Know all men by these presents that I Benjamin H Merrill of the County of Fannin and State of Texas have made constituted & appointed and by these presents do constitute & appoint L. C. Lillisle of Bonham County & State aforesaid my true & lawful agent and attorney for me and in my name place and stead to adjust fully and collect all claims due & coming to me from the State of Texas for services rendered by me as private in Capt Wood's Company of Rangers Col Johnsons Regiment mustered into service at Bonham Texas April 10th 1860 and continuing in service untill discharged giving & granting unto my said atty full power and authority to and perform all and every act and thing what soever requisite and necessary to be done in and about the premises as fully and to all intents & purposes, as I might as could do if personally present, with full power of substitution making this power irrevocable hereby ratifying and confirming all that my said attorney or his substitute shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof. In witness whereof I hereto set my hand & seal for said this 8th day of Decr 1860

attest

Saml J Galloway

R. S. Hunt

B. H. Merrill (Seal)

The State of Texas }
County of Fannin } Before me Saml J Galloway Clerk of the County Court of said County ~~do hereby certify that B. H. Merrill~~ this day personally appeared B. H. Merrill, to me well known, and acknowledged that he executed the foregoing power of attorney for the consideration and purposes therein set forth and expressed Given under my hand

and Seal of office at Donnam
this the 8th day of December 1860
Saml: J Galbraith
Clk. C.C.T. Co. Tyrone

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