

tested and gainfayed by a certain N. N. and now is depending under litigation, before our commissary general and judge for probate of wills, in our prerogative court; and whereas it hath been represented to us, that there is great danger of waste of the effects of the deceased, for want of a due administration being granted; to the end therefore that the goods, chattels, and other effects of the deceased, being within this province, may be secured, and duly preserved to the use and behoof of the said D. E. his legal representatives, and others, who have a right and interest therein, we do therefore hereby appoint and authorise you the aforesaid A. B. during the contest aforesaid, to administer on, secure and collect, all and singular the effects of the said D. E. whether it be goods or chattels, debts or credits, wheresoever the same shall be found within this province, and to make or cause to be made, a true and perfect inventory thereof, to be by you exhibited into the office for probate of wills and granting administrations, at Annapolis, with all convenient speed, and also to render unto our judge for probate of wills &c. for the time being, a true and just account of your proceedings therein, within twelve months, from the date of these presents at farthest; and lastly we do hereby constitute and appoint you the said A. B. administrator