Simpson M.A.R. & husband To Jas. D. Leper.

The State of Texas } Know all men by these presents,
Rusk County } that we Mary Ann. Rebecca Simpson and Jeptha Simpson her husband residing in said County and State have appointed and do by these presents nominate constitute and appoint James D. Leper of Shelby County Alabama our true and lawful attorney for us and in our names to make executed and deliver to the purchaser a deed conveying all the right title interest claim and demand which we have in and to the following described lands lying in said Shelby County Alabama Viz: A part of Section 16 in Township Twenty one Range One West described as follows to wit: Beginning at the North East corner of said Section following the North line of said Section to the top of the main ridge West - thence in a South Westerly direction along the top of said ridge to the mouth of Flat Creek where it empties into Waxahatchie Creek - thence down said Waxahatchie Creek on the Eastern bank to the South line of Section Sixteen aforesaid - thence East to the corner of said Section Sixteen thence North to the place of beginning containing Three Hundred acres more or less. Our interest in said lands being in right of said Mary Ann Rebecca Simpson as an

heir at law of John Schofield deceased late of said County of Shelby and who died seized and possessed of said land authorizing and empowering said James S. Leeper to bind us in said deeds by all proper covenants and to receive our part of the purchase money of said lands and we hereby bind ourselves to satisfy and confirm whatever our said Attorney may lawfully do in the premises.

Witness our hands and seals this 4th day of January 1881.

J. H. Simpson, (Seal)
Mary Ann Rebecca Simpson, (Seal)

State of Texas } I, Geo. F. Ross J. P. and Ex officio
County of Rusk } Notary Public Rusk County Texas hereby certify that Mary Ann Rebecca Simpson and Jeptha Simpson whose names are signed to the foregoing conveyance and who are known to me acknowledged before me on this day that being informed of the contents of the conveyance they executed the same volumtarily on the day the same bears date.

Given under my hand this 4th day of January AD 1881.

Geo. F. Ross, J. P.
& Ex officio Notary Public,
Rusk County Texas,

Filed for record June 11th 1887 and recorded,
James S. Leeper Judge of Probate.