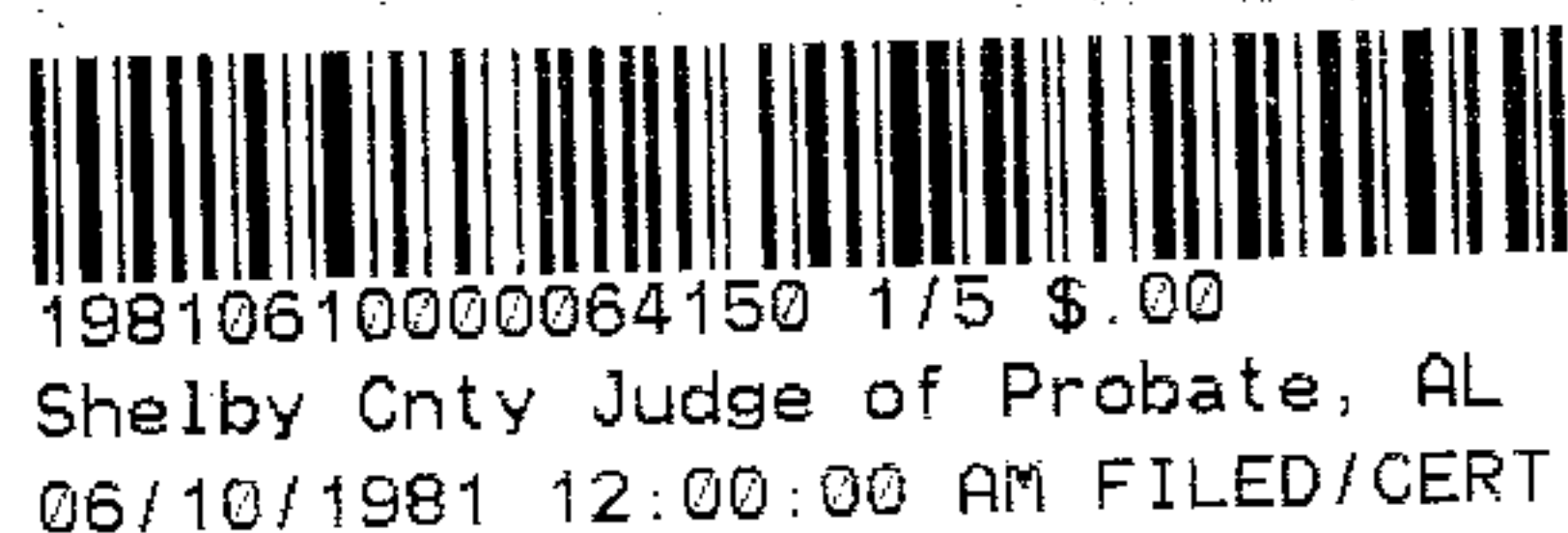


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GENERAL POWER OF ATTORNEY

STATE OF ALABAMA

COUNTY OF SHELBY



KNOWN ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That I, Barbara J. Atkins, of the City of Columbiana, Alabama, do hereby appoint of David Andrew Atkins, my true and lawful attorney to act in, manage, and conduct my affairs and for that purpose, in my name and on my behalf, to do and execute all or any of the following acts, deeds, and things, that is to say:

1. To ask, demand, sue for, recover, and receive all sums of money, debts, dues, goods, wares, merchandise, chattels, effects, and things of whatsoever nature or description, which now are or hereafter shall be or become due, owing, payable, or belonging to me, in or by any right, title, ways, or means, howsoever, and upon receipt thereof or of any part thereof; to make, sign, execute and deliver such receipts, releases, or other discharges for the same respectively as he shall think fit or be advised.

2. To settle any account or reckoning whatsoever wherein I now am or at any time hereafter shall be in anywise interested or concerned with any person whomsoever, and to pay or receipt the balance therefor as the case may require.

3. To receive any sum of money which now is or hereafter shall be due or belonging to me upon the security or by virtue of any mortgage and on receipt of the full amount secured thereby, to execute a good and sufficient release or other discharge of such mortgage by deed, release, or otherwise, or by properly satisfying the same of record in the Probate Office wherein said mortgage is recorded.

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4. To compound with or make allowances to any person for or in respect to any debt or demand whatsoever which now is or shall, at any time hereafter, become due and payable to me and to take and receive any compromise or dividend therefor or thereupon, and to give releases or other discharges for the whole of such debts or demands or to settle, compromise, or submit to arbitration every such debt or demand and every other right, matter, and thing due to or concerning me, as my attorney shall think best, and for that purpose to enter into and execute and deliver such bonds of arbitration or other instruments as my attorney may deem advisable in the premises.

5. To commence, prosecute, discontinue or defend all actions or other legal proceedings touching my estate, or any part thereof, or myself, or touching any matter in which I or my estate may be in anywise concerned.

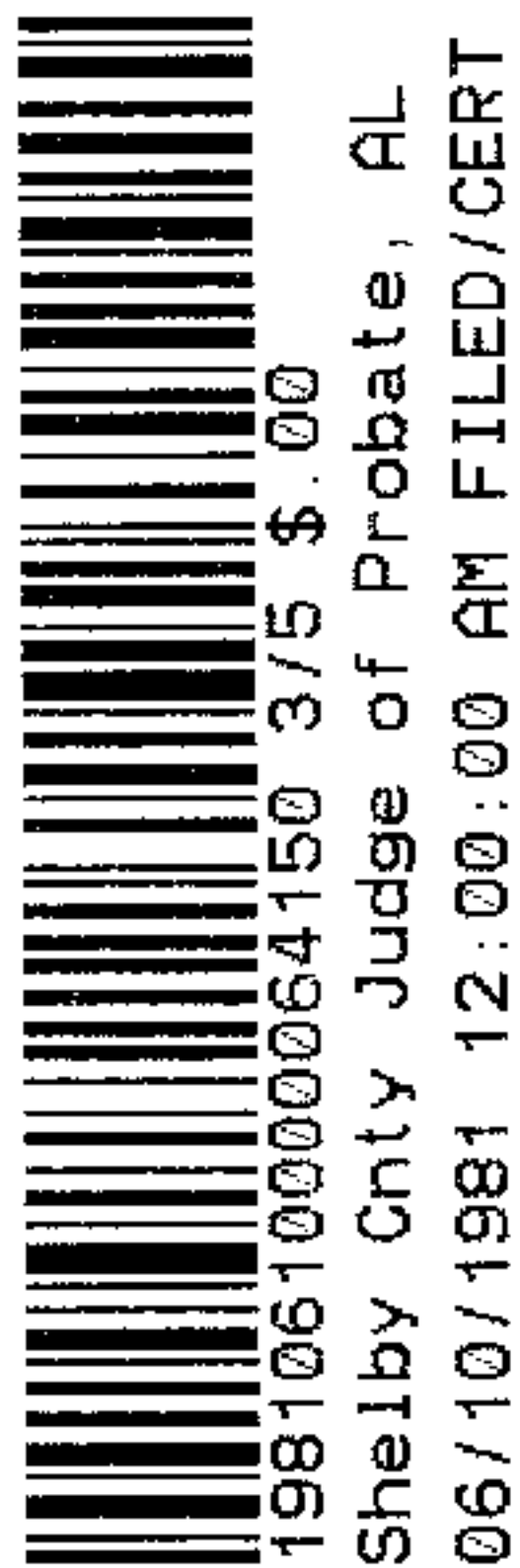
6. To enter into and upon all and singular my real estate and to let, manage, and improve the same or any part thereof, and to repair or otherwise improve or alter and to insure any buildings thereon.

7. To contract with any person for leasing for such periods at such rents and subject to such conditions as my attorney shall see fit all or any of my real estate or any apartment which I may own and any such person to let into possession thereof and to execute all such leases and contracts as shall be necessary or proper in that behalf and to give notice to quit to any tenant or occupier thereof and to receive and recover from all tenants and occupiers thereof or any part thereof all rents, arrears of rent, and sums of money which now are or shall hereafter become due and payable in respect thereof or any part thereof; to take all necessary or proper means or proceedings for determining the tenancy or occupation of such tenants or occupiers and for ejecting the tenants or occupiers and recovering the possession thereof.



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8. To deposit any monies which may come into his hands as such attorney with any bank or banks in my name and any of such money or any other money to which I am entitled which now is or shall be so deposited to withdraw, and either employ as he shall think fit in the payment of any debts or interest payable by me or taxes, assessments, insurance, repairs to real estate, and expenses due and payable on account of my real and personal estate or in and about any of the purposes herein mentioned or otherwise, for my use and benefit, or to invest in my name in any stocks, bonds, shares, securities or other property, real or personal, as he may think proper, and to receive and give receipts for any income or dividends arising from such investments and all and any such investments or other investments; to vary and dispose of for my use and benefit as he may deem fit; specifically, to sign my name to any check or checks on any bank account that may now be in existence or any bank account that he may hereafter open in my name as my attorney in fact.

9. To borrow any sum 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, and other instruments which may be necessary or proper.

10. To engage, employ, and dismiss any agents, clerks, servants, or other persons in and about the performance of these presents as my attorney shall think fit, including any domestic servants or nurses that I may need.

11. To vote at the meetings of the stockholders or other meetings of any corporation or company or otherwise to act as my attorney or proxy in respect of any stocks, shares, or other instruments now or hereafter held by me therein and for that purpose to execute any proxies or other instruments.

12. To pay every month such sum or sums as he may deem advisable or necessary to meet my ordinary household expenses and also in the discretion of my attorney to pay such charitable subscriptions as I have been in the habit of paying and as he may deem proper and advisable.



13. In general, to do all other acts, deeds, matters or things whatsoever in or about my estate, proper, and affairs, or to concur with persons jointly interested with myself therein in doing all acts, deeds, matters, or things herein, either jointly or generally described, as fully and effectually to all intents and purposes as I could do in my own person if present.

14. To substitute and appoint in his place and stead one or more attorney or attorneys to exercise for me as my attorney or attorneys any or all of the powers and authority hereby conferred and to revoke any such appointment from time to time and to substitute or appoint any other or others in the place of such attorney or attorneys as he shall, from time to time, think fit.

15. I do hereby ratify and confirm and promise at all times to ratify and confirm all and whatsoever my attorney shall lawfully do or cause to be done in and about the premises by virtue of these presents, including anything which shall be done between the revocation of these presents by my death or in any other manner or notice of such revocation reaching my attorney; and I do hereby declare that as against me and all persons claiming under me, everything that my attorney shall do or cause to be done in pursuance hereof after such revocation as aforesaid shall be valid and effectual in favor of any person claiming the benefit thereof and before the doing thereof shall not have had notice of such revocation.

And I do hereby ratify and confirm whatsoever my said attorney or his substitute may do in the premises.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal on this the 30 day of May, 1981



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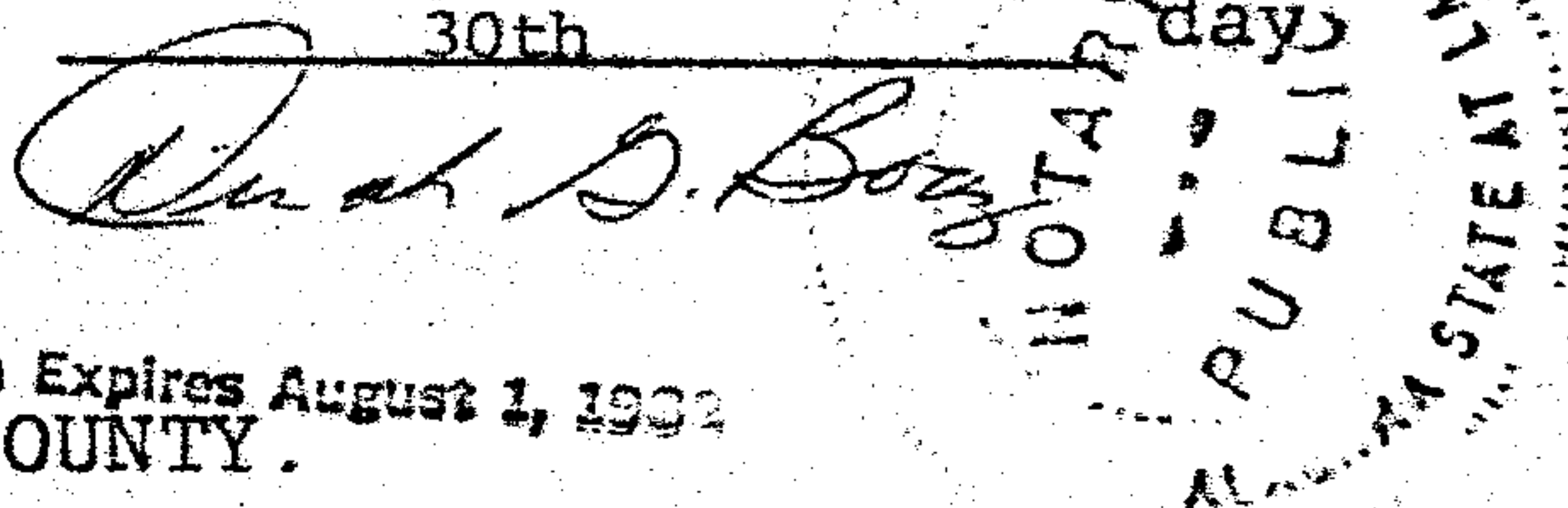
Thomas R. Seale

Barbara E. McEwen

THE STATE OF ALABAMA, SHELBY COUNTY.

I, Dinah G. Boaz, a notary public in and for said county, hereby certify that Barbara J. Atkins, whose name is signed to the foregoing POWER OF ATTORNEY, and who is known to me, acknowledged before me on this day, that being informed of the contents thereof, she voluntarily executed the same on the day of its date.

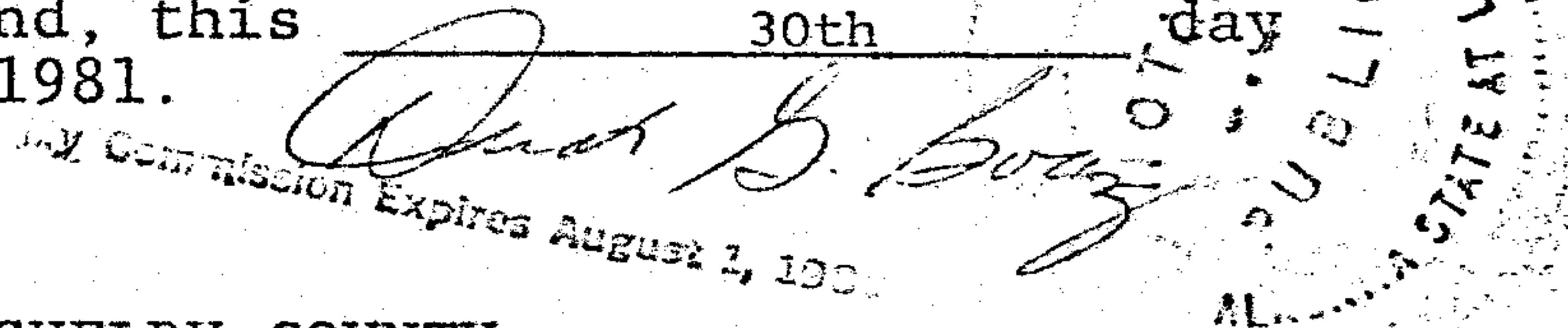
Given under my hand, this 30th day of May, 1981.



THE STATE OF ALABAMA, SHELBY COUNTY.

I, Dinah G. Boaz, hereby certify, that Thomas R. Seale a subscribing witness to the foregoing POWER OF ATTORNEY, known to me, appeared before me this day, and being sworn, stated that the maker of the POWER OF ATTORNEY voluntarily executed the same in his presence and in the presence of the other subscribing witness on the day same bears date.

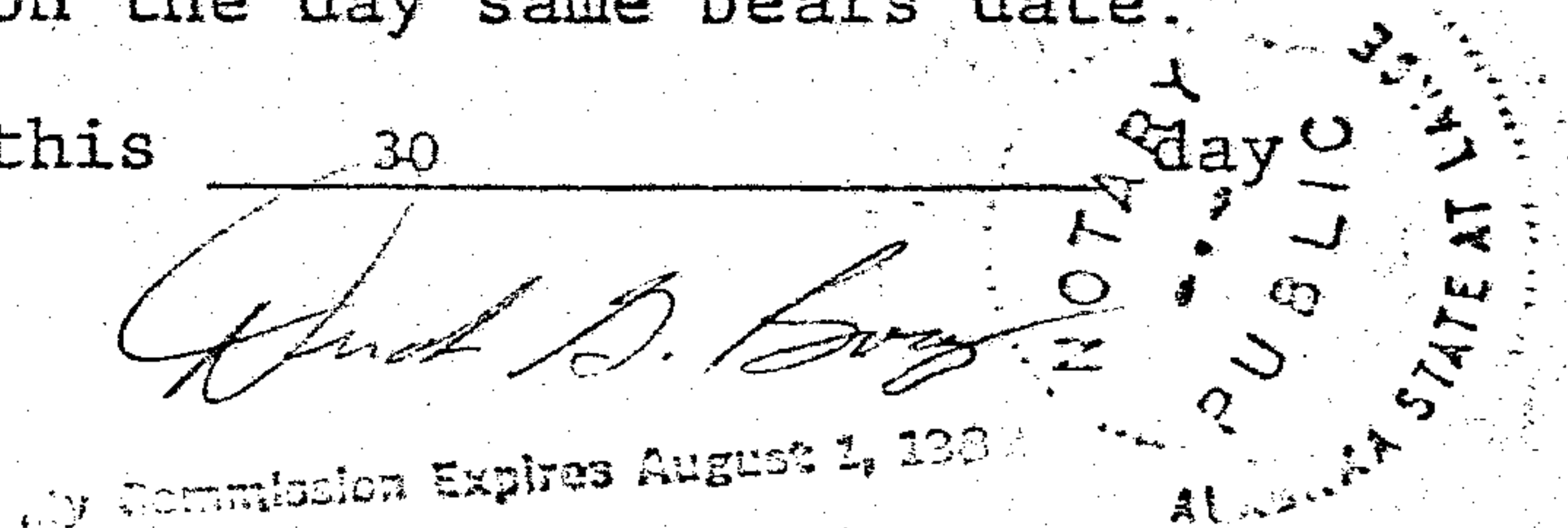
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THE STATE OF ALABAMA, SHELBY COUNTY.

I, Dinah G. Boaz, hereby certify, that Barbara E. McEwen a subscribing witness to the foregoing POWER OF ATTORNEY, known to me, appeared before me this day, and being sworn, stated that the maker of the POWER OF ATTORNEY voluntarily executed the same in his presence and in the presence of the other subscribing witness on the day same bears date.

Given under my hand, this 30 day of May, 1981



STATE OF ALA SHELBY CO.  
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Thomas R. Seale, Jr.  
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