

Know all Men by these presents, that I James Henry residing in Lenoxholm in the County of Roxburgh Husband of Margaret Cumming alias Henry also residing there, Considering that by Power of Attorney dated Twenty November eighteen hundred and fifteen and proved before the Lord Provost of the City of Edinburgh on the thirtieth day of the same month and year, granted by the said Margaret Cumming alias Henry my Wife, and by John Cumming her Brother residing in Edinburgh and Christian Cumming alias Black Widow of James Black late Butcher in Edinburgh her Sister also residing in Edinburgh, on the narrative that Richard Cumming late of the City of Alexandria in the District of Virginia or Columbia in the United States of North America, deceased, their Brother was at the time of his death possessed of Property to a considerable amount, and that the said Richard Cumming died intestate and that the said John Cumming Christian Cumming alias Black and Margaret Cumming alias Henry my Wife were as his nearest surviving relatives entitled to all of which he was possessed at the time of his death, and also considering that the said John Cumming, Christian Cumming alias Black, and Margaret Cumming alias Henry my Wife, thereby Made, constituted and appointed John Laird Merchant of the City of Georgetown in the District of Columbia in the said United States of North America to be their true and lawful attorney for them the said John Cumming, Christian Cumming alias Black and Margaret Cumming alias Henry and in their name and to and for their use to ask, demand, sue for, recover and receive all sums of money, debts, Goods and Effects, whatsoever and also all Lands, Hereditaments, Mortgages or other real Estate as were should or might be due, owing or belonging to them as Heirs of the said deceased Richard Cumming, from, by, or in the hands, custody or power of any Person or Persons whomsoever in the said United States of North America by any way or means whatsoever, To establish proper Titles in their Persons to the said Lands or other real Estate belonging to them, To enter into possession, manage, sell, and dispose thereof

and to make, grant and deliver all proper Deeds and conveyances relative to the said Lands, Hereditaments, Mortgages or other real Estate and upon receipt of the debts and sums of money due to them or any part thereof, to give, sign, seal and execute full, absolute and sufficient acquittances, Releases and Discharges for the same accordingly, To commence and prosecute in their name all necessary suits and actions at Law, recover, Secures and put the same to execution, and to take and pursue all other proper and necessary measures which their said attorney or his substitutes should be advised or think fit for recovery of all, sums of Money, Debts, Goods and Effects as aforesaid, and to compound, settle and agree for, and in respect of the Premises as the nature, circumstances and exigencies of the case might be or should require, and to refer to arbitration any disputes or difference that might arise in relation thereto and abide by and perform such award or awards as should be made therein; and also if needful to appoint one or more attorney or attorneys under him the said John Laird, for all or any of the purposes therein contained and the same again at pleasure to revoke; And generally to do perform and execute all and every Act, Deed, Matter and Thing whatsoever needful or necessary to be done in or about the premises as fully ample and effectually to all Intents and Purposes as they the said John Cumming, Christian Cumming alias Black and Margaret Cumming alias Henry could a might have done if personally present, Promising thereby, to allow, satisfy and confirm all and whatsoever the said John Laird and his substitutes should lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of the said Power of Attorney, declaring that the said John Laird should so soon as the said Estate and Effects of the said deceased Richard Cumming were recovered by him, render just count and Reckoning for his Intromissions and remit the same recovered by him to Benjamin Greig Esquire Merchant in Glasgow, for behoof of the said John Cumming, Christian Cumming alias Black and Margaret Cumming alias Henry, after deducting all necessary and proper charges, and Considering that in order to the recovery of the part of the said deceased Richard Cumming's Effects falling to the share of the said Margaret Cumming alias Henry my Wife and to me as her Husband, it is necessary that I should now grant these presents, therefore know ye that I the said James Henry have made, constituted and appointed and do hereby make, constitute and

appoint the said John Laird Merchant of the City of Georgetown in the District of Columbia in the United States of North America to be my true and lawful Attorney for the purposes and with all the Powers specified in the foresaid Power of Attorney granted by the said John Cumming Christian Cumming alias Black and Margaret Cumming alias Henry my wife, and particularly before named, and further I hereby ratify, approve and confirm the foresaid Power of Attorney granted by the said John Cumming Christian Cumming alias Black, and Margaret Cumming alias Henry in so far as the said Margaret Cumming alias Henry my wife was a party thereto and declare that it shall be as valid and effectual for all the purposes therein mentioned as if I had signed the same, providing always that the said John Laird shall hold just Count and Reckoning to the said Margaret Cumming alias Henry my wife and me, for our share of the same subjects or Effects that may be recovered in consequence of the said original or of this supplementary Power of Attorney. In Witness Whereof I the said James Henry have hereunto set my hand and seal at Edinburgh the fifth day of June One thousand eight hundred and sixteen and of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord George the third by the grace of God King of Great Britain and Ireland, Defender of the faith &c. the Fifty sixth year, 1816

Signed, Sealed and Delivered being
just duly stamped according to the laws
of this Country, In presence of
George Black Witnesses
James King Witnesses

James Henry

The above named George Black Merchant in Edinburgh and James King Farmer at Tonholme in the County of Roxburgh, the subscribing Witnesses to the execution of the foresaid Power of Attorney by the said James Henry being solemnly sworn, examined and interrogated, make oath and say, that they were present and did see the within and above named James Henry sign, seal, execute and of his own act and Deed deliver the said Letter or Power of Attorney, and that the names of George Black and James King set or subscribed thereto are of the proper hand-writing of the

Witnesses

Deponents respectively: And they do further make oath that it consists with their knowledge that the said James Henry is the Husband of the within mentioned Margaret Cumming. Sworn before me this fifth day of June one thousand eight hundred and sixteen years

Kincaid Mackenzie Esq.
Acting Chief Magistrate

To all and sundry to whose knowledge these presents shall come, I Kincaid Mackenzie first Bailie, and in absence of the Right Honorable William Muthart Lord Provost, Acting Chief Magistrate of the City of Edinburgh, in that part of Great Britain called Scotland, do hereby certify and attest, that this day personally came and appeared before me the persons mentioned in the above written Affidavit, and made oath and deposed that the several Matters, Facts and Things mentioned and contained in the above written Affidavit are true, as also that at same time the said James Henry appeared before me and made oath that he is the Husband of Margaret Cumming within named. In faith and testimony of the premises I have ordered the Seal of the said City to be hereunto appended this fifth day of June 1816 years

Kincaid Mackenzie Esq.
Acting Chief Magistrate