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CERTIFICATION OF TRUST FOR CLOWDUS FAMILY TRUST
and
The Gale C. Richardson Subtrust

The undersigned, Gale C. Richardson, being first duly sworn, deposes and says she is at least nineteen (19) years of age and is currently serving as trustee for the Clowdus Family Trust and each of its subtrust (sometimes hereinafter, individually and collectively, referred to as the “trust”), and further states as follows:

1. The Clowdus Family Trust is a valid, existing trust, having been created by that certain instrument entitled “Activation and Funding of the Clowdus Family Trust” in conjunction with the execution of the Last Will and Testament of Gene Clowdus, on August 23, 2018.

2. The original settlor of the trust is:

Gene Clowdus

3. The name and address of the current trustee are:

Gale C. Richardson at 350 Grandview Drive, Brent, AL 35034

4. The trust is irrevocable.

5. The Clowdus Family Trust is further divided and apportioned among three (3) subtrusts, one each for the three primary beneficiaries under the Clowdus Family Trust, namely:

The Betty Ruth Clowdus Subtrust;
The Betty Gene Clowdus Eldridge Subtrust; and,
The Gale C. Richardson Subtrust.

6. The employer identification number assigned to the **Gale C. Richardson Subtrust** is:

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7. Trust property of The Gale C. Richardson Subtrust, should be titled as follows:

Gale C. Richardson, as Trustee of the Clowdus Family Trust for the Benefit of
Gale C. Richardson and Family

8. The administrative and/or managerial powers of the Trustee include in pertinent part, and said Trustee has full and complete authority in the name of Clowdus Family Trust, and each of its three (3) subtrusts, as follows:

“To hold and continue to hold as an investment the real or personal property received hereunder, and any additional property which may be received or acquired by the Trustee, so long as the Trustee deems proper, and to invest and reinvest in any securities or property, including any securities of a corporate Trustee, if any, whether or not income producing (subject to my spouse’s right to direct that the assets held in trust for my spouse for which a qualified terminable interest property election is made shall be made productive or income producing), deemed by the Trustee to be for the best interest of the trust and the beneficiaries hereunder, without being limited to trusts or chancery investments or so-called “legal investments” provided by law, and notwithstanding that the same may constitute leaseholds, royalty interests, patents, interests in mines, oil and gas wells, or timber lands or other wasting assets, and without any responsibility for any depreciation or loss by or on account of such investments, and without regard for normal requirements of diversification; and to create reserves for depreciation, depletion or such other purposes to the extent the Trustee deems necessary or desirable in accordance with applicable law.

Clowdus Family Trust, at page 20 (emphasis supplied). And,

“To sell, transfer, assign, convey, or grant options or otherwise dispose of any or all of the property of the trust or any interest therein, whether real or personal property, or to exchange the same for other property, in a public or private sale or transaction, for such price or prices and upon such terms and conditions as in the Trustee’s discretion and judgment may be deemed for the best interests of the trust and the beneficiaries hereunder, and to execute and deliver any deeds or conveyances (with or without warranty), receipts, releases, contracts, or other instruments necessary in connection therewith.

Clowdus Family Trust, at page 20. And,

“To open and maintain one or more bank, custodian, certificate of deposits, investment, or other accounts in any bank, trust company or financial or brokerage firm, and to deposit to the credit of such account or accounts the funds belonging to the trust which may at the time be in the possession of the Trustee; from time to time to withdraw a portion or all of said funds so deposited by check or draft signed by the Trustee, and any such bank, trust company or financial institution is hereby authorized to pay such checks and also to receive the same for deposit, to the credit of any holder thereof who so signed or endorsed; to delegate to any one or more of the Trustee’s agents the right to sign checks against the aforementioned account or accounts for the purposes of the trust, and any bank or trust company in which said account or accounts are maintained is hereby authorized and directed to pay such checks, provided, however, that prior thereto such delegation is evidenced by an

appropriate instrument in writing deposited with the said bank or trust company by the Trustee”

Clowdus Family Trust, at page 23. And also,

“To make, execute and deliver mortgages, conveyances, options, receipts, releases, satisfactions and other quit claims or disclaimers of liability, contracts, . . . or other instruments, sealed or unsealed, to any person or entity with respect to the property of any of the trusts, or with references to any matter involved in the administration thereof, or for the accomplishment of any of the powers vested in the Trustee, all of the foregoing upon such terms, provisions and conditions existing within or beyond the duration of any trust created hereunder, as to the Trustee shall seem reasonable; and, upon such terms and conditions as my said fiduciary, in their sole discretion and judgment, may be deemed for the best interests of or as they may determine advisable or helpful for any trust established hereunder or any of my beneficiaries hereunder”

Clowdus Family Trust, at page 24.

9. Those trust provisions not referenced herein are of a confidential and personal nature and primarily set forth ultimate benefits and distributions of trust property. The Trustee is under fiduciary duty to keep those provisions not cited herein fully confidential. These additional provisions do not modify the aforesaid administrative powers of the Trustee to hold, acquire, establish, invest, sell, or otherwise dispose of trust assets during her administration of the trust.
10. The signature of the aforesaid Trustee for the Clowdus Family Trust and each of its subtrusts, is sufficient to bind said respective entity, as well as being sufficient to otherwise transact business on behalf, or in the name, of said trust, any of its subtrusts, and to authenticate the same.
11. The said Clowdus Family Trust, nor The Gale C. Richardson Subtrust, has not been revoked, modified, or amended in any manner that would cause the representations and statements contained herein to be incorrect. Furthermore, in order to further induce the recipient in reliance on this certification, and as additional consideration for any of the transactions entered into or made as a result of this certification, the undersigned does hereby further agree to indemnify and hold said recipient free and harmless from any and all claims, demands, losses, damages, and expenses of any kind or nature whatsoever resulting or arising from the reliance of said recipient upon this certification or the inaccuracy of any of the facts and representations set forth herein.

This Certification is provided, this the 28th day of February, 2020.

Clowdus Family Trust

Gale C. Richardson Trustee
Gale C. Richardson as Trustee of the
Clowdus Family Trust and The Gale C.
Richardson Subtrust

SWORN TO AND ACKNOWLEDGED, this the 28th day of February, 2020.

(Seal)



Deborah G. Leonard
Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

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