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_____ Province of Canada _____

[signature of Sir Charles Bagot]

[vertical lines] Victoria, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, Queen, Defender of the Faith, &^c ___ &^c ___ &^c ___

_____ To James Edward Small Esquire, and to all to whom these Presents shall come, Greeting. _____

_____ Know Ye, that reposing [...] trust and Confidence in your Loyalty, Integrity, and Ability. We have assigned, constituted and appointed and by these Presents do assign, constitute and appoint you the said James Edward Small to be one of Our Counsel be [armed?] in the Law in and for that part of Our Province of Canada formerly known as Upper Canada. To have, hold, exercise and enjoy the said Office unto you the said James Edward Small for and during Our Pleasure and your Residence within Our said Province. (Taking precedence in all Our Courts of Law and Equity in that part of Our Province as aforesaid next after the Honorable Henry Sherwood one of Our said Counsel;) [note: parentheses “()” in original document] together with all and singular the rights, fees, profits, privileges and advantages unto the said Office belonging and appertaining. _____

[signature of Robert Baldwin]

[underline flourish] [Atty q.c] [note: qc for queens counsel]

[vertical lines] In testimony whereof We have caused these [Our?] Letter, to be made Patent and the Great Seal of Our said Province to be hereunto affixed. Witness Our Right Trusty and Well Beloved Sir Charles Bagot G.C.B. one of Our Most Honorable Privy Council, Governor General of British North America and Captain General and Governor in Chief in and over Our Provinces of Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and the Island of Prince Edward and Vice Admiral of the same &c &c &c at Kingston this twenty first day of September in the Year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty two and in the sixth year of Our [Reign? note: with a flourish]. _____

By Command. _____

[unknown signature. Perhaps an M Harrison?]

[initials CB?] [flourish]

[REVERSE]

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[double line]

Commission [double underline]

Appointing James Edward Small Esq^{re} a
Queen's Counsel in and for the late
Province of Upper Canada.
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[signature of R Tucker?]
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