

STATE OF ILLINOIS )  
LAKE COUNTY )

**DURABLE POWER OF ATTORNEY**

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that I, BETTY JEAN THOMMESSEN, a resident of GURNEE, LAKE County, ILLINOIS, do hereby constitute and appoint my daughter, LINDA LEE OAKES, as my Attorney-in-Fact; and I hereby grant unto my said Attorney-in-Fact full power and authority to buy or sell for me and in my name any real or personal property which I may now own or hereafter acquire, and to execute the proper instruments to consummate the transactions; to collect money for me, and give receipts for same; to make investments for me in stocks, bonds, mortgages, unsecured notes or any other personal property that my Attorney-in-Fact so desires; to make investments for me in real estate; to satisfy for me and in my name the record of any mortgage that I may now own or give notes as an evidence of the indebtedness; to lease any and all property which I may own or have an interest in; to draw checks and endorse checks for me on any account in any bank in which I have funds or hereafter have funds; to execute any and all instruments that are necessary or proper in conducting any business affairs for me; and generally to perform any act in the management of my business that I might legally be able to do so in person. I hereby ratify and confirm whatsoever my said Attorney-in-Fact might lawfully do under and by virtue of this Power of Attorney.

This Power of Attorney shall not be affected by disability, incompetency, or incapacity of the principal.

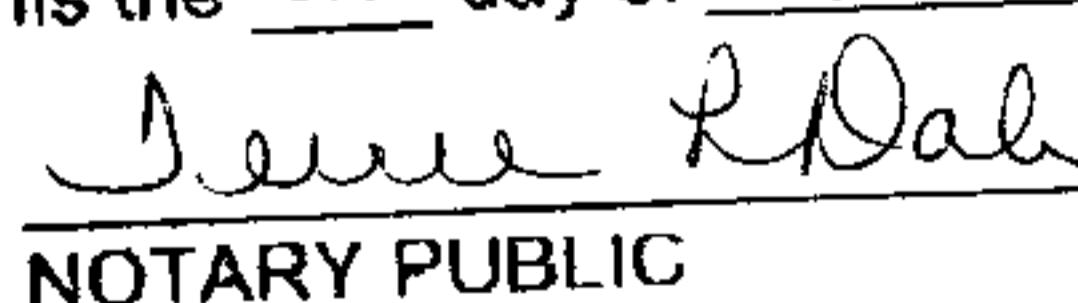
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal on this the 3RD day of AUGUST, 1999.

  
BETTY JEAN THOMMESSEN

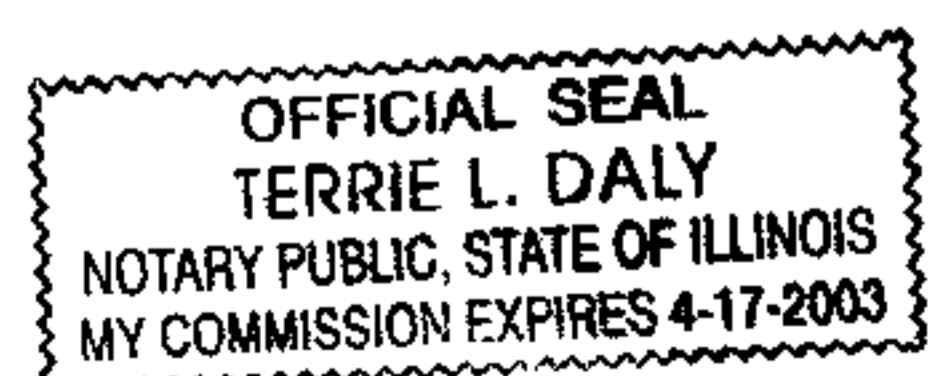
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I, the undersigned authority, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, hereby certify that BETTY JEAN THOMMESSEN whose name is signed to the foregoing document, and who is known to me, acknowledged before me on this day that, being informed of the contents of the document, she executed same voluntarily on the day the same bears date.

Given under my hand and official seal, this the 3rd day of August, 1999.

  
NOTARY PUBLIC

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