

STATE OF ALABAMA
ETOWAH COUNTY

DURABLE POWER OF ATTORNEY

Know All Men by These Presents, which are intended to constitute a Durable Power of Attorney, That I, Dorothy J. Abernathy, the undersigned, of 655 Highway 260, Maylene, Al. 35114, Country of Shelby, State of Alabama, do hereby make, constitute and appoint my daughter, Deborah A. Russell my true and Lawful Attorney in Fact, for me and in my name, place and stead, and on my behalf and for my use and Benefit.

To exercise or 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 whatsoever;

To request, ask, demand, sue for, recover, collect, receive, and hold and possess all such sums of money, debts, dues, commercial paper, checks, drafts, accounts, deposits, legacies, bequests, devises, notes, interests, stock certificates, bonds, dividends, certificates of deposit, annuities, pension and retirement benefits, insurance benefits and proceeds, any and all documents of title, choses in action personal and real property, tangible and intangible property and property rights, and demands whatsoever, liquidated and unliquidated, as now are, or shall hereafter become, owned by me or due, owing, payable, or belonging to, me or in which I have or may hereafter acquire 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;

To lease, purchase, exchange and acquire, and to agree, bargain, and contract for the lease, purchase, exchange, and acquisition of, and to accept, take, receive, and possess any real or personal property whatsoever, tangible or intangible, or interest thereon, on such terms and conditions, and under such covenants, as my said Attorney in fact shall deem proper,

To maintain, repair, improve, manage, insure, rent, lease, sell, convey, subject to liens,

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mortgage, subject to deeds of trust, and hypothecate, and in any way or manner deal with all or any part of any real or personal property whatsoever, tangible or intangible, or any interest therein, that I now own or may hereafter acquire, for me, in my behalf, and in my name and under such terms and conditions, and under such covenants, as my said Attorney in Fact shall deem proper;

To conduct, engage in, and transact any and all lawful business of whatever nature or kind for me, on my behalf, and in my name;

I grant to my said Attorney in Fact full power and authority to do, take, and perform all and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, proper, or necessary to be done, in the exercise of any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully to all intents and purposes as I might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that my said Attorney in Fact, or his substitute, shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this power of attorney and the rights and powers herein granted.

This instrument is to be construed and interpreted as a durable and general power of attorney. The enumeration of specific items, rights, acts, and powers herein granted are not to be construed as restricting the general powers herein granted to my Attorney in Fact.

The rights, powers, and authority of my said Attorney in Fact herein granted shall commence upon the due execution of this instrument by myself; the authority conferred herein shall not be affected by disability, incompetency, or incapacity of the said principal, Dorothy J. Abernathy and such rights, powers, and authority shall remain in full force and effect thereafter until actual verbal or written notice of revocation is given by the principal to the Attorney in Fact or until the principal executes another power of attorney and designates another Attorney in Fact. Any action taken in good faith pursuant to the foregoing authority without knowledge of my death shall be binding upon me, my heirs, assigns and personal representatives.

In witness whereof, as Principal, I have signed this Durable Power of Attorney at 800 Forrest Avenue, Gadsden, Etowah County, Alabama, this 3rd day of March, 1998, and I direct that photographic copies of this power be made which shall have the same force and effect as an original.

Dorothy J. Abernathy
Dorothy J. Abernathy

STATE OF ALABAMA
ETOWAH COUNTY

I, Alaine D. Lurin, a Notary Public in and for said County in said

State, hereby certify that Dorothy J. Abernathy, whose name is signed to the foregoing Durable Power of Attorney, contained on this and the preceding two pages, and who is know to me, acknowledged before me on this day that, being informed of the contents of said Durable Power of attorney, she executed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date.

Given under my hand this the 3rd day of March, 1998.

Alaine D. Lurin
Notary Public
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Fees:

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| Mental Health | \$2.00 |
| Probate Judge | \$3.00 |
| Certification | \$1.00 |
| Recording | \$7.50 |
| Index | \$0.00 |
| Deed Tax | \$0.00 |
| Mortg. Tax | \$0.00 |
| Satisfac. Fee | \$0.00 |
| Total Fees | \$13.50 |

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U.C.C. FILE NUMBER OR
REC. BK. & PG. AS SHOWN ABOVE
BOBBY M. JUNKINS
JUDGE OF PROBATE

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