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Know all Men by these Presents, That I William A Brooks of the county of Ripley, State of Missouri, do hereby make, constitute and appoint J. VANCE LEWIS, of Washington, D. C., my true and lawful Attorney, giving to my said Attorney full power for me and in my name, place and stead, to select, make application for me and in my name, to sign said application, and to locate at any Land Office in the United States any land that I may be entitled to enter under the provisions of Section 2306 of the Revised Statutes of the United States, under which I am entitled to enter 120 acres in addition to my 40 acres of homestead. 5 1/2 of SW 1/4 + 7 SW 1/4 of SE 1/4 Sec 11 T. 21. R. 57 West

And I further authorize and empower my said Attorney to receive the Duplicate Certificate of such entry, and to demand, receive and receipt for the Patent that may be issued by the United States Government for said Land :

Granting and giving my said Attorney full power to appoint a substitute, and hereby ratifying and confirming each and every act which my said Attorney or his substitute may do or cause to be done in the premises by virtue of these presents.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal, this 18<sup>th</sup> day of May, A. D., 1882

William A Brooks 

Signed, sealed and delivered in presence of—  
[TWO WITNESSES.]

Napoleon G. Brooks  
Solomon W. Brooks

State of Missouri }  
County of Ripley } SS:

On this 18<sup>th</sup> day of May, A. D. 1882, before me, Clerk of the Circuit Court, personally appeared William A Brooks known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal, the day and year first above written.

A. J. McCallum Clerk  
Circuit Court Ripley Cos Mo