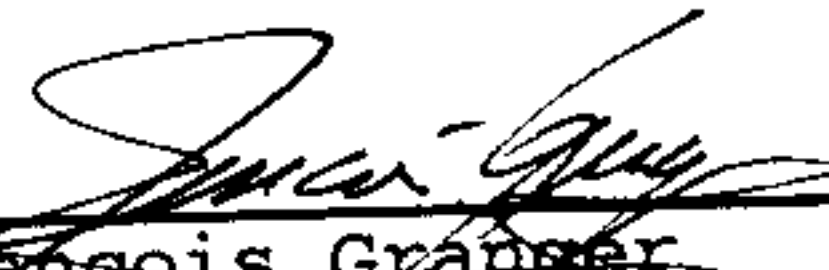


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AFFIDAVIT OF ATTORNEY-IN-FACT

I am Francois Granger, and I am the attorney-in-fact in a special durable power of attorney signed by Marie-Helene Trudel, as principal. On this date, I have executed documents, including notes and mortgages, obligating Marie-Helene Trudel, as principal. Marie-Helene Trudel signed the power of attorney of her own free will. At the time I exercised this power, I had had no actual notice of the termination of the power by revocation and to the best of my knowledge Marie-Helene Trudel, the principal, was alive at the time this power was exercised and had full knowledge of the real estate transaction taking place. This affidavit is made pursuant to the Code of Alabama 26-1-2.

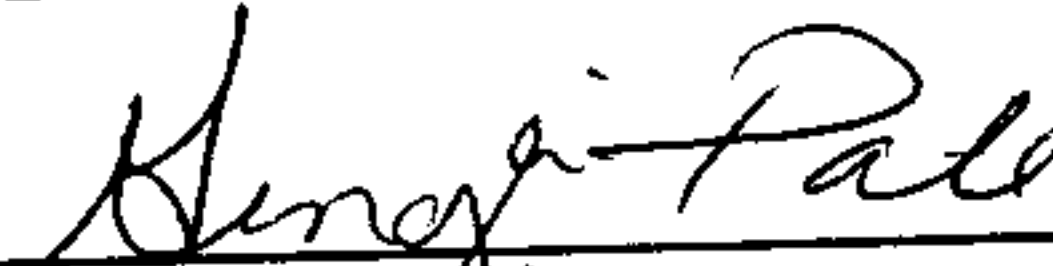


Francois Granger

State of Alabama
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I, the undersigned, a notary public in and for said County, in said State, hereby certify that Francois Granger, whose name is signed to the foregoing conveyance, and who is known to me, acknowledge before me on this day, that, being informed of the contents of the conveyance, he executed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date.

Give under my hand and seal this 15th day of February, 1996.



Notary Public

My commission expires:

3-30-99

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