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POWER OF ATTORNEY
GENERAL AND DURABLE

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF DESOTO

Know all men by these presents, that I, MARJORIE (HEARD) EDWARDS, the undersigned principal, do hereby appoint my daughter, VIRGINIA LEE EDWARDS, (Social Security No. 408-23-2970, to be my true and lawful attorney-in-fact, to act in my name, place and stead, and on my behalf to do and execute all or any of the following acts, deeds and things, either jointly or severally, to wit:

1. General Powers.

   a. To exercise, do, or perform any act, right, power, duty or obligation whatsoever that I now have or may acquire the legal right, power or capacity to exercise, do or perform in connection with, arising out of or relating to any person, item, thing, transaction, business property, real or personal, tangible or intangible, or matter whatsoever.

   b. To ask for, demand, sue for, recover, collect, receive and hold and possess all sums of money, debts, dues, goods, wares, merchandise, chattels, effects, bonds, notes, checks, drafts, accounts,

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deposits, safe deposit boxes, legacies, bequests, devises, interests, dividends, stock certificates, certificates of deposit, annuities, pension and retirement benefits, stock bonus plan and profit-sharing plan benefits, stock options, insurance benefits and proceeds, documents of title, choses in action, personal and real property, tangible and intangible property and property rights, and demands whatsoever, liquidated or unliquidated, and things of whatsoever nature or description which now or hereafter shall be or become due, owing, payable or belonging to me in or by any right, title, ways or means howsoever, and upon receipt hereof or of any part thereof to make, sign, execute and deliver such receipts, releases or other discharges for the same as my said attorney-in-fact shall think fit or be advised.

c. To commence, prosecute, discontinue or defend all actions or other legal proceedings touching my estate or any part thereof or touching any matter in which I or my estate may be in any way concerned; and to have, sue and take all procedures and writs in my name for the collection or recovery of any item or matter in which I have

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or may acquire an interest and to compromise, settle and agree for the same and to make, execute and deliver for me and in my name all endorsements, acquittances, releases, receipts or other sufficient discharges for the same.

d. To lease, purchase, exchange and acquire and to bargain, contract and agree for the lease, purchase and exchange and acquisition of and to take, receive and possess any real or personal property whatsoever, tangible or intangible, or any interest therein, on such terms and conditions and under such covenants as my attorney-in-fact shall deem proper.

e. To enter into and upon all and each of my real properties, and to let, manage and improve the same or any part thereof, and to repair or otherwise improve or alter, and to insure any buildings or structures thereon.

f. To sell, either at public or private sale, or exchange any part or parts of my real estate or personal property for such consideration and upon such terms as my attorney-in-fact shall think fit, and to execute and deliver good and sufficient deeds or other instruments for the

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conveyance or transfer of the same, with such covenants of warrant or otherwise as my attorney-in-fact shall see fit, and to give receipts for all or any part of the purchase price or other considerations.

g. To engage in and actively transact any and all lawful business of whatever nature or kind for me and in my name.

h. To sign, endorse, execute, acknowledge, deliver, receive and possess such applications, contracts, agreements, options, covenants, deeds, conveyances, trust deeds, security agreements, bills of sale, leases, mortgages, assignments, insurance policies, bills of lading, warehouse receipts, documents of title, bills, bonds, debentures, checks, drafts, bills of exchange, notes, stock certificates, proxies, warrants, commercial paper, receipts, withdrawal receipts and deposit instruments relating to accounts or deposits, or certificates of deposit in banks, savings and loan or other institutions or associations, proofs of loss, evidences of debts, releases, and satisfaction of mortgages, judgments, liens, security agreements and other debts and obligations, and other instruments in writing

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of whatever kind and nature as may be necessary or proper in the exercise of the rights and powers herein granted.

i. To deposit any monies which may come to my attorney-in-fact as such attorney-in-fact with any bank or banker or other person in my name, and to employ or expend as my attorney-in-fact shall think fit any of such money or any other money to which I am entitled which now is or shall be so deposited; to withdraw, in the payment of any debtors, or interest payable by me, or taxes, assessments, insurance and expenses due and payable or to become due and payable on account of my real and personal estate, or in or about any of the purposes herein mentioned, or otherwise for my use and benefit, or to invest in my name or in the name of any nominee in any stocks, shares, bonds, securities or other property, real or personal, as my attorney-in-fact may think proper, and to receive and give receipts for any income or dividend arising from such investments, and to vary or dispose of such investments.

j. To borrow any sum or sums of money on such terms and with such security, whether real or personal

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property, as my attorney-in-fact may think fit, and for that purpose to execute all promissory notes, bonds, mortgages, deeds of trust, security agreements and other instruments which may be necessary or proper.

k. To engage, employ, and dismiss any agents, clerks, servants, attorneys-at-law, accountants, investment advisors, custodians or other persons in and about the performance of these presents as my attorney-in-fact shall think fit.

l. To vote at the meetings of stockholders or other meetings of any corporation or company, or otherwise to act as my attorney-in-fact or proxy in respect of any stocks, shares, or other instruments now or hereafter held by me therein, and for that purpose to execute any proxies or other instruments.

m. To exercise any powers and any duties vested in me, whether solely or jointly, with any other or others as executor, administrator or trustee or in any other fiduciary capacity, so far as such power or duty is capable of validity being delegated.

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n. In general, to do all other acts, deeds, matters and things whatsoever in or about my estate, property and affairs, or to concur with persons jointly interested with myself therein in doing all acts, deeds, matters, and things herein, either particularly or generally described, as fully and effectually to all intents and purposes as I could do in my own person if personally present and competent.

2. <u>This Instrument Construed To Be General Power Of Attorney.</u> This instrument is to be construed and interpreted as a general power of attorney. The enumeration of specific items, acts, right or powers herein, does not limit or restrict and it is not to be construed or interpreted as limiting or restricting the general power herein granted to my attorney-in-fact.

3. <u>Effective Date Of Power Of Attorney.</u> This power of attorney shall become effective upon its being entered of record in the Chancery Court of DeSoto County, Mississippi.

4. <u>Revocation And Duration Of Power Of Attorney.</u> This general power of attorney revokes any previous powers of attorney granted by me. This general power of attorney may be voluntarily revoked only by my written revocation entered

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of record in the Chancery Court of DeSoto County, Mississippi. The power is exercisable notwithstanding the lapse of time since the execution of this instrument.

5. Subsequent Mental Or Physical Debility. All acts done by my attorney-in-fact pursuant to this durable power of attorney during any period of my disability or incapacity have the same effect and inure to the benefit of and bind me and my successors in interest as if I were competent and not disabled. Hence, this general power of attorney shall not be affected by any subsequent mental or physical debility, or incapacity that I may suffer. Thus, it shall remain in full force and effect and shall not be revoked by operation of law, all pursuant to Section 87-3-1, Mississippi Code of 1972.

6. Bond Waived. My attorney-in-fact shall not be obligated to furnish bond or other security.

7. Compensation Of Attorney-In-Fact. My attorney-in-fact shall be entitled to reasonable compensation for services rendered.

8. Authority Limited For Tax Reasons. Any authority granted to my attorney-in-fact shall be limited so as to prevent this power of attorney from causing my attorney-in-fact to be taxed on my income and from causing my estate to be subject to a general power of appointment by my

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attorney-in-fact, as that term is defined in Section 2041 of the Internal Revenue Code.

9. Ratification Of Action Taken By Attorney-In-Fact. I hereby ratify and confirm all that my attorney-in-fact shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this power of attorney and the rights and powers granted herein.

10. Indemnification Of Attorney-In-Fact. I hereby bind myself to indemnify my attorney-in-fact against any and all claims, demands, losses, damages, actions and causes of action, including expenses, costs and reasonable attorney's fees which my attorney-in-fact at any time may sustain or incur in connection with carrying out the authority granted in this power.

11. The following is a specimen of the handwriting and form of signature to be used by my attorney-in-fact authorized in the foregoing instrument:

MARJORIE (HEARD) EDWARDS

By Virginia Lee Edwards
VIRGINIA LEE EDWARDS
ATTORNEY-IN-FACT

12. Dated this 23rd day of April, 2001.

Signature of Principal: Marjorie Heard Edwards
MARJORIE (HEARD) EDWARDS

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Address of Principal: 1730 Epping Forest
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COUNTY OF DESOTO

Personally appeared before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, duly commissioned and qualified, MARJORIE (HEARD) EDWARDS, to me known to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and who acknowledged that she executed and delivered the same as her free act and deed, and for the purposes therein contained.

WITNESS my hand and seal of office this the 23rd day of April, 2001.

Carole Crowdus
NOTARY PUBLIC

CAROLE CROWDUS NOTARY PUBLIC DESOTO COUNTY

MY COMMISSION EXPIRES:

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