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Indian pupils executing power of attorney.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
OFFICE OF INDIAN AFFAIRS,
WASHINGTON.

Subject:
Indians executing power
of attorney.

June 19, 1908. *CSH*

The Superintendent,
Carlisle Indian School,
Carlisle, Pa.

Sir:

The Office is in receipt of your letter of June 12, 1908, enclosing a blank power of attorney which was sent to Esther Moose, a Santee Indian, a pupil of your school, and requesting to be informed as to whether the Office deems it advisable for this girl, or any other pupil who may receive a like blank, to execute the same.

In response I have to say that the purpose of this blank is to have the girl appoint John A. Dalzell of Morton, Minnesota, and W. A. McDowell of Minneapolis, Minnesota, her lawful attorneys to collect any money or annuities which she may be entitled to receive from the United States under the treaties of 1837 and 1851. The Office does not believe that there is any money due these Indians under the treaties in question, and if there were, it being a tribal affair, the attorneys to represent these Indians would have to obtain a contract in accordance with the provisions of Section 2103

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of the Revised Statutes. You will therefore tell your pupils not to execute any such powers of attorney.

Very respectfully,

A handwritten signature in purple ink, appearing to be "J. H. ...", written over the typed name of the Acting Commissioner.

Acting Commissioner.

OGP.

Subject:
Power of
attorney in
claim of Santee
Sioux Indians.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
INDIAN INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.
OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT.

Carlisle, Pa., June 12, 1908.

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The Commissioner of Indian Affairs,
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

There is inclosed herewith a blank power of attorney which was received by Esther Moose, a Santee Sioux pupil of this school who is at present at Cochranville, Pa., under our outing system.

As we have no information on the subject other than that given on the paper herewith, before advising the girl as to whether or not she should execute the same, it is deemed advisable to submit the matter to your Office for instructions.

I have to request that I be informed as to whether or not your Office deems it advisable for this girl, or any other pupil who may hereafter receive the same, to execute such a paper.

Very respectfully,

W. Guedman

Superintendent.

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Cochranville, Pa. 6/10 - 1908.

Mr. Friedman.
Carlisle, Pa.



Dear Sir:-

Esther Moore
who lives with me, received
the inclosed paper today,
and as I see it commits
her for ten years' employ-
ment of this firm, I think
best to ask you for instruc-
tions regarding her filling

out the blanks and re-
turning to the firm,

Kindly direct me what
she shall do about it, as
she does not understand
it, and I do not feel
like being responsible for
putting it in shape, unless
it is all right,

Yours truly,
H. L. J. McClellan.

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: That I,



of _____ State of Minnesota, _____ by occupation a

_____ being a member of the Medawakanton—Wahpakoota Band of Sioux Indians, also known as Santee Sioux Indians, properly enrolled as such, and having long since renounced tribal relations, and being a citizen of the United States have made, constituted and appointed, and by these presents do make, constitute and appoint John A. Dalzell of Morton, Minnesota, and W. A. McDowell of Minneapolis, Minnesota, both attorneys at law of the State of Minnesota, my true and lawful attorneys, and authorize and empower them in my name, to represent me before the Congress of the United States, or any Committee thereof, and before any officer or department of the United States Government, the Court of Claims, or any other Court established by the United States Government, for the purpose of obtaining for me any sums of money or annuities which I am now or hereafter entitled to receive from the United States Government, on account of treaties dated Aug. 5th, 1851 and Sept. 29th, 1837, made between the United States Government and said Medawakanton—Wahpakoota Indians, or any other treaty or treaties between said parties, under any law now in force, or hereafter passed by the Congress of the United States, relative to any such treaties.

This power and agreement shall remain of full force and effect until January 1st, 1918.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal at _____

in the State of Minnesota, on this _____ day of _____ 1907.

In presence of

(SEAL.)
(SEAL.)

STATE OF MINNESOTA,

} ss.

County of _____

On this _____ day of _____ 1907, before me a Notary Public, in and for said County, personally came _____ to me known to be the same person that executed the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged that _____ he executed the same as _____ free act and deed, all done at _____ State of Minnesota, and at said time and in my presence, a duplicate was given said _____

NOTARY PUBLIC

_____ County, Minnesota.

My commission expires _____

We the undersigned, do hereby accept the foregoing employment.

Dated _____ 190_____