

THE STATE OF Mississippi } ss.:
County of Hancock

Before Me, J. W. Winningham - - - - - Judge of the Court
of Probate within and for the County and
State aforesaid - - - - -

this day came and personally appeared Martha Ellis and Thomas
Lockburn who are credible and respectable
persons and who as such are

to me well known, and who are credible and respectable witnesses, who, being by
me first duly sworn, upon oath, say : We are well acquainted with Catherine
Allen, Ann E. Allen, Martin Allen and Benjamin
Allen who executed the foregoing Power of Attorney in
our presence - - - - -
and know them to be the identical persons they represent themselves
to be, and that the said Catherine is the mother, and the said
Ann E. the only sister, and the said Martin and
Benjamin the only brothers, and all of them the
only heirs at law of John Allen deceased who lost
his life in the Expedition from Texas to Santa Fe in
Mexico as we have heard and fully believed ever
since the time of the said Expedition, and that the
father of the said John is now dead and that the
said John was a single man and left neither wife nor
descendants surviving him, and that he has now living
and that the said neither brothers nor sisters nor descendants
of brothers and sisters excepting the said Ann E.,
Martin and Benjamin who with their mother the said Catherine
are resident citizens of the County of Hancock in the State of Mississippi and
that we have known the said claimants for more than twenty
six years and that we well knew the said John deceased
during his life time and that he has not been heard of as
living since the time of the said Expedition.

Martha Ellis
Thos. Lockburn

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED, before me, as witness my hand and official
seal, on this 23^d - - - day of January - - - A. D. 1860.

J. W. Winningham
Judge of Probate