Know all men by these presents [illegible]
[illegible] of
Texas have constituted and appointed, and by these
presents do constitute and appoint John Beal my
true and lawful attorney for me and in my name
and in my behalf to make application to the proper
officers at the city of Austin in the Republic of
Texas and receive all claims for services rendered
the said Republic of Texas whether they be in land
pay or otherwise and also in my name to execute
the necessary receipts for the same hereby ratifying
and confirming of all & singular the acts and
things of him my said attorney in the premises.

Signed and sealed this 24th day of August 1840

Test

M. B. Shackelford

W. L. Thomson

Wm. W. Bell

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