# TEXAS LIMITED (SPECIAL) POWER OF ATTORNEY

NOTICE: THE POWERS GRANTED BY THIS DOCUMENT ARE LIMITED AND SPECIFIC. THEY ARE EXPLAINED IN THE DURABLE POWER OF ATTORNEY ACT, SUBTITLE P, TITLE 2, ESTATES CODE.1 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 POWER OF ATTORNEY IF YOU LATER WISH TO DO SO. IF YOU WANT YOUR AGENT(S) TO HAVE THE AUTHORITY TO SIGN HOME EQUITY LOAN DOCUMENTS ON YOUR BEHALF, THIS POWER OF ATTORNEY MUST BE SIGNED BY YOU AT THE OFFICE OF THE LENDER, AN ATTORNEY AT LAW, OR A TITLE COMPANY.

You should select someone you trust to serve as your agent(s). Unless you specify otherwise, generally the agent's authority will continue until:

(1) you d	ie or revoke the power	r of attorney;		
(2) your a	agent(s) resigns, is ren	moved by court order, or is ur	nable to act for you; o	r
(3) a gua	rdian is appointed for	your estate.		
, Address], appoir	[Name of I	Principal] at [Name of Agent] at		
		[Address] AND		[Optional
ne in any lawful v	way with respect to all	[Address] AND of the following powers that	_ [Address] as my ago I have initialed below.	eni(s) to act for
	GRA	ANT OF SPECIFIC AUTHOR	ITY	
,	[Name of I	Principal], grant act for me and in my name,		
Name of Agent(s	s)] specific authority to	act for me and in my name,	in any way which I co	uld do if present
My agent(s) has t	the authority to act on	my behalf for the following:		
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This authority is confined strictly to the acts specified here and does not extend to any other acts. It will be valid for the period stated in the Effectiveness section, unless I have stated otherwise in a subsequent legal document or in the Special Instructions of this document.



## **SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS**

Special instructions applicable to agent compensation:
My agent(s) is entitled to reimbursement of reasonable expenses incurred on my behalf and to compensation that is reasonable under the circumstances.
My agent(s) is entitled to reimbursement of reasonable expenses incurred on my behalf but shall receive no compensation for serving as my agent(s).
Special instructions applicable to co-agents:
Each of my co-agents may act independently for me.
My co-agents may act for me only if the co-agents act jointly.
My co-agents may act for me only if a majority of the co-agents act jointly.
ON THE FOLLOWING LINES YOU MAY GIVE SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS LIMITING OR EXTENDING THE POWERS GRANTED TO YOUR AGENT(S).
EFFECTIVENESS
THIS POWER OF ATTORNEY IS EFFECTIVE (Check one):
☐ IMMEDIATELY ☐ ON, 20 ☐ UPON THE OCCURRENCE OF THE FOLLOWING EVENT OR CONTINGENCY: ☐ UPON THE INCAPACITY OF THE PRINCIPAL
(If applicable)
THIS POWER OF ATTORNEY WILL REMAIN IN EFFECT UNTIL (Check one):
$\square$ , 20, UNLESS EARLIER REVOKED OR TERMINATED BY THE SPECIFIC CONDITIONS STATED IN THE TERMINATION.
☐ THE OCCURRENCE OF THE FOLLOWING CONDITION:, UNLESS EARLIER REVOKED OR
TERMINATED BY THE SPECIFIC CONDITIONS STATED IN THE TERMINATION.
, 20, OR UPON THE OCCURRENCE OF THE FOLLOWING CONDITION:, WHICHEVER OCCURS EARLIER,
UNLESS EARLIER REVOKED OR TERMINATED BY THE SPECIFIC CONDITIONS STATED IN THE TERMINATION.



 ular Limited Power of Attorney. This power of attorney will automatically terminate upon the earliest ollowing:
<ol> <li>Completion of the specified act or transaction for which this power of attorney was granted.</li> <li>A specific date or event as mentioned in the 'Effective Date' section of this document.</li> <li>My revocation of this power of attorney in writing or the agent dies, becomes incapacitated, or</li> </ol>

resigns and the power of attorney does not provide for another agent to act under the power of

4. My death.

attorney

5. Upon my disability or incapacity, if the power of attorney is not durable.

□ <u>Durable Limited Power of Attorney.</u> This power of attorney shall not be affected by my subsequent disability or incapacity, or lapse of time but will automatically terminate upon the earliest of the following:

- 1. Completion of the specified act or transaction for which this power of attorney was granted.
- 2. A specific date or event as mentioned in the 'Effective Date' section of this document.
- 3. My revocation of this power of attorney in writing or the agent dies, becomes incapacitated, or resigns and the power of attorney does not provide for another agent to act under the power of attorney.
- 4. My death.

If a definition of my disability or incapacity is not contained in this power of attorney, I shall be considered disabled or incapacitated for purposes of this power of attorney if a physician certifies in writing at a date later than the date this power of attorney is executed that, based on the physician's medical examination of me, I am mentally incapable of managing my financial affairs. I authorize the physician who examines me for this purpose to disclose my physical or mental condition to another person for purposes of this power of attorney. A third party who accepts this power of attorney is fully protected from any action taken under this power of attorney that is based on the determination made by a physician of my disability or incapacity.

I agree that any third party who receives a copy of this document may act under it. Termination of this durable power of attorney is not effective as to a third party until the third party has actual knowledge of the termination. I agree to indemnify the third party for any claims that arise against the third party because of reliance on this power of attorney. The meaning and effect of this durable power of attorney is determined by Texas law.

If any agent(s) named by me dies, becomes incapacitated, resigns, refuses to act, or is removed by court order, or if my marriage to an agent named by me is dissolved by a court decree of divorce or annulment or is declared void by a court (unless I provided in this document that the dissolution or declaration does not terminate the agent's authority to act under this power of attorney), I name the following (each to act alone and successively, in the order named) as successor(s) to that agent(s):

Successor Agent's Full Name			
Successor Agent's Street Addres	es s		
City	State	Zip Code	



Successor Agent's Phone Number			
Second Successor Agent's Full Nam	e		
Second Successor Agent's Street Ad	ddress		_
City	State	Zip Code	
Second Successor Agent's Phone N	umber		
SIGNA	TURE AND ACKNOWLED	GMENT	
Signed this day of	, 20		
Principal's Signature			
Principal's Name			
(If applicable)			
by:			
Representative's Signature			
Representative's Name			
	NOTARY PUBLIC		
State of County of			
This document was acknowledged before	ore me on	(date) by	



Signature of Notarial Office	er
(Seal, if any)	
Notarial Officer Name:	
My commission expires: _	

#### **IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR AGENT(S)**

## **Agent's Duties**

When you accept the authority granted under this power of attorney, you establish a "fiduciary" relationship with the principal. This is a special legal relationship that imposes on you legal duties that continue until you resign or the power of attorney is terminated, suspended, or revoked by the principal or by operation of law. A fiduciary duty generally includes the duty to:

- (1) act in good faith;
- (2) do nothing beyond the authority granted in this power of attorney;
- (3) act loyally for the principal's benefit;
- (4) avoid conflicts that would impair your ability to act in the principal's best interest; and
- (5) disclose your identity as an agent when 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

In addition, the Durable Power of Attorney Act (Subtitle P, Title 2, Estates Code) requires you to:

- (1) maintain records of each action taken or decision made on behalf of the principal;
- (2) maintain all records until delivered to the principal, released by the principal, or discharged by a court; and
- (3) if requested by the principal, provide an accounting to the principal that, unless otherwise directed by the principal or otherwise provided in the Special Instructions, must include:
  - (A) the property belonging to the principal that has come to your knowledge or into your possession:
  - (B) each action taken or decision made by you as agent;
  - (C) a complete account of receipts, disbursements, and other actions of you as agent that includes the source and nature of each receipt, disbursement, or action, with receipts of principal and income shown separately:
  - (D) a listing of all property over which you have exercised control that includes an adequate description of each asset and the asset's current value, if known to you:
  - (E) the cash balance on hand and the name and location of the depository at which the cash balance is kept;
  - (F) each known liability;
  - (G) any other information and facts known to you as necessary for a full and definite understanding of the exact condition of the property belonging to the principal; and
  - (H) all documentation regarding the principal's property.

#### **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. An event that terminates this power of attorney or your authority to act under this power of attorney includes:

- (1) the principal's death;
- (2) the principal's revocation of this power of attorney or your authority;
- (3) the occurrence of a termination event stated in this power of attorney:
- (4) if you are married to the principal, the dissolution of your marriage by a court decree of divorce or annulment or declaration that your marriage is void, unless otherwise provided in this power of attorney;



- (5) the appointment and qualification of a permanent guardian of the principal's estate; or
- (6) if ordered by a court, your removal as agent (attorney in fact) under this power of attorney. An event that suspends this power of attorney or your authority to act under this power of attorney is the appointment and qualification of a temporary guardian unless a court order provides otherwise.

### **Liability of Agent**

The authority granted to you under this power of attorney is specified in the Durable Power of Attorney Act (Subtitle P, Title 2, Estates Code). If you violate the Durable Power of Attorney Act or act beyond the authority granted, you may be liable for any damages caused by the violation or subject to prosecution for misapplication of property by a fiduciary under Chapter 32 of the Texas Penal Code.

THE AGENT, BY ACCEPTING OR ACTING UNDER THE APPOINTMENT, ASSUMES THE FIDUCIARY AND OTHER LEGAL RESPONSIBILITIES OF AN AGENT.

## SIGNATURE AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF AGENT(S)

Signed this day of	, 20
Agent's Signature	
Agent's Name	
(If applicable)	
Agent's Signature	
Agent's Name	
CE	RTIFICATION OF AGENT(S)
I,[Name	of Agent], certify under penalty of perjury that:
1. I am the agent named in the power of ("principal") on (da 2. The principal is not deceased and is p	f attorney validly executed by ate), and the power of attorney is now in full force and effect. presently domiciled in
Texas. 3. To the best of my knowledge after dili a. The power of attorney has been re	gent search and inquiry: evoked by the principal or suspended or terminated by the

occurrence of any event, whether or not referenced in the power of attorney;

- b. At the time the power of attorney was executed, the principal was mentally competent to transact legal matters and was not acting under the undue influence of any other person:
- c. A permanent guardian of the estate of the principal has not qualified to serve in that capacity;
- d. My powers under the power of attorney have not been suspended by a court in a temporary guardianship or other proceeding;
- e. If I am (or was) the principal's spouse, my marriage to the principal has not been dissolved by court decree of divorce or annulment or declared void by a court, or the power of attorney provides specifically that my appointment as the agent for the principal does not terminate if my marriage to the principal has been dissolved by court decree or annulment or declared void by a court;
- f. No proceeding has been commenced for a temporary or permanent guardianship of the person or estate, or both, of the principal; and
- g. The exercise of my authority is not prohibited by another agreement or instrument.
- 4. If under its terms the power of attorney becomes effective on the disability or incapacity of the principal or at a future time or on the occurrence of a contingency, the principal now has a disability or is incapacitated or the specified future time or contingency has occurred.
- 5. I am acting within the scope of my authority under the power of attorney, and my authority has not been altered or terminated.
- 6. If applicable, I am the successor to \_\_\_\_\_\_ (predecessor agent), who has resigned, died, or become incapacitated, is not qualified to serve or has declined to serve as agent, or is otherwise unable to act. There are no unsatisfied conditions remaining under the power of attorney that preclude my acting as successor agent.
- 7. I agree not:
  - a. Exercise any powers granted by the power of attorney if I attain knowledge that the power of attorney has been revoked, suspended, or terminated; or
  - b. Exercise any specific powers that have been revoked, suspended, or terminated.
- 8. A true and correct copy of the power of attorney is attached to this document.
- 9. If used in connection with an extension of credit under Section 50(a)(6), Article XVI, Texas Constitution, the power of attorney was executed in the office of the lender, the office of a title company, or the law office of \_\_\_\_\_\_.

·	[Signature of Agent
Signature of	[Name of Agent]
(If applicable)	

Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

Ι, ͺ	[Name of Co-agent], certify under penalty of perjury that:
1.	I am the agent named in the power of attorney validly executed by
("	principal") on (date), and the power of attorney is now in full force and effect.

The principal is not deceased and is presently domiciled in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Texas

- 3. To the best of my knowledge after diligent search and inquiry:
  - a. The power of attorney has been revoked by the principal or suspended or terminated by the occurrence of any event, whether or not referenced in the power of attorney;
  - b. At the time the power of attorney was executed, the principal was mentally competent to transact legal matters and was not acting under the undue influence of any other person;
  - c. A permanent guardian of the estate of the principal has not qualified to serve in that capacity;
  - d. My powers under the power of attorney have not been suspended by a court in a temporary guardianship or other proceeding;



- e. If I am (or was) the principal's spouse, my marriage to the principal has not been dissolved by court decree of divorce or annulment or declared void by a court, or the power of attorney provides specifically that my appointment as the agent for the principal does not terminate if my marriage to the principal has been dissolved by court decree or annulment or declared void by a court:
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  Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

	[Signature of Co-agen
Signature of	[Name of Co-agent]

