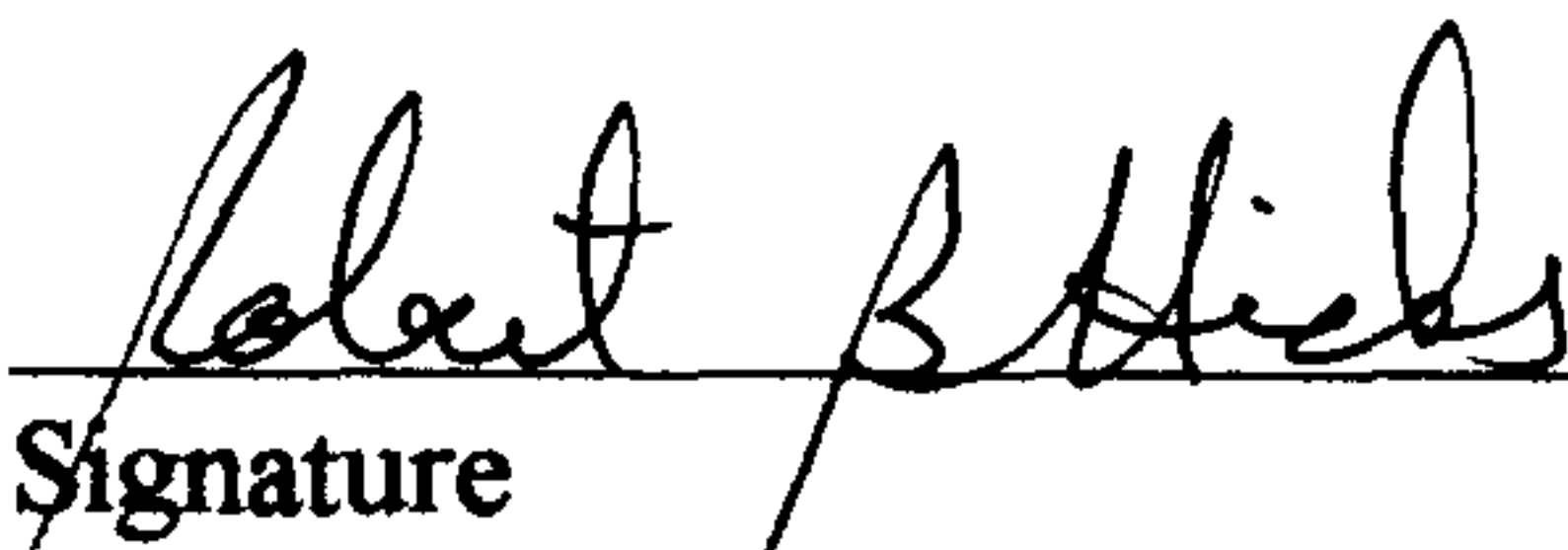


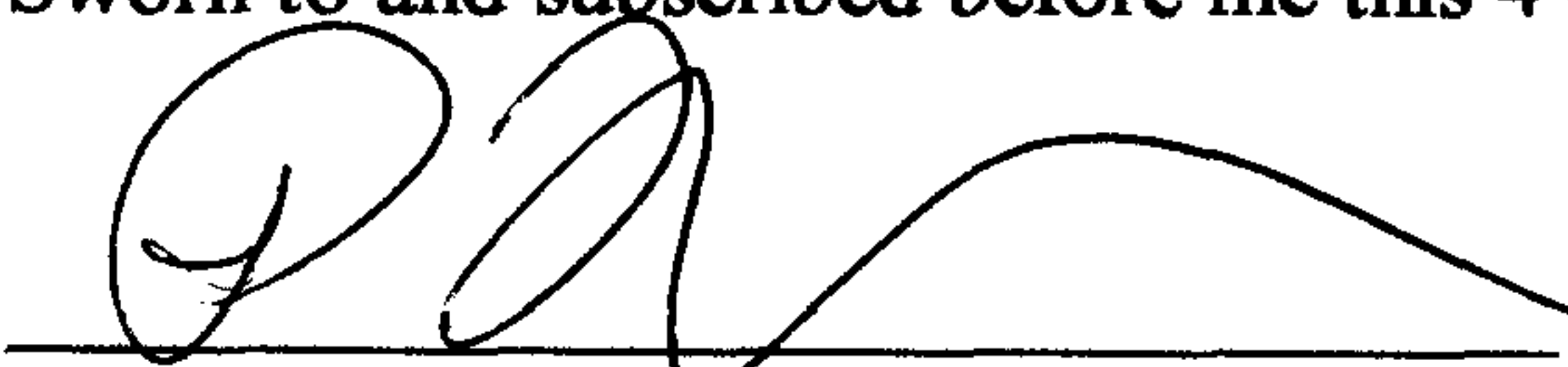
## OATH OF OFFICE

STATE OF ALABAMA  
SHELBY COUNTY  
CITY OF ALABASTER

I, Robert B. Hicks, solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Alabama, so long as I continue a citizen thereof, and that I will faithfully and honestly discharge the duties of the office upon which I am about to enter, to the best of my ability, so help me God.

  
Signature

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 4 day of October, 2004.

  
Patricia Yeager Fuhrmeister  
Judge of Probate – Shelby County