

**K** NOW all Men by these Presents that I *James Gibbons*  
*late a Soldier in the Pennsylvania line*

in the service of the United States of America for a valuable and full consideration to me in hand paid at or before the execution hereof by *Gideon Merckel Dauphin* the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, have and by these presents do grant bargain sell release transfer and assign unto him his heirs executors administrators and assigns for ever All the right title interest property claim and demand which I now have or which I my heirs executors or administrators may at any time hereafter have to all and singular the lands pay arrearages of pay, cloathing, rations, rewards, bounties, gratuities, prize monies and other demands due and owing to me from the United States or from any particular state. And I do hereby for myself my heirs executors and administrators covenant and agree to and with the said *Gideon Merckel* and to his heirs executors administrators and assigns that I my heirs executors and administrators shall and will at any time or times hereafter at the request cost & charges of him his heirs executors administrators and assigns make seal execute and deliver or cause or procure to be made sealed executed and delivered all and every such reasonable act and acts thing and things conveyance and conveyances assurance and assurances in the law for the perfect granting conveying releasing transferring and assigning all the right title interest property claim and demand which I now have or which I my heirs executors or administrators may at any time hereafter have, of in and to all and singular the lands and other the premises hereby granted and assigned unto him his heirs executors administrators and assigns forever as by his or their counsel learned in the law shall be reasonably advised devised or required. And I do hereby make constitute and appoint the said *Gideon Merckel*

my true and lawful Attorney irrevocably, to ask, demand, recover, and receive, of and from the United States or from any particular state, or from any person or persons acting by, from, or under their or either of their Authority, all and singular the lands, pay, arrearages of pay, cloathing rations, rewards, bounties, gratuities, prize monies and other demands due owing, payable and belonging to me or detained from me by any manner of ways or means whatsoever and upon receipt thereof to execute and deliver sufficient and requisite receipts releases and acquitances for the same and by good and sufficient conveyances and assurances in the law, to grant, bargain, sell, release and confirm the said lands to the purchaser or purchasers thereof, his, her, or their heirs and assigns for ever. And also to sell, assign and transfer all certificates and registered or other stock now or hereafter standing in *my* name in the books of the treasury of the United States, or of any particular State, for or in consequence of *my* services as aforesaid, with power au attorney or attorneys under him for the purposes aforesaid to make, and substitute and to do all lawful acts requisite for effecting the premises as fully and effectually to all intents and purposes as I might or could do by being personally present and to have done the same, hereby allowing ratifying and confirming all and whatsoever my said attorney or his Substitute or Substitutes shall or may do, or cause to be done therein by virtue hereof. IN WITNESS whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this *fourth* day of *March* in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred and Ninety *four*

Sealed and Delivered in  
the presence of us }

*James Lee*

*Arnold Colth*

*James Gibbons*

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**B**E it Known, that on the day of the Date hereof, before me *the subscriber one of the*  
*Justices for Luzerne County in the State of Pennsylvania*

Personally came the above named  
and acknowledged the above Deed, Poll and Letter of Attorney to be *his* Act and Deed.

(Seal) In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Seal the *fourth*  
day of *March* in the year of our Lord one thousand  
seven hundred and Ninety *four*

*Arnold Colth*

*David Kelly*

Donation Land

*David Gibson for*