

## Mortgage Release and Power Of Attorney

STATE OF ALABAMA

SHELBY COUNTY

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: That the debt secured by that certain mortgage executed by RICKY L NIX AND PATRICIA A NIX, A MARRIED COUPLE in favor of SouthFirst Bank (Formerly, First Federal of the South) dated the 5<sup>th</sup> day of January, 1996 and recorded in the office of the Judge of Probate of Shelby County, Alabama in Mortgage Book Instrument 1996-01206 has been paid in full, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, and that SouthFirst Bank does by these presents constitute, appoint and confirm Shelby County Judge of Probate its true and lawful attorney, in fact its name and stead, and on its behalf, to enter a complete discharge and satisfaction of said mortgage on the margin of said record, and does hereby ratify and confirm the acts of its said attorney in the premises, as fully as if done in its own proper person.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the SouthFirst Bank has hereunto set its hand and seal, this the  $7^{\rm th}$  day of March, 2006.

SOUTHFIRST BANK

MARK HAYNES, SENIOR VICE-PRESIDENT

## STATE OF ALABAMA, TALLADEGA COUNTY

I, the undersigned Notary Public in and for said County, in said State hereby certify that MARK HAYNES whose name as Senior Vice President of the SouthFirst Bank FKA First Federal of the South, a Corporation, is signed to the foregoing Power of Attorney, and who is known to me, acknowledged before me on this day that, being informed of the contents of the Power of Attorney, he, as such officer and with full authority executed the same for and as the act of said Corporation, voluntarily on the day the same bears date.

This document prepared by:

Karen Taylor SouthFirst Bank P.O. Box 167 Sylacauga, Alabama 35150

Notary Public

MY COMMISSION EXPIRES JAN. 10, 2010