#### ALABAMA POWER OF ATTORNEY FORM

#### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

This Power of Attorney authorizes another person (your Agent) to make decisions concerning your property for you (the Principal). Your Agent will be able to make decisions and act with respect to your property (including your money) whether or not you are able to act for yourself. The meaning of authority over subjects listed on this form is explained in the Alabama Uniform Power of Attorney Act, Chapter 1A, Title 26, Code of Alabama 1975.

This Power of Attorney does not authorize the Agent to make health care decisions for you. Such powers are governed by other applicable law.

You should select someone you trust to serve as your Agent. Unless you specify otherwise, generally the Agent's authority will continue until you die or revoke the Power of Attorney, or until the Agent resigns or is unable to act for you.

Your Agent is entitled to reimbursement of reasonable expenses and reasonable compensation unless you state otherwise in the Special Instructions.

This form provides for designation of one Agent. If you wish to name more than one Agent, you may name a Co-Agent in the Special Instructions. Co-Agents are not required to act together unless you include that requirement in the Special Instructions.

If your Agent is unable or unwilling to act for you, your Power of Attorney will end unless you have named a Successor Agent. You may also name a second Successor Agent.

This Power of Attorney becomes effective immediately unless you state otherwise in the Special Instructions.

If you have questions about the Power of Attorney or the authority you are granting to your Agent, you should seek legal advice before signing this form.

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### DESIGNATION OF AGENT

I, Mary Thorton Thompson, designate and appoint my son, Robert M. Thompson of 2205 Forest Lakes Lane, Sterret, Alabama 35147 and my son, James R. Thompson of 2205 Forest Lakes Lane, Sterret, Alabama 35147 as my Agents.

If any of my Agents die, become legally disabled, resign, or cease to act, I make, constitute, and nominate my son, Daniel A Thompson of 2205 Forest Lakes Lane, Sterret, Alabama 35147 as my Successor Agent.

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### GRANT OF GENERAL AUTHORITY

I grant my Agent and any Successor Agent general authority to act for me with respect to the following subjects as defined in the Alabama Uniform Power of Attorney Act, as cited above:

If you wish to grant general authority over all of the subjects enumerated in this section you may SIGN here:

Mary Thorton Thompson

OR

must INITIAL by each subject you want to include in the Agent's authority:
Real Property as defined in Section 26-1A-204
Tangible Personal Property as defined in Section 26-1A-205
Stocks and Bonds as defined in Section 26-1A-206
Commodities and Options as defined in Section 26-1A-207
Banks and Other Financial Institutions as defined in Section 26-1A-208
Operation of Entity or Business as defined in Section 26-1A-209
Insurance and Annuities as defined in Section 26-1A-210
Estates, Trusts, and Other Beneficial Interests as defined in Section 26-1A-211
Claims and Litigation as defined in Section 26-1A-212
Personal and Family Maintenance as defined in Section 26-1A-213
Benefits from Governmental Programs or Civil or Military Service as defined in Section 26-1A-214
Retirement Plans as defined in Section 26-1A-215
Taxes as defined in Section 26-1A-216
Gifts as defined in Section 26-1A-217

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# 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 the specific authority you WANT to give your Agent.)

- Mr Create, amend, revoke, or terminate an inter vivos trust, by trust or applicable law.
- Create and fund an irrevocable Qualified Income Trust (a.k.a. "Miller Trust"), on my behalf and establish any account at any financial institution for the purpose of holding funds for the purpose of allowing me to qualify for Medicaid benefits.
- Make a gift exceeding the monetary limitations of Section 26-1A-217 of the Alabama Uniform Power of Attorney Act, but subject to any special instructions in this Power of Attorney.
- MT Create or change rights of survivorship.
- MI Create or change a beneficiary designation.
- MI Authorize another person to exercise the authority granted under this Power of Attorney.
- MT Waive the Principal's right to be a beneficiary of a joint and survivor annuity, including a survivor benefit under a retirement plan.
- MT Exercise fiduciary powers that the Principal has authority to delegate.

### LIMITATIONS ON AGENT'S AUTHORITY

An Agent who 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.

## Limitation of Power

Except for any special instructions given herein to the Agent to make gifts, the following shall apply:

(1) Any power or authority granted to my Agent herein shall be limited so as to prevent this Power of Attorney from causing any Agent to be taxed on my income or from causing my assets to be subject to a "general power of appointment" by my Agent as defined in 26 U.S.C. Section 2041 and 26 U.S.C. Section 2514 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

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(2) My Agent shall have no power or authority whatsoever with respect to any policy of insurance owned by me on the life of my Agent, or any trust created by my Agent in which I am a trustee.

### SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS (OPTIONAL)

You may give special instructions on the following lines. For your protection, if there are special instructions write NONE in this section.
EFFECTIVE DATE
This Power of Attorney is effective immediately unless I have stated otherwise in the Speci Instructions.
NOMINATION OF CONSERVATOR OR GUARDIAN (OPTIONAL)
If it becomes necessary for a court to appoint a guardian or conservator of my estate or guardia of my person, I nominate the following person for appointment.
Name:
Address:
Telephone Numbers:
(Home, Work, and Mobile)

# RELIANCE ON THIS POWER OF ATTORNEY

Any person, including my Agent, may rely upon the validity of this Power of Attorney or a copy of it unless that person knows it has terminated or is invalid.

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### SIGNATURE AND ACKNOWLEDGMENT

I have executed this instrument on this 3 day of Feb., 20 23.

Mary Thorton Thompson 2205 Forest Lakes Lane Sterret, Alabama 35147

WITNESSES (both of whom are 18 years of age or older):

STATE OF Alabama )

On the 2023, in the year 2023, before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for said state, personally appeared Mary Thorton Thompson, personally known to me or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that she executed the same in her capacity, and that by her signature on the instrument, the person or the entity upon behalf of which the person acted, executed the instrument.

Document prepared by:

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My commission expires:

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#### IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR AGENT

### Agent's Duties

When you accept the authority granted under this Power of Attorney, a special legal relationship is created between you and the Principal. This relationship imposes upon you legal duties that continue until you resign or the Power of Attorney is terminated or revoked. You must:

- (1) do what you know the Principal reasonably expects you to do with the Principal's property, or if you do not know the Principal's expectations, act in the Principal's best interest;
- (2) act in good faith;
- (3) do nothing beyond the authority granted in this Power of Attorney; and
- (4) disclose your identity as an Agent whenever you act for the Principal by writing or printing the name of the Principal and signing your own name as "Agent" in the following manner:

(Principal's Name) by (Your Signature) as Agent

Unless the Special Instructions in this Power of Attorney state otherwise, you must also:

- (1) act loyally for the Principal's benefit;
- (2) avoid conflicts that would impair your ability to act in the Principal's best interest;
- (3) act with care, competence, and diligence;
- (4) keep a record of all receipts, disbursements, and transactions made on behalf of the Principal;
- (5) cooperate with any person who has authority to make health care decisions for the Principal to do what you know the Principal reasonably expects, or if you do not know the Principal's expectations, to act in the Principal's best interest; and
- (6) attempt to preserve the Principal's estate plan if you know the plan and if preserving the plan is consistent with the Principal's best interest.

#### Termination of Agent's Authority

You must stop acting on behalf of the Principal if you learn of any event that terminates this Power of Attorney or your authority under this Power of Attorney. Events that terminate a power of attorney or your authority to act under a power of attorney include:

- (1) death of the Principal;
- (2) the Principal's revocation of the Power of Attorney or your authority;
- (3) the occurrence of a termination event stated in the Power of Attorney;
- (4) the purpose of the Power of Attorney is fully accomplished; or

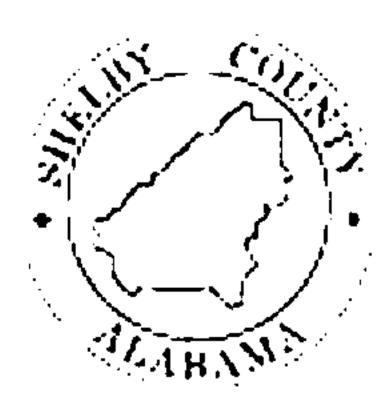
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(5) if you are married to the Principal, a legal action is filed with a court for your legal separation or to end your marriage, unless the Special Instructions in this Power of Attorney state that such an action will not terminate your authority.

## Liability of Agent

The meaning of the authority granted to you is defined in the Alabama Uniform Power of Attorney Act, Chapter 1A, Title 26, Code of Alabama 1975. If you violate the Alabama Uniform Power of Attorney Act, Chapter 1A, Title 26, Code of Alabama 1975, or act outside the authority granted, you may be liable for any damages caused by your violation.

If there is anything about this document or your duties that you do not understand, you should seek legal advice.



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