



Woodrow Wilson

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 Patriotism, Valour, Fidelity and Abilities of Harold M. Stark, I have nominated, and by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, do appoint him a Lieutenant Commander in the Navy, from the 29th day of August 1916, in the service of the **UNITED STATES**. He is therefore carefully and diligently, to discharge the Duties of a Lieutenant Commander, by doing and performing all Manner of Things thereto belonging.
And I do strictly charge and require, all Officers, Seamen and Marines, under his Command to be obedient to his Orders as a Lieutenant Commander. And he is to observe and follow such Orders and Directions from time to time as he shall receive from me; or the future **PRESIDENT** of the United States of America, or his Superior Officer set over him: according to the Rules and Discipline of **THE NAVY**.
This **COMMISSION** to continue in force during the pleasure of the President of the United States for the time being.

To the President

Joseph Daniels
Secretary of the Navy



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same date takes rank.