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STATE OF ALABAMA

SHELBY COUNTY

DURABLE POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That I/WE, the undersigned, RICHARD L. NELSON AND AMY NELSON, do hereby appoint RONALD P. KIRKSEY my/our lawful attorney-in-fact in all matters relating to the sale of my/our real estate located at 13010 PARK FOREST TRAIL ALABASTER, AL 35007, SHELBY County, Alabama, and described as follows:


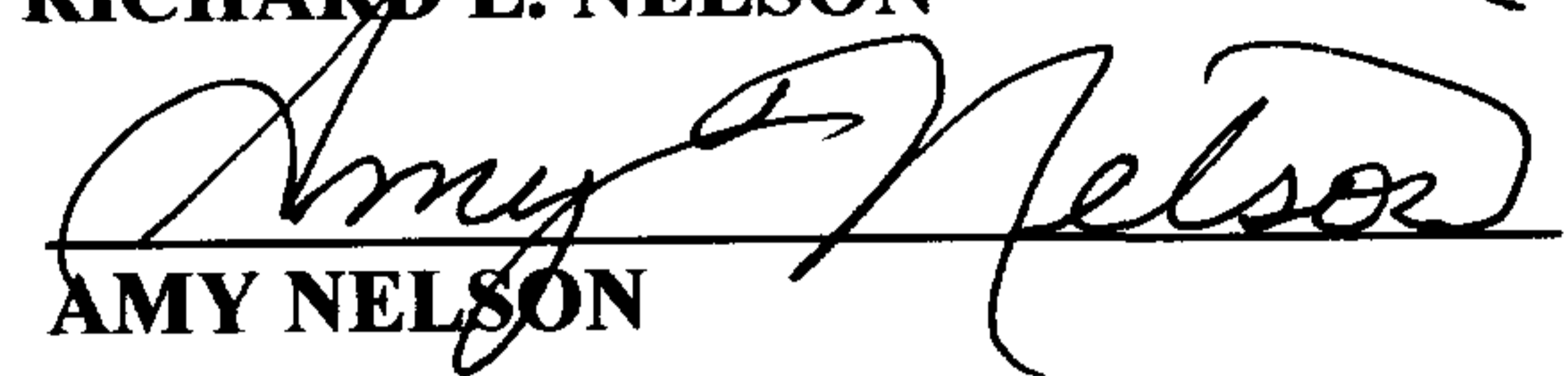
LOT 150-A, ACCORDING TO A RESURVEY OF WEATHERLY SECTOR 4, RECORDED IN MAP BOOK 20, PAGE 48, IN THE PROBATE OFFICE OF SHELBY COUNTY, ALABAMA.

I/WE hereby specifically authorize RONALD P. KIRKSEY to execute on my behalf all papers necessary to complete the sale of the above property, including, but not limited to all waivers, contracts, deeds, disclosures, settlement statements and any other documents required to be executed by any Bank, Savings and Loan, Mortgage Company, or Realty Company in connection with any mortgage or contract to do all acts and things as fully and effectually in all respects as I would do if present.

It is my intent that this Power of Attorney shall be a Durable Power of Attorney pursuant to Section 26-1-2 Code of Alabama 1975, as amended. This Power of Attorney shall not be affected by disability, incompetency or incapacity of the principal.

And I hereby declare that any act or thing lawfully done hereunder by my said attorney shall be binding on me, and my heirs, legal personal representatives, and assigns; whether the same shall have been done before or after my death, or other revocation of this instrument, unless and until reliable intelligence or notice thereof shall have been received by any person acting in reliance hereon. This Power of Attorney may be filed for record in any public office and shall expire 60 days from the date of execution.

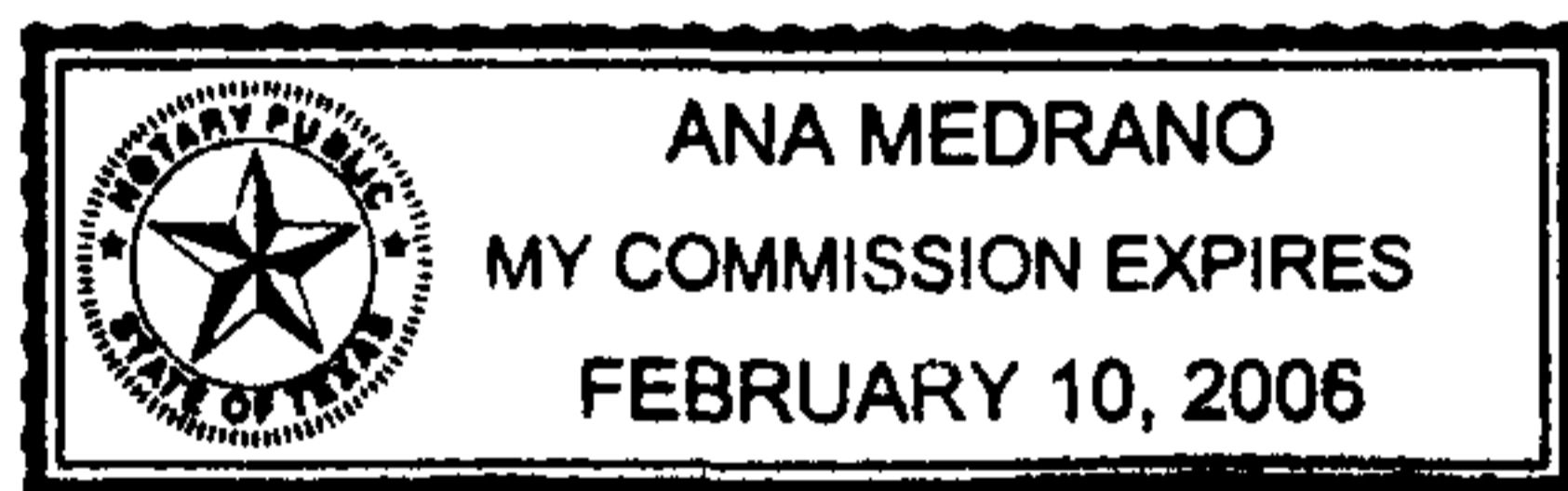
WITNESS my hand and seal this 27th day of MAY, 2003.


RICHARD L. NELSON

AMY NELSON

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF HARRIS

I, the undersigned Notary Public in and for said County in said State, hereby certifies that RICHARD L. NELSON AND AMY NELSON, whose name are signed to the foregoing Durable Power of Attorney, and who are known to me, acknowledged before me on this day that, being informed of the contents of the Durable Power of Attorney, they executed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date.

Given under my hand and official seal this 27th of MAY, 2003.




Notary Public

My commission expires: Feb. 10, 2006