

GENERAL AND DURABLE POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

That I, thundersigned, **RICHARD L. BROWN**, a resident of Elko, Nevada, have made, constitute and appointed, and by these presents do make, constitute and appoint, my wife, **SHEE W. BROWN**, as my true and lawful attorney in fact to act to manage and conduct all my estate and all my affairs, including, but not limited to, acting for me in all capacities under the **RICHARD L. and SHERIE W. BROWN FAMILY REVOCABLE TRUST** dated December 21, 2001, including making amendments thereto including gifts or like with full power of appointment thereof, and for all purposes for me and in my name, place and stead, and for my use and benefit, and as my act and deed, to do and execute or to concur with persons jointly interested with me therein in the doing or executing of, or any of the following acts, deeds, and things, that is to say:

1. To buy, receive, lease, accept, or otherwise acquire, to sell, convey, exchange, transfer, partition, mortgage, hypothecate, pledge, quitclaim, or otherwise encumber or dispose of, or to contract or agree for acquisition, disposal or encumbrance of, any property whatsoever and wheresoever situated, be it real, personal, or mixed, or any custody, possession, interest, or right therein or pertaining thereto, on such terms as my said attorney shall think proper;
2. To take, hold, possess, invest, lease, or let, or otherwise manage any or all of real, personal, or mixed property, or any interest therein; to eject, remove, or relieve tenants or other persons from, and recover possession of, such property by all lawful means; and to maintain, protect, preserve, insure, remove, store, transport, repair, rebuild, modify or prove the same or any part thereof;
3. To make, do, and transact all and every kind of business of whatsoever nature or kind, including the receipt, recovery, collection, payment, compromise, settlement, and adjustment of all accounts, legacies, bequests, interests, dividends, annuities, demands, debts, taxes and obligations, which may now or hereafter be due, owing, or

payable line or to me;

4. To make, dorse, accept, receive, sign, seal, execute, acknowledge, and deliver deeds, assignments, agreements, certificates, hypothecum, checks, notes, bonds, vouchers, receipts, and such other instruments in writing of whatever kind and nature as may be necessary, convenient, or proper in the premises;
5. To deposit or withdraw from any banking institution any funds, negotiable paper, or moneys which may come into my said attorney's hands as such attorney or which I now or hereafter may have on deposit or be entitled to;
6. To institute, prosecute, defend, compromise, arbitrate, and dispose of legal, equitable or administration hearings, actions, suits, attachments, arrests, distresses or other proceedings, or otherwise engage litigation in connection with the premises;
7. To act as any attorney or proxy in respect to any stocks, shares, bonds, commodities, or other investments, rights, or interests I may now or hereafter hold;
8. To engage and dismiss agents, counsel, and employees, and to appoint and remove at pleasure any substitute or agent of my said attorney in respect to all or any of the matters or things herein mentioned and upon such terms as my attorney shall think fit;
9. To prepare, execute, and file income and other tax returns, and other governmental reports, applications, requirements and documents;
10. To take possession, and order the removal and shipment, of any of my property from any warehouse, depot, dock, or other place of storage or safekeeping, governmental or private; and to execute and deliver a release, voucher, receipt, shipping ticket, certificate, or other instrument necessary or convenient for such purpose.

GIVING AND GRANTING unto my said attorney full power and authority to do and perform all and every act, deed, matter, and thing whatsoever in and about my estate, real or personal property, and affairs as fully and effectually to all intents and purposes as I might or could do in my own proper person if personally present, the above

specially enumerated powers being in aid and exemplification of the full, complete, and general power herein granted and not in limitation or definition thereof; and hereby ratifying all that my said attorney shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of these presents.

In addition should I become incompetent or comatose, I hereby appoint my wife, **SHERIE W. BRON**, as my attorney in fact to make health care decisions for me, including the right and power to consent, refuse consent, or withdraw consent to any cares, treatments, service or procedure on my behalf; and to protect and save my property and my spouse's property for my spouse's use and benefit as well as my estate beneficiaries, from sale or foreclosure and to qualify me for all federal, state and local programs, such as Medicare, Medicaid and the like, all as permitted by law.

And I hereby declare that any act or thing lawfully done hereunder by my said attorney shall be binding on me and my heirs, legal and personal representatives, and assigns, whether the same shall have been done before or after my death, or other revocation of this instrument, unless and until reliable intelligence or notice thereof shall have been received by my said attorney; and whether or not I, the grantor of this instrument, shall have been reported or listed, either officially or otherwise, as "missing", it being the intent and purpose of this status designation shall not bar my attorney from fully and completely exercising and continuing to exercise any and all powers and rights herein granted, and such report of "missing" shall neither constitute nor be interpreted as constituting notice of my death nor operate to revoke this instrument.

This power of attorney shall not be affected by my subsequent disability or incapacity. This power of attorney is intended as a Durable Power of Attorney as

authorized.

DATED: December 21, 2001.

Richard L. Brown

**RICHARD L. BROWN**, Individually and  
As Trustee of the RICHARD L. and SHERIE W.  
BROWN FAMILY REVOCABLE TRUST dated  
December 21, 2001.

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED:

Sherie W. Brown

**SHERIE W. BROWN**, Individually and  
as Trustee of the RICHARD L. and  
SHERIE W. BROWN FAMILY REVOCABLE  
TRUST dated December 21, 2001.

**WARNING TO PERSON EXECUTING THIS DOCUMENT**

This is an important legal document. It created a durable power of attorney.  
Before executing this document, you should know these important facts:

1. This document will provide the person you designate as your attorney in fact with broad powers to dispose, sell, convey, and encumber your real and personal property.
2. These powers will exist for an indefinite period of time unless you limit their duration in this document. These powers will continue to exist notwithstanding your subsequent disability or incapacity.
3. You have the right to revoke or terminate this durable power of attorney at any time.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal the 21<sup>st</sup>  
day of December, 2001

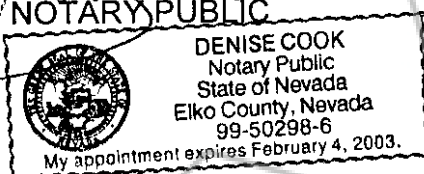
Richard L. Brown

**RICHARD L. BROWN**

STATE OF NEVADA     )  
                                      ) SS.  
COUNTY OF ELKO     )

On December 21, 2001, personally appeared before me, a Notary Public,  
**RICHARD L. BROWN** personally known (or proved) to me to be the person whose name  
is subscribed to the above instrument who acknowledged that he executed the instrument.

*Denise Cook*  
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NOTARY PUBLIC



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