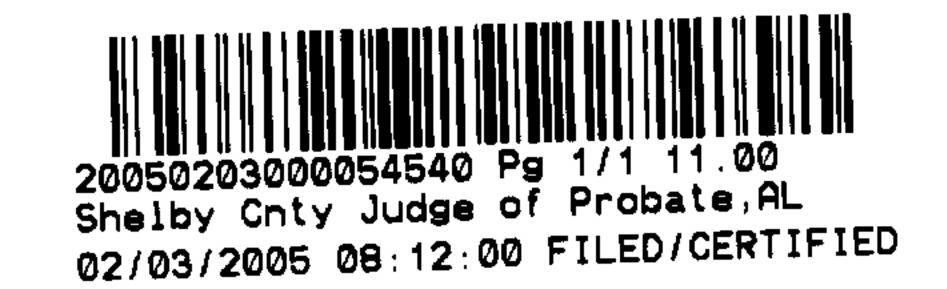


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STATE OF ALABAMA)

**COUNTY OF SHELBY)** 

## **DURABLE POWER OF ATTORNEY**

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That I, the undersigned, WILLIAM H. BURTON has hereby appointed ELLEN M. BURTON to be my lawful attorney-in-fact in all matters relating to our purchase of, 1308 GREYSTONE PARC DRIVE, BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, SHELBY COUNTY, and described below:

LOT 73, ACCORDING TO THE SURVEY OF THE PARC AT GREYSTONE, AS RECORDED IN MAP BOOK 32, PAGE 42 A, B, AND C, IN THE PROBATE OFFICE OF SHELBY COUNTY, ALABAMA.

I hereby specifically authorize ELLEN M. BURTON, to execute on my behalf all papers necessary to complete all documents including, but not limited to all waivers, receipts, notes, mortgages, truth-in-lending documents, deeds and any other documents required to be executed by Bank, Savings and Loan, Mortgage or Title Company in connection with the mortgage and to do all acts and things as fully and effectual in all respects as I would do if present.

It is my intent that this Power of Attorney shall be a Durable Power of Attorney pursuant to Section 26-1-2 Code of Alabama 1975, as amended. This Power of Attorney shall not be affected by disability, incompetence or incapacity of the principal.

And I hereby declare that any act or thing lawfully done hereunder by my said attorney shall be binding on myself, and my heirs, legal personal representatives, and assigns; whether the same shall have been done before or after my death, or other revocation of this instrument, unless and until reliable intelligence or notice thereof shall have been received by any person acting in reliance hereon. This Power of Attorney may be filed for record in any public office and shall expire 60 days from the date of execution.

WITNESS my hand and seal this day of JANUARY, 2005.

WILLIAM H. BURTON

STATE OF JGOMG COUNTY OF Shelby

I, the undersigned Notary Public in and for said County in said State, hereby certify that WILLIAM H. BURTON, whose name is signed to the foregoing Durable Power of Attorney, and who is known to me, acknowledged before me on this day that, being informed of the contents of the Durable Power of Attorney, he executed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date.

Given under my hand and official seal this

of JANUARY, 2005.

Notary Public

My commission expires:  $\sqrt{20/08}$