

SPECIFIC POWER OF ATTORNEY

STATE OF ALABAMA)
SHELBY COUNTY)

KNOWN ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that I, Viola Higginbotham, of Shelby County, Alabama, being over twenty-one (21) years of age, do hereby appoint my husband, Burnie A. Higginbotham, of Shelby County, Alabama, as my true and lawful attorney and authorize and empower him for me, and in my name, to:

(1) Giving and granting unto Burnie A. Higginbotham, as my true and lawful attorney, specific power and authority to do and perform all and every act and thing whatsoever requisite and necessary to be done with reference to selling and conveying title to my interest in the real estate located in Shelby County, Alabama, being more particularly described as follows:

From the SE corner of the SE 1/4 - NE 1/4 of Section 27, T19S-R1W, run thence North along the East boundary of said SE 1/4 - NE 1/4 a distance of 515.98 feet to a point on the Northwesterly boundary of Shelby County Highway #280 (80' R.O.W.); thence turn 137°59'33" left and run 190.67 feet along said highway boundary to a 3/4" crimped pipe, being the point of beginning of herein described parcel of land; thence continue along said course a distance of 626.78 feet to a 1/2" crimped pipe; thence turn 135°48'02" right and run 413.30 feet to a 1.5" capped pipe; thence turn 45°05'38" right and run 359.39 feet to a 3/4" pipe; thence turn 94°56'27" right and run 284.00 feet to the point of beginning of herein described parcel of land containing 3.24 acres, situated in the NE 1/4 - SE 1/4 and the SE 1/4 - NE 1/4 of Section 27, T19S-R1W, Shelby County, Alabama, subject to rights-of-way and easements record.

(2) This power includes, but is not limited to the power to sign any listing agreement, contract for sale, deeds, closing statement, the right to purchase a title insurance policy, a survey, a termite bond and the right to contract for necessary repairs, all on my behalf.

(3) This power includes, but is not limited to, the power and authority to sign, seal, execute, acknowledge and deliver such deeds, leases, and assignment of leases, agreements, mortgages, releases, and satisfaction of mortgages and such other instruments in writing of whatever kind and nature as may be necessary or proper in the premises.

(4) This specific power of attorney is granted unto said Burnie A. Higginbotham with the understanding that he will act in good faith, in my best interest and will consult with me prior to performing any act or accepting any offer and the power and authority granted herein shall not be affected by, and shall survive, my disability, incompetency or incapacity.

(5) I hereby ratify and confirm all that the said Burnie A. Higginbotham, as my true and lawful attorney, shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of these presents.

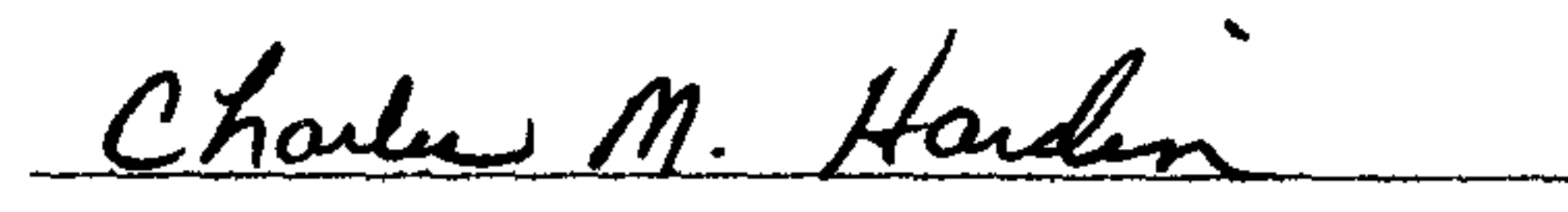
(6) Burnie A. Higginbotham is one and the same as Burnie A. Higginbotham, Sr., and I, Viola Higginbotham, am one and the same as Viola F. Higginbotham.


Viola Higginbotham

STATE OF ALABAMA)
SHELBY COUNTY)

I, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for said County, in said State, hereby certify that Viola Higginbotham, whose name is signed to the foregoing *Specific Power of Attorney*, and who is known to me, acknowledged before me on this day that, being informed of the contents of the foregoing *Specific Power of Attorney*, she executed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date.

Given under my hand and official seal this the 18 day of June, 2002.


Notary Public
My commission expires: APR 11 2004

CLAYTON T. SWEENEY, ATTORNEY AT LAW