

State of South Carolina } Power of Attorney  
 County of Florence }  
 I, Wm. H. Mearns, of the County of Florence, South Carolina, being about to depart from the United States and to go for a time abroad, hereby appoint C. B. Wylie of Florence, South Carolina, my true and lawful attorney, to act in, manage and conduct, all my affairs, and for that purpose in my name and on my behalf to do and execute all or any of the following acts, deeds and things:

1. To sue, demand, sue for, recover, and receive all sums of money, debts, dues, goods, shares, Merchandise, Chattels, effects, and things of whatever nature or description which shall hereafter be or become due, owing, payable, or belonging to me or by any right, title, way, or means whatsoever, and upon receipt thereof to give any good receipt to the party or parties, or other discharges for the same respectively as he shall think fit or be advised.
2. To settle any account or accounts that may be or shall be in my name or in any name hereafter shall be in any way connected or concerned with any person whatsoever, and to pay or receive the balance thereof as the case may require.
3. To receive every sum of money which shall hereafter be due for or in respect of any mortgage and to give or on the security or discharge of such mortgage, by deed or otherwise, as he shall think fit or be advised.
4. To Compound, settle or make allowance to any person, for or in respect to any debt or demand whatsoever which shall hereafter be or become due and payable to me, and to take and receive any composition, or dividend, or share of such debt or demand, or to give releases or other discharges for the whole or part thereof, or to settle, compromise, or submit to any arbitration every such debt or demand and every other right, matter and thing that he or my attorney shall think fit, and for that purpose to sign, execute and deliver such bonds, indentures or other instruments as my attorney may deem advisable in the premises.
5. 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.
6. To enter into and upon all and singular my real estate, 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 thereon.
7. To contract with any person for leasing for such period, at such rents and subject to such conditions as my attorney shall see fit, all or any of my said real estate, and any such person to let upon perpetual tenures, and to execute all such leases and contracts or shall be necessary or proper in that behalf, and to give notice to quit to any tenant or occupant thereof, and to receive and recover from all tenants and occupants thereof or of any part thereof all rents, arrears of rent, and sums of money which shall hereafter be or become due and payable in respect thereof, and also on composition or otherwise of any part thereof to take all necessary or proper means and proceedings for obtaining the remedy or satisfaction of such tenants or occupants, and for executing the tenures of occupiers and recovering the same.
8. To sell, either at public or private sale, or by exchange any part or parts of my real estate or personal property for such consideration and upon such terms as my attorney shall think fit, and to execute and deliver good and sufficient deeds or other instruments for the conveyance and transfer of the same, with such covenants

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