

**K**NOW all MEN by these Presents, that I *Edward Thompson*

*Thompson in Genl. I have been in the service of the United States for a considerable time and have paid*

Have constituted, made and appointed, and by these Presents do constitute, make and appoint my trusty and loving Friend *John Smith* of *Berkshire County* my true and lawful Attorney, for me, and in my Name and Stead, and to my Use, to ask, demand, sue for, levy, recover and receive, all such Sum and Sums of Money, Debts, Rents, Goods, Wares, Dues, Accounts, and other Demands whatsoever, which are or shall be due, owing, payable, and belonging to me, or detained from me any Manner of Ways or Means whatsoever by *the United States or any State for*

*our Service rendered as aforesaid and further do authorize said Attorn to receive all our pay and all other moneys whatsoever for our Service rendered as aforesaid and also to sell and mortgage titles for the same as if I was personally present*

giving and granting unto my said Attorney, by these Presents, my full and whole Powers, Strength and Authority, in and about the Premises, to have, use and take, all lawful Ways and Means in my Name for the Recovery thereof, and upon the Receipt of any such Debts, Dues, or Sums of Money aforesaid, Acquittances, or other sufficient Discharges, for me, and in my Name, to make, seal and deliver; and generally all and every other Act and Acts, Thing and Things, Device or Devices, in the Law whatsoever, needful and necessary to be done in and about the Premises, for me, and in my Name, to do, execute and perform, as fully, largely and amply, to all Intents and Purposes, as I myself might or could do, if I was personally present, or as if the Matter required more special Authority than is herein given; and Attorneys one or more under *their* for the Purpose aforesaid, to make and constitute, and again at Pleasure to revoke; ratifying, allowing and holding, for firm and effectual, all and whatsoever my said Attorney shall lawfully do in and about the Premises, by Virtue hereof. IN WITNESS

whereof I have hereunto set my Hand and Seal, this *eight* Day of *November* in the *14<sup>th</sup>* Year of American Independence, Annoque Domini, One Thousand Seven Hundred and *Nintye*

Sealed and delivered in the Presence of us

*John Smith*  
*Edward Thompson*

*October 27 1789*  
*Edw Thompson*

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