

To All to whom these Presents shall come Othinell Davis and Thomas Porter of the Island of Providence mariners now residing in the Province of South Carolina Greeting Whereas the Said Othinell Davis is purposed to proceed a Voyage beyond the Seas in the Sloop Mexico Cruiser and hath obtained a Commission from the Hon^{ble} Robert Johnson Esq^r Govern^r of the Province afores^d to Seize take Sell burn and destroy the Subjects of the King of Spain their Vessels and Effects and whereas by Virtue of a Commission from his Excellency Wm Rogers Esq^r Govern^r of the Bahama Islands the Said Othinell Davis and his Mariners have hitherto taken and Seized a Ship called Nuestra Señora De La Assumptio laden with Cocoa late belonging to the Subjects of the King of Spain and with a certain Sloop called the Movill Trader which said Ship is yett at Sea or sailed unto some Port to the Said Othinell Davis unknown, and whereas the said Thomas Porter is Entitled to an Equal Share number of Share with the Said Davis in the Said Ship Now know Ye that the Said Othinell Davis and Thomas Porter for Divers Good Causes & Considerations thereunto moving have made ordain'd Constituted and appointed and by these Presents do make ordain Constitute and Appoint and in their Stead and Place Put William Gibson and Andrew Allen of the Province of S^c Carolina Merch^{ts} their true and Lawfull Attorneys Joyntly and either of them Severally for them and in their names and to their use its use demand due for never and never of and from all and all manner of Persons whatsoever all such Sum or Sums of money as are to them due owing or belonging and also for them and in their names on the behalf of themselves and Mariners in the Court of Vice Admiralty to constitute Doctors, to Enter into Cautionary Bonds or Recognizance a Lie to Exhibit and to Judgment and Condemnation to Inveig against the Said Ship called Nuestra Señora De La Assumptio and against all other ^{& other} Vessels belonging to the King of Spain or his Subjects which shall hereafter be taken or Seized by the Said Othinell Davis or Thomas Porter and their Mariners by Virtue of the Commission afores^d and when any ^{& such} Ship or Vessel shall be condemned to Expire to Sale and for their use to receive their Share or Shares of the Monies arising from the Sale thereof being and by these Presents Granting unto their said Attorneys Joyntly or either of them Severally all their full Power and Authority Concerning the Premises and up unto to continue and prosecute in their Names and Lawfull action or actions suit or suits in any Court or Courts for the recovery of all or any part of the Premises and on Receipt thereof to give such Acquittances or Discharges as shall be needfull and one Attorney or more under them Joyntly or either of them Severally to make Substitute and receive in any

part or parts Harbour or harbours beyond the Sea Provided nevertheless
 that they do for them and for their Name constitute and appoint
 William Pickens and Benjamin Whitaker Esq^s and no other persons
 W^m Pickens to be their Proctors in of Court of Vice Admiralty and their
 Attorneys in all other Courts whatsoever within the Province of South Carolina
 and further ^{giving full} power and authority to their said Attorneys jointly and each
 of them severally, jointly to do Execute prosecute and perform all and
 every such further and other act and acts thing and things as shall
 be needfull in and about the Premises as fully and Effectually as they
 themselves might or could do if personally present Holding and Attorney
 for firm and Effectual all and whatsoever their S^t Attorneys jointly
 and either of them severally their or either of their Substitute or Assigns
 shall lawfully do or cause to be done in and about the Premises by
 Virtue hereof In Witness whereof the S^t Othnell Davis and Thomas
 Porter have hereunto set their hands and seals the day of
 September in the first year of y^e Reign of our Sovereign Lord George
 by the Grace of God of Great Britain France and Ireland King Defender
 of the Faith Anno Dom 1719

Given & delivered in the

Presence of

John Sheppard
 Josuah Lancaster

John Carolina

Othnell Davis
 Thomas Porter

On this 26th day of November Anno Dom 1719
 personally came and appeared before me Thomas Hepworth Esq^r
 one of his Majesties Justices assigned to keep the Peace for County
 Locusts Mr. John Sheppard and Mr. Josuah Lancaster the Evidence
 do the within Power of Attorney who being severally sworn on the Holy
 Evangelists of Almighty God say & either of them faith that they and each
 of them were present and did for Othnell Davis and Thomas Porter
 the Constituent sign Seal and as their and each of their Acts and
 Needs believe the same

Sworne before me
 Hepworth

Record: of 4 Dec^r 1719

Edw^d Croft

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