
LETTERS TESTAMENTARY

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF:

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF
JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA

RITA LORAIN BOWEN, AKA
RITA LORAIN WRIGHT BOWEN,
Deceased

CASE NO. 2015-224360

LETTERS TESTAMENTARY

The Will of the above-named deceased having been duly admitted to record in said county, **Letters Testamentary** are hereby granted to WILLIAM MARION BOWEN, JR., the Personal Representative named in said will, who has complied with the requisitions of the law and is authorized to administer the estate. Subject to the priorities stated in §43-8-76, Code of Alabama (1975, as amended), the said Personal Representative, acting prudently for the benefit of interested persons, has all the powers authorized in transactions under §43-2-843, Code of Alabama (1975, as amended).

WITNESS my hand this date, 13th day of April, 2015.

Alan L. King

Judge of Probate

I, S.J. Rhodes, Chief Clerk of Probate Court of Jefferson County, Alabama, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true, correct and full copy of the **Letters Testamentary** issued in the above styled cause as appears of record in said Court. I further certify that said Letters are still in full force and effect.

WITNESS my hand and seal of said Court this date, 13th day of April, 2015.

Chief Clerk

State of Alabama
Jefferson County

I, the Undersigned, as Judge of Probate Court in and
for Jefferson County, Alabama, hereby certify that
the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of the
instrument with the filing of same as appears of record
in this office. Given under my hand and official seal,
this the 7th day of September, 2018.

Alan L. King
JUDGE OF PROBATE

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ORDER ON FILING AND PROBATING LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT

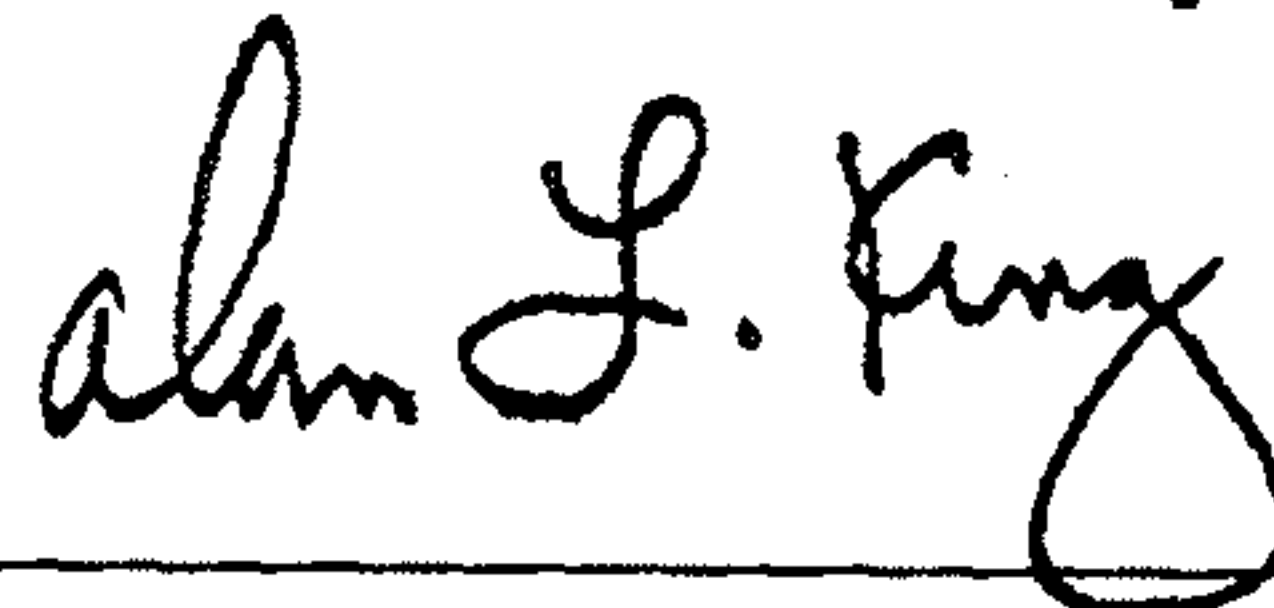
This day came William Marion Bowen, Jr. and filed a petition in writing, under oath, therewith producing and filing in this Court an instrument of writing purporting to be the Last Will and Testament of Rita Loraine Wright Bowen, deceased, said will bearing date, December 15, 2008, and attested by William Pritchard, III and Eleanor Kate Wright; and praying that the same be probated as provided by law; that the petitioner is the son of said deceased, and is named in said Will as executor thereof; and that the next of kin of said deceased are as follows, to-wit: William Marion Bowen, Jr., son, Birmingham, Alabama and Rita Loraine Bowen, daughter, Birmingham, Alabama, of whom are over nineteen years of age and of sound mind.

And thereupon comes each of the above named next of kin expressly waiving all notice of the petition to probate said will and consenting that the same be probated at once, and the court having ascertained by sufficient evidence that the signatures affixed to said waivers of notice and acceptances of service are the genuine signatures of said next of kin; now on motion of said petitioner, the Court proceeds to hear said petition; and, after due proof and hearing had according to the laws of this state, the court is satisfied and is of the opinion that said instrument is the genuine Last Will and Testament of said deceased, and that such instrument should be probated as the Last Will and Testament

of said deceased. It is, therefore,

ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED by the Court that said instrument be duly admitted to probate as the Last Will and Testament of Rita Loraine Wright Bowen, deceased, and **ORDERED** to be recorded together with the proof thereof and all other papers on file relating to this proceeding. It is further **ORDERED** that petitioner pay the costs of this proceeding.

DONE this date, April 9, 2015.



Judge of Probate

State of Alabama

Jefferson County

I, the Undersigned, as Judge of Probate Court in and for Jefferson County, Alabama, hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of the instrument with the filing of same as appears of record in this office. Given under my hand and official seal, this the 17th day of September, 2018

Alan L. King

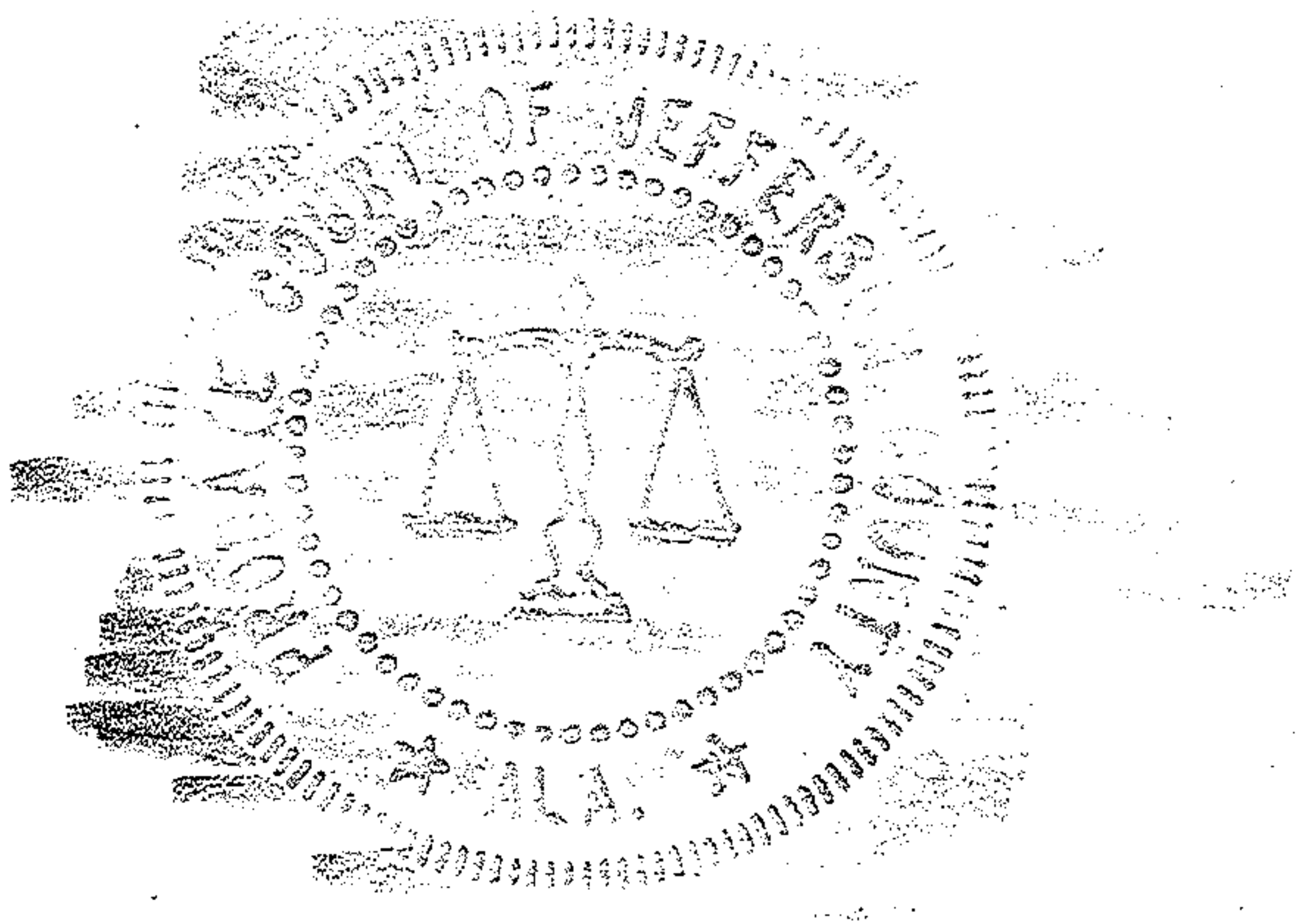
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State of Alabama
Jefferson County

I, the Undersigned, as Judge of Probate Court in and for Jefferson County, Alabama, hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of the instrument with the filing of same as appears of record in this office. Given under my hand and official seal, this the 7th day of September, 2018.

Alan L. King

JUDGE OF PROBATE

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WILL
OF
RITA LORAIN WRIGHT BOWEN

I, Rita Loraine Wright Bowen, of Birmingham, Alabama, declare this to be my will, and I revoke all previous wills and codicils that I have made.

ARTICLE I
Specific Gifts

A. I give my tangible personal property (together with any assignable insurance policies thereon), including any household furniture and furnishings, automobiles, books, pictures, jewelry, art objects, hobby equipment and collections, wearing apparel, and other articles of household or personal use or ornament, together with any insurance on any specific item, but excluding coins held for investment and paper currency, to my son, William Marion Bowen, Jr., if my son survives me or if not, then to his descendants, per stirpes.

B. All costs of safeguarding, insuring, packing, and storing my tangible personal property before its distribution and of delivering each item to the residence of the beneficiary of that item shall be treated as administration expenses.

ARTICLE II
Gift of Residue

A. I give my residuary estate, which shall not include any property over which I have power of appointment, to my son, William Marion Bowen, Jr., if my said son survives me, or if not, per stirpes, to his descendants.

B. After some thought and consideration, I have deliberately made no provision herein for the benefit of my daughter, Rita Loraine Bowen.

Rita Loraine Bowen, Jr.
Signature

ARTICLE III
Payment of Taxes and Expenses

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My personal representative shall pay from my residuary estate all estate and inheritance taxes (including any interest and penalties) together with the expenses of my last illness and all administration expenses, including an appropriate marker for my grave, and any funeral expenses, payable in any jurisdiction by reason of my death, whether or not the assets generating those taxes and expenses pass under this will.

ARTICLE IV
Personal Representative Nomination and Powers

A. I name to serve as my personal representative my cousin, J. Wray Pearce, and if he shall predecease me or shall cease to serve hereunder then my son, William Marion Bowen, Jr., shall serve as the personal representative of this will.

B. I give my personal representative, wherever acting, power:

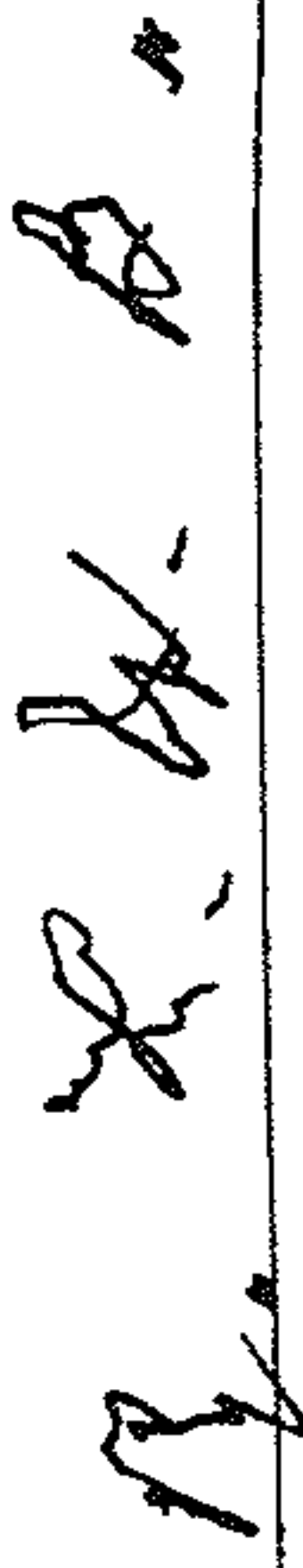
1. To retain, sell (at public or private sale), exchange, lease for any term (even though commencing in the future or extending beyond the date of final distribution of my estate), mortgage, pledge, or otherwise deal for any purpose with the property, real or personal, from time to time comprising my estate, for such consideration and on such terms (with or without security) as my personal representative shall determine.

2. To invest and reinvest my estate and proceeds of sale of any portion thereof in such loans, stocks, or other securities, mortgages, investment companies or trusts, whether of the open and/or closed fund types, interests in general, limited or special partnerships, interests as members in limited liability companies, common trust funds, or other property as he may consider suitable, whether or not a so-called "legal" investment of trust funds, and to change investments and to make new investments from time to time as my personal representative may seem necessary or desirable;

3. To borrow money at interest rates then prevailing from any individual, bank, or other source, whether or not the lender is then acting as a personal representative;

4. To enter into any transaction authorized by this Article with trustees, personal representatives, or administrators of any other trust or estate, even though a personal representative is also a fiduciary of the other trust or estate;

5. To invest in any property; and to hold any property in the name of a nominee or in bearer form;


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6. To compromise or abandon any claims in favor of or against my estate;

7. To disclaim, in whole or in part, any property or interest therein which passed to me or which was created for my benefit, for any reason including, but not limited to, a concern that such property could cause potential liability under any federal, state or local environmental law;


8. To employ accountants, depositaries, investment counsel, attorneys, and agents (in each case with or without discretionary powers);

9. To (i) conduct environmental assessments, audits, and site monitoring to determine compliance with any environmental law or regulation thereunder; (ii) take all appropriate remedial action to contain, clean up or remove any environmental hazard including a spill, release, discharge or contamination, either on its own accord or in response to an actual or threatened violation of any environmental law or regulation thereunder; (iii) institute legal proceedings concerning environmental hazards or contest or settle legal proceedings brought by any local, state, or federal agency concerned with environmental compliance, or by a private litigant; (iv) comply with any local, state or federal agency order or court order directing an assessment, abatement or cleanup of any environmental hazards; and (v) employ agents, consultants and legal counsel to assist or perform the above undertakings or actions;

10. To execute instruments of any kind, including instruments containing covenants and warranties binding upon and creating a charge against my estate and containing provisions excluding personal liability; and

11. To make distributions from my estate in cash or in kind, or partly in each and to value any property for that purpose; and to allocate different kinds or disproportionate shares of property or undivided interests in property among the beneficiaries.

C. The powers granted to my personal representative hereunder shall be in addition to all other powers granted by law and shall be exercisable in the discretion of my personal representative and without court order. To the extent such requirements can be legally waived, no personal representative shall be required to file an inventory or appraisal, or account to any court, or obtain the order or approval of any court before exercising any power or discretion granted in this will. I contemplate that my personal representative may take possession of assets of my estate if, in my personal representative's sole discretion, such action is necessary for purposes of estate administration. I hereby exonerate my personal representative


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of any liability under Ala. Code Section 43-2-840 in taking possession of any assets of my estate.

No personal representative shall be required to furnish bond or security.

D. My personal representative shall make such elections and allocations under the tax laws as my personal representative considers advisable (whether or not the election or allocation relates to property passing under this will), without regard to, or adjustments between, principal and income or the relative interests of the beneficiaries. Any decision to exercise tax elections or make allocations hereunder shall be made by my domiciliary personal representative, if any, in preference to any ancillary personal representative, and shall be binding and conclusive on all persons.

E. If any portion of my estate is distributable to a beneficiary who is then under the age of twenty-one years, my personal representative may distribute that beneficiary's share, without further responsibility, either directly to that beneficiary, to a qualified individual or trust company designated by my personal representative as custodian for that beneficiary under an applicable Uniform Transfers to Minors Act or similar law, or to the individual having personal custody of that beneficiary (whether or not court-appointed), and the receipt of the distributee shall discharge my personal representative.

F. No personal representative shall be personally liable to any beneficiary or other party interested in my estate or to any third parties, for any claim against my estate for the diminution in value of estate property resulting from matters involving hazardous substances, including any reporting of or response to (i) the contamination of estate property by hazardous substances, or (ii) violations of any environmental laws related to my estate; provided that my personal representative shall not be excused from liability for its own gross negligence in administration of the estate property or wrongful or willful acts.

G. To the maximum extent permitted by law, the personal representative may withhold a distribution to a beneficiary hereunder until receiving from the beneficiary an indemnification agreement in which the beneficiary agrees to indemnify the personal representative against any claims filed against the personal representative as an "owner" or "operator" under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980, as from time to time amended, or any regulation thereunder, or any other environmental law; provided that the personal representative may not take any action under this paragraph

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which would in any way jeopardize any federal or state marital deduction for property passing at my death.

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ARTICLE V
Interpretive Rules

For all purposes of this will:

A. In determining who is a descendant of mine or of any other person:

1. Legal adoption before the adopted person reached the age of twenty-one years, but not thereafter, shall be equivalent to blood relationship; and

2. A person born out of wedlock and those claiming through that person shall be deemed to be descendants of (i) the natural mother and her ancestors, and (ii) if the natural father acknowledges paternity, the natural father and his ancestors, in each case unless a decree of adoption terminates such natural parent's parental rights.

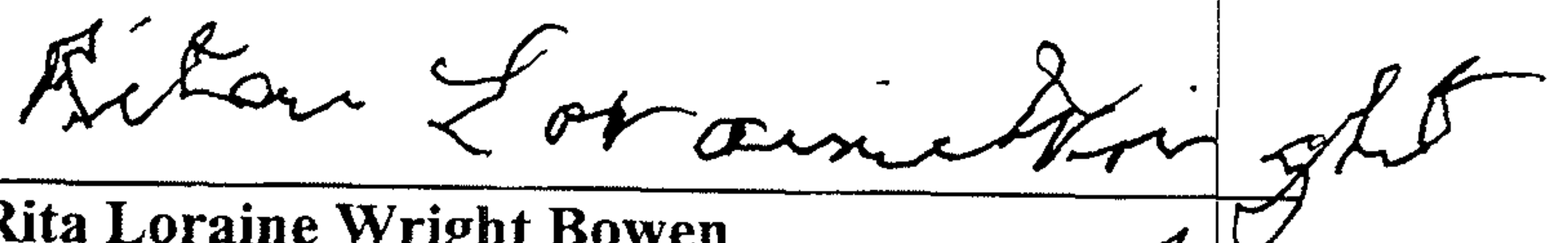
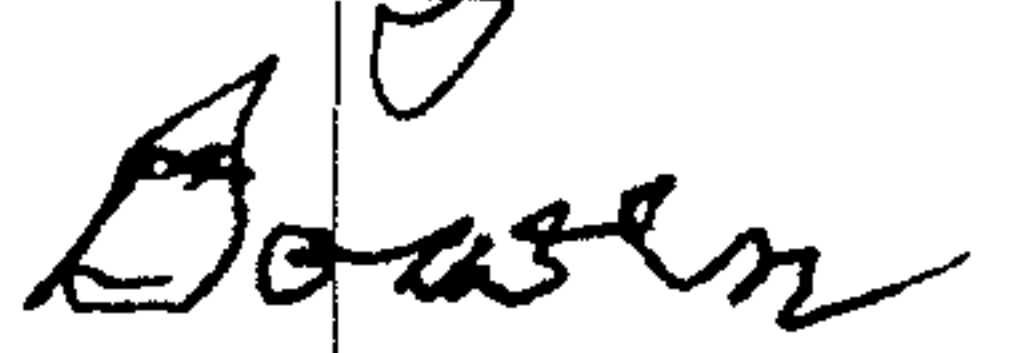
B. A person shall be considered "disabled" if a minor, if under legal disability, or if in any condition (whether temporary or permanent) which substantially impairs that person's ability to transact ordinary business.

C. The term "Code" means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as from time to time amended.

D. The term "personal representative" means any court-appointed fiduciary or fiduciaries of my estate from time to time qualified and acting in any jurisdiction and shall include "executor" as provided in Ala. Code Section 43-8-1.

E. The term "hazardous substance(s)" means any substance defined as hazardous or toxic or otherwise regulated by any federal, state or local law(s), rule(s) or regulation(s) relating to the protection of the environment or human health ("environmental law(s)").

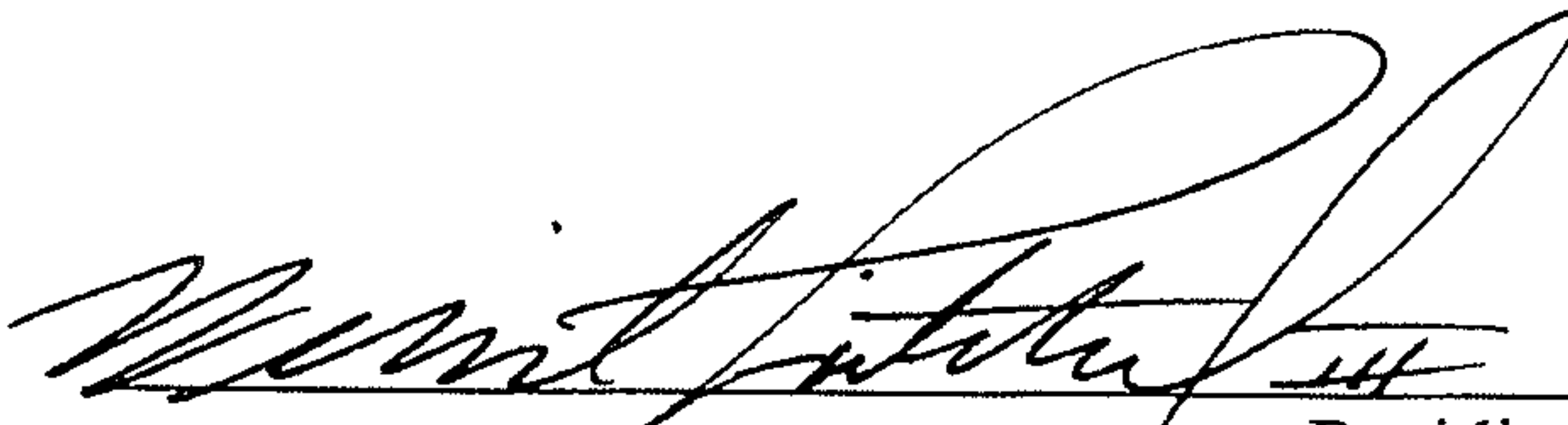
I signed this will on the 15 day of December, 2008.


Rita Loraine Wright Bowen
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On the date last above written, we saw Rita Loraine Wright Bowen, in our presence, sign the foregoing instrument at its end. She then declared it to be her will and requested us to act as witnesses to it. We then, in her presence and in the presence of each other, signed our names as attesting witnesses, believing her at all times herein mentioned to be of sound mind and memory and not acting under constraint of any kind.


Residing at
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800 Financial Center
Birmingham, Alabama

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This Instrument Prepared By:

William S. Pritchard, III
PRITCHARD, McCALL & JONES, L.L.C.
800 Financial Center
505 North 20th Street
Birmingham, Alabama 35203

A copy of this Will has been retained by Pritchard, McCall & Jones. If you desire to revoke this Will by destruction, you should have the original and all copies destroyed.

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