POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: That, I, ROBERT NEY RICHARDSON a legal resident of Marietta, South Carolina

United States of America, now in the military service as a Sgt. (Army Serial No. RA 20409671) in the Army of the United States and temporarily serving at Camp Drake Repl. Depot, Japan, A.P. O. 613, Postmaster, San Francisco, California, outside the continental limits of the United States, have, made, constituted and appointed, and by these presents do make, constitute and appointmy wife, Renate Eva Richardson, Who resides at Marietta, South Carolina my true and lawful attorney to act in, manage, and conduct all my estate and all my affairs, and for that purpose 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 myself therein in the doing or executing of, all 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 mortgage, hypothecate, pledge, quit claim, or otherwise encumber or dispose of; or to contract or agree for the acquisition, disposal, or encumbrance of; any property whatsoever or any custody, possession, interest, or right therein, upon such terms, considerations and conditions as my said attorney shall think proper;
- 2. To take, hold, possess, invest, lease, or let, or otherwise manage any or all of my 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, build on, raze, rebuild, alter, modify or improve the same or any part thereof;
- 3. To make, do, and transact all and every kind of business of what nature or kind soever, including the receipt, recovery, collection, payment, compromise, settlement, and adjustment of all accounts, legacies, bequests, interests, dividends, annuities, demands, debts, taxes, and obligations, or any rebate, refund or discount thereon, which may now or hereafter be due, owing, or payable by me or to me;
- 4. To make, indorse, accept, receive, sign, seal, execute, acknowledge, and deliver deeds, assignments, agreements, certificates, hypothecations, checks, notes, 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 and withdraw for the purposes hereof, in either my said attorney's name or jointly in both our names, in or 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 or deposit or be entitled to;
- 6. To contract loans and to borrow any sums of money in my name and upon such terms as my said attorney shall see fit, and to pledge or give as security therefor any or all of my said property;
- 7. To institute, prosecute, defend, compromise, arbitrate, and dispose of legal, equitable, or administrative hearings, actions, suits, attachments, arrests, distresses or other proceedings, or otherwise engage in litigation in connection with the premises;
- 8. To act as my attorney or proxy in respect to any stocks, shares, bonds, or other investments, rights or interests, I may now or hereafter hold;
- 9. To engage and dismiss agents, counsel, and employees, and to appoint and remove at pleasure any substitute for, 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;
- 10. To receive, collect, receipt for, to execute and deliver vouchers in my behalf for any and all allowances and reimbursements properly payable to me by the United States, including but not restricted to allowances and reimbursements for transportation of dependents or for shipment of household effects as authorized by law and Army Regulations;
- 11. To receive, endorse, and collect checks payable to the order of the undersigned drawn on the Treasurer or other Fiscal officer or depository of the United States, of any sovereign state or authority, or any political subdivision or instrumentality thereof;
- 12. To prepare, execute, and file income and other tax returns, and other governmental reports, applications, requests and documents; and to receive, indorse and cash any tax refunds due me;
- 13. To take possession, and order the removal and shipment, of any of my property from any post, warehouse, depot, dock, or other place of storage or safe keeping, governmental or private; and to execute and deliver any 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, 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.