8½ sides — 6½ d. Stamp to be charged

Know all Men by these Presents, That I Daniel Cheston late of the Kingdom of Great Brittain, but now of Baltimore Town in the State of Maryland Merchant Sole Assignee legally Chosen of the Estate and Effects of William Stephenson late of the City of Bristol in the Kingdom of Great Brittain, but now of Kent County in the said State — Merchant — under and by Virtue of a Commission of Bankrupt, which hath been some time since Awarded and Issued forth against him the said William Stephenson, Have made Ordained, Constituted, Authorized and Appointed, and by these Presents Do make, Ordain, Constitute, Authorize and Appoint James Cheston of Ann Arundel County in the State of Maryland Merchant, to be my true and lawful Attorney for me and in my Name, and to and for my use (as Sole Assignee as aforesaid) to Ask, Demand, Sue for, Recover and Receive of and from all and every Person and Persons whatsoever in the State of Maryland, whom it doth, shall or may Concern his, her and their and each and every of their Heirs, Executors and Administrators, every Debt and Debts dues, Sum and Sums of Money, Accounts Current, Accounts of Sales, Accounts Stated Writings, Papers, and Effects whatsoever which now is or are, or hereafter shall or may be due, Owing, Coming, payable or belonging to me, (as Sole Assignee as aforesaid) of the Estate and Effects of the said William Stephenson, upon any Account Score or Reckoning whatsoever, And for me and in my Name (as Sole Assignee as aforesaid) to Settle, Liquidate, Ballance, Inspect into, State and fully and finally Adjust, and if need be, refer or Submit to Reference or Arbitration all or any Accounts, Reckonings or Disputes touching the Premises or in any wise Relating to the Estate or Effects of the said William Stephenson, and in Case of Non Payment, Non-Delivery, or in default of giving or making Satisfaction in the Premises to my said Attorney for me and in my Name (as Sole Assignee as aforesaid) to Sue, Arrest, Imprison, Implead Attach and Prosecute all or any of the Person or Persons as aforesaid or his, their or any of their Estate or Estates either Real or personal for the Recovery or Obtaining the same, or any part thereof, and to proceed to Judgment and Execution of such Suit or Suits, According to the Laws and Customs of the State of Maryland, And also to Compound or make Composition by accepting a part for the whole, as to my said Attorney shall seem most for the Advantage of the said Bankrupts Estate, And on payment delivery or Satisfaction made to my said Attorney in the Premises for me and in my Name (as Sole Assignee as aforesaid) to make, Seal and Execute all such proper Receipts Releases and Acquittances and other Discharges as the Nature of the Case or respective Cases may or shall require, and to Acknowledge Satisfaction on Record or otherwise And one Attorney or more under my said Attorney for all or any of the purposes aforesaid with the like or less powers than are hereby given from time to time to make and Substitute, and the same at pleasure to Revoke, And Generally to do, perform and Execute all and every such further and other lawful and reasonable Acts, Matters, Devices and things whatsoever as shall be needful or Expedient to be done and performed in and about the Premises respectively, and that as fully and Effectually to all intents and purposes as I my self might or Could do, if I was personally present Giving and by these presents granting unto my said Attorney his Substitute and Substitutes my full and lawful power and Authority in the Premises, and all and whatsoever my said Attorney his Substitute or Substitutes or any or either of them shall lawfully do or Cause to be done in and about the Premises by Virtue of these Presents I do hereby Allow, own, Ratify and Confirm

In Witness whereof I the said Daniel Cheston have hereunto Set my Hand and Seal this twenty Second day of April in the year of our Lord Seventeen hundred and Eighty five.

Sealed and delivered by the above named Daniel Cheston, In the presence of ..... Thos Langton, Wm Young —

Daniel Cheston (Seal)