

STATE OF ALABAMA  
SHELBY COUNTY

DURABLE GENERAL POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS that I, **RUTH BELL DATCHER**, with residence address of 2929 Creswell Road, Harpersville, AL 35078, being of sound mind and not being under any mental disability, incompetency or incapacity, do hereby nominate, constitute and appoint my son, **Albert D. Datcher, Jr.**, as and for my true and lawful attorney-in-fact under the provisions of and in accordance with Section 26-1-2, 1975 Code of Alabama, so that this power of attorney shall not be affected by my subsequent disability, incompetency or incapacity. I hereby bestow and vest my said attorney-in-fact with the following powers for me and in my name and on my behalf:

(1) Ask, demand, sue for, collect, recover and receive all sums of money, payments, checks, debts, accounts, interest, legacies, bequests, dividends, bond coupons, annuities and demands whatsoever as are now or shall hereafter become due, owing, payable or belonging to me, and perform lawful acts in my name or on my behalf, and compromise and agree to the same and give discharges or releases, and accept service of process or other notice of legal proceedings;

(2) Make, do and transact all and every kind of business of whatever nature he considers necessary; draw checks and make withdrawals on my bank accounts or any other financial accounts, and make deposits therein, and perform any and all other banking functions, or matters involving my financial affairs; buy, sell, liquidate, invest, reinvest, or make any transactions involving stocks, bonds, mutual or other funds, accounts, or other securities;

(3) Act for me in any and all matters concerning all property which may be mine at the present time, and which may hereafter become mine, or to which I may now or hereafter be entitled to receive, whether the same be real, personal, or mixed, wherever the same may be situated. I specifically appoint, empower, and authorize my said attorney to act for me as he sees fit in order to protect my interests, and I do hereby specifically grant to and vest in my said attorney full power and authority in my name to sell, at private sale or public sale, and to convey, lease, exchange, mortgage, pledge, and otherwise alienate any or all of my said property, or any interest therein, on such terms as he deems to be proper, in his sole discretion, without the order or authority of any Court;

(4) Make all arrangements and execute all papers and documents that may be necessary or desirable hereafter to cause me to be admitted to and maintained in a Hospital, Nursing Home, or other medical, convalescent, or medical facility or boarding facility of any nature, should the same become necessary or desirable in the sole discretion of my said attorney;

(5) Make all decisions concerning medical or surgical treatment, administration of medicine or drugs, and in sum, have authority to make any decisions involving my physical or mental health or well-being.

(6) Institute, enforce, and defend any and all claims, rights, lawsuits or legal proceedings brought against or on behalf of me, and compromise, settle, arbitrate or litigate any claims, disputes or controversies in regard thereto;

(7) Have authority to handle my affairs as he deems appropriate and particularly, initiate any such actions or otherwise as may be necessary to remove my nephew, Walter L. Datcher, from my property.

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*Ruth Bell Datcher*

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This Durable General Power of Attorney, and the authority and powers herein granted, shall not, however, give or grant my said attorney the authority or power to modify or revoke my Last Will and testament, nor to make any testamentary dispositions of my property, nor any part thereof.

Giving and granting unto the said Albert D. Datcher, Jr., as my true and lawful attorney, from this day forward, so that this Power of Attorney shall not be affected by my said subsequent disability, incompetency, or incapacity--and subject only to the sole limitations as specifically set forth in the preceding paragraph--full power and authority to do and perform all and every act or thing whatsoever requisite and necessary to be done in and about the premises (including but not limited to the specific powers granted herein) as full to all intent and purposes as I might or could do if personally present and not disabled, incompetent, or incapacitated, it being my purpose and intention to grant unto my said attorney all of the powers over my said property and estate that I am capable of granting to him as such attorney, all without the order or approval of any court.

I hereby ratify and confirm all that the said Albert D. Datcher, Jr., as my true and lawful attorney, shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of the presents.

I hereby nominate and appoint the said Albert D. Datcher, Jr., by this Durable General Power of Attorney, to be my guardian, curator, conservator, and other fiduciary, in the event of my disability, incompetency, or incapacity, without bond.

It is my intention that notwithstanding my subsequent disability, incompetency or incapacity, this power of attorney shall remain in full force and effect until expressly revoked or amended as provided by law, provided that such revocation or amendment shall be of no effect with respect to parties acting or things done in reliance upon this durable power of attorney prior to the actual receipt by them of written notice of such revocation or amendment.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I set my hand and seal this 29 day of June, 1999.

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Witness

Ruth Bell Datcher (SEAL)  
Ruth Bell Datcher

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I, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for said County, in said State, hereby certify that Ruth Bell Datcher, whose name was signed to the foregoing instrument in my presence, and who is known to me, acknowledged before me on this day, that, being informed of all contents of the foregoing Durable Power of Attorney, she executed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date.

Given under my hand and official seal this 29<sup>th</sup> day of June, 1999.

Lance Haskett  
Notary Public