and grant=
=ing unto my said attorney my whole strength
power and authority in the premises to make
sue and release all receipts discharges and
other sufficient acquittances needful and ne=
=cessary in my name thereby ratifying and
confirming all and every the lawful acts of my
said attorney in the premises as fully and firmly
as if I myself were personally present and act=
=ing. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my
hand and affixed my seal for same this the
27th day of November A.D. 1844

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J. Sutton Seal

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