

**STATE OF ALABAMA
COUNTY OF MADISON**

DURABLE GENERAL POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that I, HELEN JACQUELINE STRONG, of Madison County, Alabama, and being over the age of nineteen (19) years, hereby revoke any and all powers of attorney which I may have heretofore given, and have nominated, constituted and appointed, any by these presents do hereby make, constitute, nominate and appoint, JOSEPH DAWSON BROWN , (hereinafter "Attorney") my true and lawful agent and sole attorney in fact with full power of substitution, for me and in my name, place and stead, to purchase, sell, exchange, borrow, mortgage and otherwise manage all of my properties, real, personal and mixed, giving and granting unto my Attorney full power and authority to do and perform every act and thing whatsoever requisite and necessary to be done in and about the premises, as fully to all intents and purposes as I might do if then and there present and acting in my own behalf. Pursuant hereto my said Attorney may take any and all such actions either in my name or in his name as my attorney-in-fact, and he may in his discretion delegate in writing and performance of any such acts including discretionary acts to others deemed competent by my Attorney. No person dealing with my Attorney shall be required to see to the application of any funds or property paid or given for my account, and the receipt given by, or any other juristic acts performed by my Attorney shall be as final and binding upon me, my rights, my property, business and estates as if performed by me. By way of exemplifying and not by way of limiting the generality of the foregoing, I particularly authorize and empower my Attorney to do and perform on my behalf the following, viz:

1. To exercise and perform any act, power, duty, right or obligation whatsoever that I now have, or may hereafter acquire the legal right, power or capacity to exercise or perform in connection with, arising from or relating to any person, item, transaction, thing, business, property, real or personal, tangible or intangible, or matter whatsoever.
2. To request, ask, demand, sue for, recover, collect, receive, hold and possess all such sums of money, income, debts, rents, dues, goods, wares, merchandise, chattels, effects, bonds, notes, commercial paper, checks, drafts, accounts, discounts, deposits, safe deposit boxes, legacies, bequests, devises, interest, dividends, annuities, pension and retirement benefits, deferred compensation, insurance benefits and proceeds, stock certificates, certificates of deposit, stock bonus plan and profit sharing plan benefits, stock options, any and all documents of title, choses in action, personal and real property, intangible and tangible property and property rights, and demands whatsoever, liquidated or unliquidated, and things of whatsoever nature or description which now are, or shall hereafter become, owned by, or due, owing, payable, or belonging to me or in which I have or may hereafter acquire any interest, to have, use and take all lawful means and equitable and legal remedies, procedures and writs in my name for the

collection and recovery thereof, and to adjust, sell, compromise and agree for the same, and to make, execute and deliver for me, on my behalf and in my name, all endorsements, acquittances, releases, receipts or other sufficient discharges for the same.

3. To commence, prosecute, discontinue or defend all actions or other legal proceedings touching my estate or any part thereof or touching any matter in which I or my estate may be in any way concerned; and to have, sue and take all lawful ways and means and legal and equitable remedies, procedures and writs in my name for the collection or recovery of any item or matter in which I have or may acquire an interest, and to compromise, settle and agree for the same and to make, execute and deliver for my and in my name all endorsements, acquittances, releases, receipts or other sufficient discharges for the same.
4. To lease, purchase, exchange and acquire, and to bargain, contract and agree for the lease, purchase, exchange or acquisition of, and to take, receive and possess any, real or personal property whatsoever, tangible or intangible, or any interest therein, on such terms and conditions and under such covenants as my Attorney shall deem proper.
5. To enter into and upon all and each of my real properties, and to let, manage and improve the same or any part thereof, and to repair or to otherwise improve or alter or insure any buildings or structures thereon.
6. To sell, either at public or private sale, exchange, dedicate or convey for public or private purposes, subdivide, create or grant easements, or establish boundary lines, in connection with or with respect to any part or parts of my real estate or interest therein, or personal property, for such consideration and upon such terms as my Attorney shall think fit, and to execute and deliver good and sufficient deeds or other instruments for the conveyance or transfer of the same, with such covenants, warranties or otherwise as my Attorney shall see fit, and to give receipts for all or any part of the purchase price or other consideration therefor.
7. To engage in and actively transact any and all lawful business of whatever nature, kind or form, to commence, continue, terminate or liquidate any business, to form partnerships (general and/or limited), limited liability companies, or corporations with any persons or entities, to subscribe for stock or other securities, to contribute any property to any partnership, limited liability company, or corporation for an interest therein, and to amend any partnership agreement and/or certificate of partnership, whether limited or general, any articles or organization and/or operating agreement of any limited liability company, and any bylaws and/or articles of incorporation of any corporation.
8. To enter into mineral transactions (including the execution of oil, gas and mineral leases, pooling agreements, unitization agreements, community leases, division orders and transfer orders), to contract for mineral processing plants, to make "dry hole" or "bottom hole" contributions, and to undertake any act in connection with prospecting for, developing, procuring, processing, transporting or marketing any minerals, even though not now or hereafter recognized as customary or proper practices by those engaged in such matters.
9. To sign, endorse, execute, acknowledge, deliver, receipt for and possess such applications, contracts, agreements, options, covenants, deeds, conveyances, trust deeds, security agreements, bills of sale, leases, mortgages, assignments, insurance policies, bills of lading, warehouse receipts, documents of title, bills, bonds, debentures, checks, drafts, bills of exchange, notes, stock certificates, proxies, warrants, commercial paper, receipts, withdrawal receipts and deposit instruments relating to accounts or deposits in, or certificates of deposit of, banks, savings and loan associations or other institutions or associations, proofs of loss, evidences of debts, releases and satisfaction of mortgages, judgments, liens, security agreements and other debts and obligations, and other instruments in writing of whatever kind and nature as may be necessary or proper in the exercise

of the rights and powers herein granted.

10. To deposit any monies which may come to my Attorney as attorney in fact with any bank or banker or other person either in my name or my Attorney's name, and to employ or expend as my Attorney shall think fit any of such money, or any other money to which I am entitled, which now is or shall be so deposited; to withdraw in the payment of any debts or interest payable by me, or taxes, assessments, insurance or other expenses due and payable or to become due and payable on account of my real and personal estate, or in or about any of the purposes herein mentioned, or otherwise for my use and benefit, or to invest in my Attorney's own name or any nominee in any stocks, shares, bonds, securities or other property, real or personal, as my Attorney may think proper, and to receive and give receipts for any income or dividend arising from such investments, and to vary or dispose of such investments.
11. To purchase, sell, exchange, borrow, mortgage, invest and reinvest, make gifts with respect to, and otherwise manage all of my properties, real, personal (tangible and/or intangible) and mixed, including but not limited to common and preferred stocks, common trust funds, mutual funds, bonds, debentures, U.S. Treasury Bonds, U.S. Treasury Notes, U.S. Treasury Bills and other securities of the United States, of any type, kind, class or denomination, whether bearer or registered.
12. To borrow any sum or sums of money on such terms and with such security, whether real or personal property, as my Attorney may think fit, and for that purpose to execute all promissory notes, bonds, mortgages, deeds of trust, security agreements and other instruments which may be necessary or proper.
13. To engage, employ, compensate and dismiss any agents, clerks, servants, attorneys at law, accountants, investment advisors, custodians or other person in and about the performance of these presents as my Attorney shall think fit.
14. To accept delivery from the U.S. Postal Service, Federal Express, United Parcel Service, and other mail, courier and delivery services of all mail, packages, correspondence and materials addressed to me.
15. To vote at the meetings of stockholders, partners, or members or at other meetings of any corporation, partnership, limited liability company, or other company, or otherwise to act as my attorney in fact or proxy in respect of any stocks, shares, membership interests or other instruments now or hereafter held by me therein, and for that purpose to execute any proxies or other instruments.
16. To exercise any powers and any duties vested in me, whether solely or jointly, with any other or others as executor, administrator, trustee or in any other fiduciary capacity, so far as such power or duty is capable of validly being delegated.
17. To contract for or dispense with all personal, professional and other services, including, but not by way of limitation, medical, hospital, nursing, legal, household, business, clerical and other services which, in the opinion of my Attorney, should be performed or dispensed with in the furtherance of my interests or my estate, and to pay for any and all such services performed out of my assets.
18. To deposit to or draw upon any or all checking, commercial, or savings accounts wherever situated now standing in my name, or hereafter opened in my name by my Attorney, whenever, in the opinion of my Attorney, it is necessary or appropriate to do so.
19. To have access to and enter any and all safe deposit boxes or other places of deposit held or possessed in my name, and to deposit therein or remove therefrom any or all securities, documents or other items of personal property whatsoever,

whenever my Attorney shall deem it necessary or proper to do so.

20. To execute and file tax returns of any nature (e.g., income tax, gift tax or estate tax) and declarations of estimated income tax required by the Internal Revenue Code to be made by me, and to settle with the Internal Revenue Service and its agents and representatives any questions concerning my liability for and the collection, refund or payment of said taxes, and to possess all of the authorities and all of the powers set forth in Form 2848 of the Department of the Treasury, Internal Revenue Service, or State of Alabama Department of Revenue, as amended or revised hereafter, including the power to receive refund checks due to me, from the date of this instrument until this instrument is revoked.
21. To assign and convey all or any part of the assets of my estate (consisting of any property, real, personal or mixed, of whatsoever kind, wheresoever located and whensoever acquired) into such trust or trusts as my Attorney shall deem proper irrespective of whether said trust is not in existence or is hereafter established. My Attorney is and shall be authorized to establish any such trust on such terms as my Attorney shall deem to be in my best interests.
22. To hold harmless and indemnify any third party from and against any and all loss or liability of every kind and nature which the third party may assume or incur by reason of accepting and acting under this power of attorney.
23. To make such gifts or other conveyances of any property whatsoever and wheresoever situated, be it real, personal or mixed, as may be necessary or appropriate for the minimization of federal estate tax and/or for a proper estate plan, including but not limited to any gifts of such property which qualify for the Internal Revenue Code Section 2503, 2522, or 2523 exclusions from federal gift tax or which may be protected from federal gift tax by the Internal Revenue Code Section 2505 Unified Credit Against Federal Gift Tax, and this power is intended regardless of whether I may have or have had an established gift giving program or prior program or prior pattern of making gifts.
24. To admit me into a hospital when I need medical or physical care; to authorize medical related personnel to perform surgery, operations or any other treatment upon my person; and to do or authorize any other act for my benefit and physical welfare. Said attorney-in-fact shall, in no way, be liable for any act or occurrence under this or any other power granted by this durable power of attorney.

The powers and authorities granted herein shall not be affected by any non-exercise thereof or by any one or more exercises thereof. My Attorney shall have the authority to exercise or fail to exercise the powers and authorities granted herein in each case as my Attorney, in my Attorney's own absolute discretion, deems desirable or appropriate under existing circumstances. I hereby ratify and confirm all that my Attorney, any and agents and attorneys appointed by my Attorney, and their agents, associates and substitutes, may do pursuant to the terms hereof. However, despite the above provisions, nothing herein shall be construed as imposing a duty on my Attorney to act or assume responsibility for any matters referred to herein or other matters, even though my Attorney may have power or authority herein to do so.

If any power or authority hereby sought to be conferred upon my Attorney should be invalid or unexercisable for any cause or not recognized by any person or organization dealing

with my Attorney, the remaining powers and authorities given to my Attorney hereunder shall nevertheless continue.

The power of attorney shall not be affected by my disability, incompetency or incapacity. If I become disabled, incompetent or incapacitated and it becomes necessary or desirable for me to have a guardian, curator or other fiduciary, or if proceedings to appoint a guardian, curator or other fiduciary for me are thereafter commenced, I hereby nominate **JOSEPH DAWSON BROWN** as such guardian, curator or other fiduciary, and request that the Judge of Probate Court or other Court which shall then have jurisdiction of such proceedings shall make such appointment in accordance with this nomination except for good cause or disqualification.

Wherever herein used, the single shall include the plural and the masculine gender shall include also the feminine gender.

This durable general power of attorney may be revoked by me in whole or in part at any time by my delivering or cause to be delivered to my Attorney written notice of such revocation; provided, however, that no such revocation shall validate, invalidate or impair any action taken prior to receipt of such written notice. Unless so revoked, this power of attorney shall remain in force and effect so long as permitted by law.

Any and every person dealing with or accepting and relying upon any instrument executed or any act taken by my Attorney under the provisions of this power of attorney, prior to actual receipt of any written notice from me that the powers conferred herein or any of them have been revoked, amended or restricted, shall be fully protected against any claims or contention by me or by my personal representatives, heirs, next of kin and assigns, with respect to such person's right to rely upon the existence and continuing effect of this power of attorney and all provisions herein, regardless of any lapse of time from and after the date of execution hereof. Additionally, if this power of attorney should be recorded in the Probate Court of any County in the State of Alabama, then any person or party may rely upon the authority of my Attorney herein set forth as continuing to be in full force and effect unless and until a revocation of this power of attorney shall be recorded in said Probate Court.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this ____ day
of March, 2020.

Helene J. Strong
HELEN JACQUELINE STRONG

STATE OF ALABAMA)
COUNTY OF MADISON)

I, the undersigned Notary Public, in and for said State and County, hereby certify that HELEN JACQUELINE STRONG, whose name is signed to the foregoing document, and who is known to me, acknowledged before me on this date that, being informed of the content of said document, executed the same voluntarily on the day same bears date, after being duly authorized to do so.

Given under my hand and seal this the 20th day of March, 2020.

Jean Marie Sullivan
NOTARY PUBLIC
Commission Expires: 03/04/2023

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