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[Letters of Administration]

The People of the State of New-York, by the Grace of God

Free and Independent: To James Sandford of Antwerp in the County of Oswego of the town of Oswego of said county

send GREETING:

WHEREAS the said Joseph Sandford

as is alleged, lately died intestate, having whilst living, and at the time of his death, goods, chattels, or credits within this state, by means whereof the ordering and granting administration of all and singular the said goods, chattels and credits; and also the auditing, allowing, and finally discharging the account thereof, doth appertain unto us; and we, being desirous that the goods, chattels and credits of the said deceased may be well and faithfully administered, applied and disposed of, do grant unto you the said James Sandford and George Fisher - full

power by these presents, to administer and faithfully dispose of all and singular the said goods, chattels and credits, to ask, demand, recover and receive the debts, which unto the said deceased, whilst living, and at the time of his death did belong, and to pay the debts which the said deceased did owe, so far as such goods, chattels and credits will thereto extend, and the law require; Hereby requiring you to make, or cause to be made, a true and perfect inventory of all and singular the goods, chattels and credits of the said deceased, which have or shall come to your hands, possession or knowledge, and the same to make, to exhibit, or cause to be exhibited into the office of the Surrogate of the said county of Oswego at or before the expiration of six calendar months from the date hereof; and also to render a just and true account of administration when thereunto required; And we do by these Presents, depute, constitute and appoint you the said James Sandford and George Fisher

Administrators of all and singular the goods, chattels and credits which were of the said Joseph Sandford deceased at the time of his death

In testimony whereof, we have caused the Seal of Office of our said Surrogate to be hereunto affixed.

WITNESS Joseph W Helme Esquire, Surrogate of the said county, at Oswego on the twenty second day of December - in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty second and of our Independences the fifty

second Joseph W Helme Surrogate

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Joseph W Helme Surrogate

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