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STATE OF ALABAMA  
COUNTY OF SHELBY

**SPECIFIC DURABLE POWER OF ATTORNEY**

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That I, the undersigned, **Royce Ballard** appoint, **Mechelle B. Finn** to be my lawful attorney-in-fact, for me in my name, place and stead, and for my use and benefit:

To refinance the real property located in Helena, Alabama, more particularly described as follows:

See Attached Exhibit A for Legal Description

on such terms and conditions as she shall deem proper, including the execution of any and all documents necessary to complete the loan in the amount of \$1,100,000.00 with SouthFirst Bank, its Successors and/or Assigns, such as, but not limited to contracts, waivers, receipts, notes, mortgages, truth-in-lending documents, deeds, tax forms, and any and all other documents appropriate to complete the refinancing of the above described property.

GIVING AND GRANTING unto said attorney full power and authority to do and perform all and every act, deed, matter, and thing whatsoever in and about my estate, property, and affairs as fully and effectually to all intents and purposes as I might or could do in my own proper person if personally present, the above specially enumerated powers being in said aid and exemplification of the full, complete, and general power herein granted, and not in limitation or definition thereof; and hereby ratifying all that my said attorney shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of these presents.

And I hereby declare that any act or thing lawfully done hereunder by my said attorney shall be binding on myself, and my heirs, legal and 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 actually received by my attorney. Further, this power of attorney shall not be affected by disability, incompetency or incapacity of the principal it being my intention this document constitutes a special durable power of attorney. This Durable Power of Attorney is executed pursuant to Alabama Code §26-1-2.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 14<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2008

  
Royce Ballard

State of Kansas )  
County of Johnson )


I, the undersigned, in and for said County in said State, hereby certify that Royce Ballard, whose name is signed to the foregoing Special Durable Power of Attorney, and who is known to me, acknowledged before me on this day that, being informed of the contents of the Special Durable Power of Attorney, she executed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND OFFICIAL SEAL THIS 14<sup>th</sup> DAY OF APRIL, 2008.

  
Notary Public

My Commission Expires: March 21, 2011

Eileen E. Dees  
Notary Public  
State of Kansas  
My Appointment Expires 3/21/2011

  
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