John Adams, President of the United States of America,

To all who shall see these Presents -- Greeting:

Know ye, that reposing special trust and confidence, in the wisdom, uprightness and learning of John Sloss Hobart, of New York, I have nominated and by and with the advice and consent of the Senate do appoint him Judge of the District Court in and for New York District; and do authorize and empower him to execute and fulfill the duties of that Office according to the Constitution and Laws of the said United States, and we have and to hold the said Office, with all the Powers, Privileges and Emoluments to the same of Right appertaining unto him the said John Sloss Hobart, during his good Behaviour.

In testimony whereof, I have caused these Letters to be made patent, and the Seal of the United States to be hereunto affixed.

Given under my hand, the twelfth day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety-eight, and of the Independence of the United States of America the Twenty-second.

John Adams

By the President,

Timothy Pickering Secretary of State