

Durable Power of Attorney

NOTICE: THE POWERS GRANTED BY THIS DOCUMENT ARE BROAD AND SWEEPING. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT THESE POWERS, OBTAIN COMPETENT LEGAL ADVICE. THIS DOCUMENT DOES NOT AUTHORIZE ANYONE TO MAKE MEDICAL AND OTHER HEALTH-CARE DECISIONS FOR YOU. YOU MAY REVOKE THIS DURABLE POWER OF ATTORNEY IF YOU LATER WISH TO DO SO.

Definition of Agent

As used in this document, the term "Agent" shall include all agent(s), attorney(s)-in-fact, attorneys-in-fact / agents, and mandatory or mandataries who are appointed herein.

TO ALL PERSONS, be it known, that I, Elvie Underwood Schooley, the undersigned Principal, who resides at 2307 County Rd 46,
City of Montevallo, County of Chilton,
State of Alabama, do hereby appoint John Timothy Schooley as my Agent, and _____ as my Agent, who ☐ must act jointly ☒ may act separately on my behalf.

At the time of the execution of this Durable Power of Attorney,
John Timothy Schooley resides at 2307 County Rd 46,
City of Montevallo, County of Chilton, State of Alabama.

At the time of the execution of this Durable Power of Attorney,
_____ resides at _____,
City of _____, County of _____, State of _____.

If one of my Agents is unable to serve for any reason, ☐ I authorize the remaining named Agent to act as my sole Agent OR ☐ I designate _____, residing at _____, City of _____, County of _____, State of _____, to serve in that person's place.

If both of my Agents are unable to serve for any reason, I designate _____, residing at _____, City of _____, County of _____, State of _____, as my Successor Agent.

Grant of General Authority

My Agent shall care for, manage, control, and handle all of my business, financial, property, and personal affairs in my name, place, and stead in as full and complete a manner in which I myself could do, if I were personally present, with respect to the following matters, to the extent that I am permitted by law to act through such a representative and subject to any limitations on or additions to the specified powers inserted after the following:

(NOTICE: The Principal must write his or her initials in the corresponding blank space for each of the subdivisions (A) through (M) below for which the Principal WANTS to give the Agent authority. If the corresponding blank space for any particular subdivision is NOT initialled, NO AUTHORITY WILL BE GRANTED for those matters specified in the subdivision. ALTERNATIVELY, the letter corresponding to each power the Principal wishes to grant has been referenced in subdivision "(N)", and the Principal may initial in the blank space to the left of subdivision "(N)" in order to grant each of the powers so indicated.)

 **(A) Real property transactions.** To lease, sell, mortgage, purchase, exchange, and acquire, and to agree, bargain, and contract for the lease, sale, purchase, exchange, and acquisition of, and to accept, take, receive, and possess any interest in real property whatsoever, on such terms and conditions, and under such covenants, as my Agent shall deem proper; and to maintain, repair, tear down, alter, rebuild, improve, manage, insure, move, rent, lease, sell, convey, subject to liens, mortgages, and security deeds, and in any way or manner deal with all or any part of any interest in real property whatsoever, including specifically, but without limitation, real property lying and being situated in the State of Alabama, under such terms and conditions, and under such covenants, as my Agent shall deem proper and may for all deferred payments accept purchase money notes payable to me and secured by mortgages or deeds to secure debt, and may from time to time collect and cancel any of said notes, mortgages, security interests, or deeds to secure debt.

☐ **(B) Tangible personal property transactions.** To lease, sell, mortgage, purchase, exchange, and acquire, and to agree, bargain, and contract for the lease, sale, purchase, exchange, and acquisition of, and to accept, take, receive, and possess any personal property whatsoever, tangible or intangible, or interest thereto, on such terms and conditions, and under such covenants, as my Agent shall deem proper; and to maintain, repair, improve, manage, insure, rent, lease, sell, convey, subject to liens or mortgages, or to take any other security interests in said property which are recognized under the Uniform Commercial Code as adopted at that time under the laws of the State of Alabama or any applicable state, or otherwise hypothecate (pledge), and in any way or manner deal with all or any part of any real or personal property whatsoever, tangible or intangible, or any interest therein, that I own at the time of execution or may thereafter acquire, under such terms and conditions, and under such covenants, as my Agent shall deem proper.

☐ **(C) Stock and bond transactions.** To purchase, sell, exchange, surrender, assign, redeem, vote at any meeting, or otherwise transfer any and all shares of stock, bonds, or other securities in any business, association, corporation, partnership, or other legal entity, whether private or public, now or hereafter belonging to me.

☐ **(D) Commodity and option transactions.** To buy, sell, exchange, assign, convey, settle, and exercise commodities futures contracts and call and put options on stocks and stock indices traded on a regulated options exchange and collect and receipt for all proceeds of any such transactions; establish or continue option accounts for the Principal with any securities or futures broker; and, in general, exercise all powers with respect to commodities and options which the Principal could if present and under no disability.

☐ **(E) Banking and other financial institution transactions.** To make, receive, sign, endorse, execute, acknowledge, deliver, and possess checks, drafts, bills of exchange, letters of credit, notes, stock certificates, withdrawal receipts, and deposit instruments relating to accounts or deposits in, or certificates of deposit of banks, savings and loans, credit unions, or other institutions or associations. To pay all sums of money, at any time or times, that may hereafter be owing by me upon any account, bill of exchange, check, draft, purchase, contract, note, or trade acceptance made, executed, endorsed, accepted, and delivered by me or for me in my name, by my Agent. To borrow from time to time such sums of money as my Agent may deem proper and execute promissory notes, security deeds or agreements, financing statements, or other security instruments in such form as the lender may request and renew said notes and security instruments from time to time in whole or in part. To have free access at any time or times to any safe deposit box or vault to which I might have access.

☐ **(F) Business operating transactions.** To conduct, engage in, and otherwise transact the affairs of any and all lawful business ventures of whatever nature or kind that I may now or hereafter be involved in. To organize or continue and conduct any business which term includes, without limitation, any farming, manufacturing, service, mining, retailing, or other type of business operation in any form, whether as a proprietorship, joint venture, partnership, corporation, trust, or other legal entity; operate, buy, sell, expand, contract, terminate, or liquidate any business; direct, control, supervise, manage, or participate in the operation of any business and engage, compensate, and discharge business managers, employees, agents, attorneys, accountants, and consultants; and, in general, exercise all powers with respect to business interests and operations which the Principal could if present and under no disability.

☐ **(G) Insurance and annuity transactions.** To exercise or perform any act, power, duty, right, or obligation, in regard to any contract of life, accident, health, disability, liability, or other type of insurance or any combination of insurance; and to procure new or additional contracts of insurance for me and to designate or change the beneficiary of same; provided, however, that my Agent cannot designate himself or herself as beneficiary of any such insurance contracts, unless the Agent is my spouse or only child.

☐ **(H) Estate, trust, and other beneficiary transactions.** To accept, receipt for, exercise, release, reject, renounce, assign, disclaim, demand, sue for, claim, and recover any legacy, bequest, devise, gift, or other property interest or payment due or payable to or for the Principal; assert any interest in and exercise any power over any trust, estate, or property subject to fiduciary control; establish a revocable trust solely for the benefit of the Principal that terminates at the death of the Principal and is then distributable to the legal representative of the estate of the Principal; and, in general, exercise all powers with respect to estates and trusts which the Principal could exercise if present and under no disability; provided, however, that the Agent may not make or change a will and may not revoke or amend a trust revocable or amendable by the Principal or require the trustee of any trust for the benefit of the Principal to pay income or Principal to the Agent unless specific authority to that end is given.

☐ **(I) Claims and litigation.** To commence, prosecute, discontinue, or defend all actions or other legal proceedings touching my property, real or personal, or any part thereof, or touching any matter in which I or my property, real or personal, may be in any way concerned. To defend, settle, adjust, make allowances, compound, submit to arbitration, and compromise all accounts, reckonings, claims, and demands whatsoever that now are, or hereafter shall be, pending between me and any person, firm, corporation, or other legal entity, in such manner and in all respects as my Agent shall deem proper.

☐ **(J) Personal and family maintenance.** To hire accountants, attorneys at law, consultants, clerks, physicians, nurses, agents, servants, workmen, and others, and to remove them, and to appoint others in their place, and to pay and allow the persons so employed such salaries, wages, or other remunerations, as my Agent shall deem proper.

☐ **(K) Benefits from Social Security, Medicare, Medicaid, or other governmental programs, or military service.** To prepare, sign, and file any claim or application for Social Security, unemployment, or military service benefits; sue for, settle, or abandon any claims to any benefit or assistance under any federal, state, local, or foreign statute or regulation; control, deposit to any account, collect, receipt for, and take title to and hold all benefits under any Social Security, unemployment, military service, or other state, federal, local or foreign statute or regulation; and, in general, exercise all powers with respect to Social Security, unemployment, military service, and governmental benefits, including but not limited to Medicare and Medicaid, which the Principal could exercise if present and under no disability.

☐ **(L) Retirement plan transactions.** To contribute to, withdraw from, and deposit funds in any type of retirement plan (which term includes, without limitation, any tax qualified or nonqualified pension, profit sharing, stock bonus, employee savings, and other retirement plan, individual retirement account, deferred compensation plan, and any other type of employee benefit plan); select and change payment options for the Principal under any retirement plan; make rollover contributions from any retirement plan to other retirement plans or individual retirement accounts; exercise all investment powers available under any type of self-directed retirement plan; and, in general, exercise all powers with respect to retirement plans and retirement plan account balances which the Principal could if present and under no disability.

☐ **(M) Tax matters.** To prepare, to make elections, to execute, and to file all tax, Social Security, unemployment insurance, and informational returns required by the laws of the United States, or of any state or subdivision thereof, or of any foreign government; to prepare, to execute, and to file all other papers and instruments which the Agent shall think to be desirable or necessary for safeguarding of me against excess or illegal taxation or against penalties imposed for claimed violation of any law or other governmental regulation; and to pay, to compromise, or to contest or to apply for refunds in connection with any taxes or assessments for which I am or may be liable.

☐ **(N) ALL OF THE MATTERS LISTED ABOVE.** YOU NEED NOT INITIAL ANY OTHER LINES IF YOU INITIAL LINE (N).

Grant of Specific Authority (Optional)

My Agent MAY NOT do any of the following specific acts for me UNLESS I have INITIALED the specific authority listed below:

(CAUTION: Granting any of the following will give your Agent the authority to take actions that could significantly reduce your property or change how your property is distributed at your death. INITIAL ONLY the specific authority you WANT to give your Agent.)

☐ Create, amend, revoke or terminate an inter vivos trust.

☐ Make a gift.

☐ Create or change rights of survivorship.

☐ Create or change a beneficiary designation.

☐ Authorize another person to exercise the authority granted under this Durable Power of Attorney.

☐ Waive the Principal's right to be a beneficiary of a joint and survivor annuity, including a survivor benefit under a retirement plan.

☐ Exercise fiduciary powers that the Principal has authority to delegate.

☐ Disclaim or refuse an interest in property, including a power of appointment.

Limitation on Agent's Authority

An Agent that is not my ancestor, spouse, or descendant MAY NOT use my property to benefit the Agent or a person to whom the Agent owes an obligation of support unless I have included that authority in the Special Instructions.

Special Instructions (Optional)

Additional powers, if any, that are not inconsistent with the other provisions of this Durable Power of Attorney:

The powers granted hereinabove shall not include the following powers or shall be modified or limited in the following particulars:

Additional powers, if any, granted to the Agent with respect to any power listed above and not eliminated/struck out by the Principal:

Special Instructions for Gifts

Special instructions applicable to gifts (initial in front of the following sentence to have it apply):

☐ I grant my Agent the power to apply my property to make gifts to individuals, charities, or to the Agent, up to the amount of \$500 per year, per individual or entity, without signature of the Principal, as the Agent determines to be in the Principal's best interest.

Authorization for an Agent to make gifts or transfers of \$500 or more requires the Principal to execute a Major Gifts Rider at the same time as the Durable Power of Attorney document.

☐ I grant my Agent the power to make major gifts and transfers of my property set forth under the Major Gifts Rider.

Nomination of Guardian or Conservator (Optional)

In the event that a court decides that it is necessary to appoint a Guardian of my person or Conservator of my estate, I hereby nominate _____, who resides at _____, City of _____, County of _____, State of _____, to be considered by the court for appointment to serve as my Guardian or Conservator, or in any similar representative capacity.

Effective Date [Choose one and only one option.]

EMS This Durable Power of Attorney shall be effective immediately.

() This Durable Power of Attorney shall take effect in the event that I become mentally and/or physically incapacitated, as determined and certified in writing by my treating physician, to such an extent that I am unable to independently make important decisions in regard to the management of my own property and finances.

Durable Provision

This Durable Power of Attorney shall not be affected by any lapse of time, and shall not be affected by the subsequent incapacity of the Principal except as provided by statute in the State of Alabama, and all acts done by the Agent under the power granted herein during any period of the Principal's disability or incapacity shall have the same effect and inure to the benefit of and bind the Principal and Principal's successors in interest as if the Principal were competent and not disabled.

My Agent hereby accepts this appointment subject to its terms and agrees to act and perform in the said fiduciary capacity and observe the standards of care applicable to trustees as described by relevant Alabama statute consistent with my best interests as his, her, or their best discretion deem advisable, and I affirm and ratify all acts so undertaken.

If the Agent is a corporate Agent, the Agent shall not use my assets for its benefit, nor the benefit of its officers or directors.

If this Durable Power of Attorney is revoked or terminated, such revocation or termination for any reason in accordance with law shall be ineffective as to any Agent unless and until actual notice or knowledge of such revocation or termination shall have been received by the Agent.

My subsequent death shall not revoke or terminate the agency granted herein as to my Agent who, without actual knowledge of my death, acts in good faith under this Durable Power of Attorney. Any action so taken, unless otherwise invalid or unenforceable, shall bind my successors in interest.

Notice to Third Parties

To induce any third-party to act hereunder, I hereby agree that any third-party receiving a duly executed copy or facsimile of this instrument may act hereunder, and that revocation or termination shall have been received by such third-party, and I for myself and for my heirs, executors, legal representatives, and assigns, hereby agree to indemnify and hold harmless any such third-party from and against any and all claims which may arise against such third-party by reason of such third-party having relied on the provisions of this instrument.

THIS DURABLE POWER OF ATTORNEY MAY BE REVOKED OR AMENDED IN WRITING BY ME AT ANY TIME.

Elvie Underwood Schooley Dec 6, 2022 (date)

Elvie Underwood Schooley, Principal

Janice Schneider Dec 6 2022 (date)
First Witness

Joak Burris Dec 6, 2022 (date)
Second Witness

A Notary Public or other officer completing this certificate verifies only the identity of the individual who signed the document to which this certificate is attached, and not the truthfulness, accuracy, or validity of that document.

STATE OF Alabama)
COUNTY OF Shelby)

On December 6, 20 22, before me, Tonya Renee Smitherman, a Notary Public, personally appeared Elvie Underwood Schooley, as Principal, and Janice Schneiberg, as Witness, and Leah Bivins, as Witness, who proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person(s) whose name(s) is/are subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same in his/her/their authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her/their signature(s) on the instrument the person(s), or the entity upon behalf of which the person(s) acted, executed the instrument.

I certify under PENALTY OF PERJURY under the laws of the State of Alabama that the foregoing paragraph is true and correct.

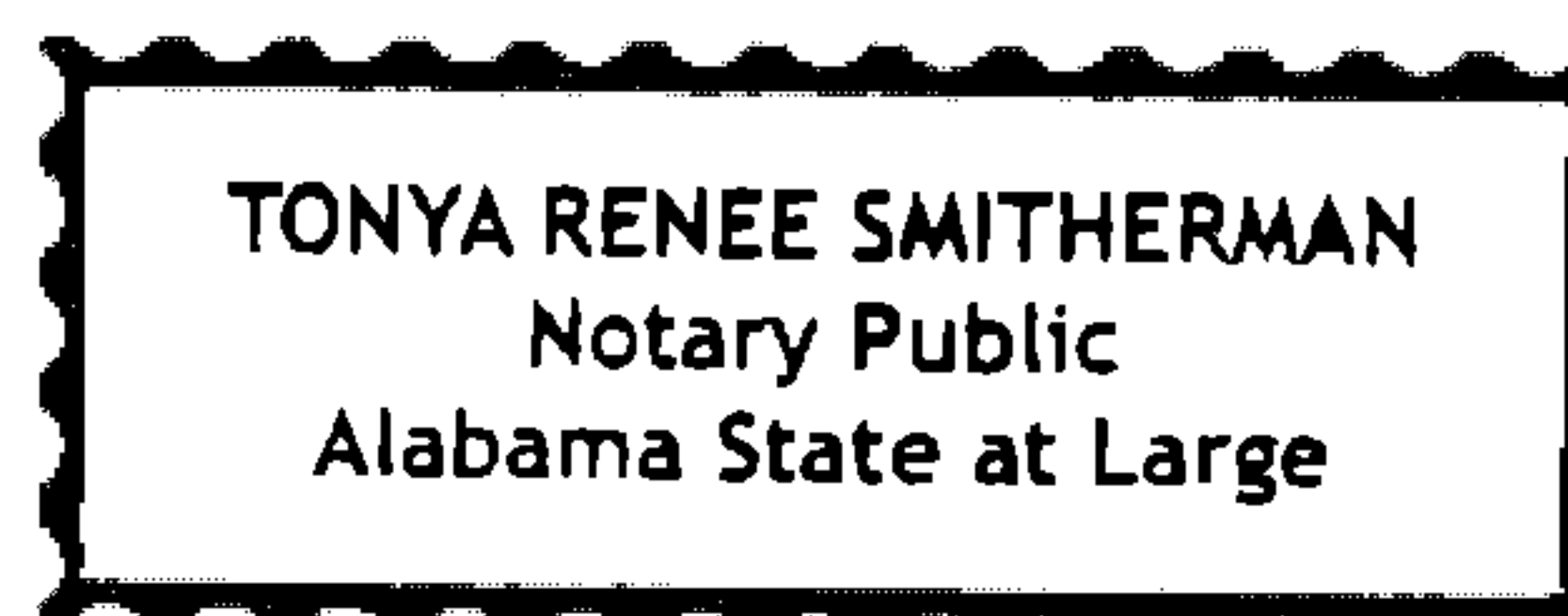
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Tonya Renee Smitherman
Signature of Notary

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Notary Commission Expires 10/5/24

AGENT'S SIGNATURE AND ACKNOWLEDGMENT

First Agent Acknowledgment

I, John Timothy Schooley, am the person identified as the Agent for the Principal named in this document and acknowledge my legal duties.

12/06/2022
Date

John Timothy Schooley
Signature

Second Agent Acknowledgment (if applicable)

I, , am the person identified as the Agent for the Principal named in this document and acknowledge my legal duties.

Date

Signature

