

Whereas, Henry Middleton, of London, England, died on February 26, 1933, and by his will, duly admitted to probate in the Probate Division of the High Court of Justice of England, at London, England, he devised and bequeathed all his estate to two of his sons, Ronald Williams Middleton and Basil Norman Middleton, but the testator failed to name an Executor of his will; and

Whereas, on January 4, 1933, Guaranty Executor & Trustee Company, Limited, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of England, was duly appointed administrator with the will annexed of the Estate of Henry Middleton, deceased, by the above named Court, and duly qualified, and is now engaged in the performance of its duties as such Administrator; and

Whereas, Henry Middleton died seized and possessed of certain property in the County of Greenville, State of South Carolina, United States of America, to wit, an interest in the estate of his sister, Elizabeth Middleton Hayward, deceased, and her estate is now ready for final settlement, and proceedings to that end are now pending in the Court of Common Pleas and are about to be brought in the Probate Court for Greenville County, South Carolina, and it is necessary that someone be given full power and authority to act for Ronald Williams Middleton, Basil Norman Middleton and Guaranty Executor & Trustee Company, Limited, in the premises:

Now, Therefore, Know all men by these presents, That we, the undersigned Ronald Williams Middleton, Basil Norman Middleton and Guaranty Executor & Trustee Company, Limited, each acting for and binding himself (itself), do hereby name, constitute and appoint Stephen Nettles, of Greenville, South Carolina, United States of America, our true and lawful agent and attorney-in-fact, and do authorize and empower him to accept service of process for each of us in any action or other legal proceeding brought or to be brought in any Court in Greenville County, South Carolina, in connection with or concerning the winding up and final settlement of the Estate of Elizabeth Middleton Hayward, deceased; to file such answers and other pleadings in our behalf in such actions or proceedings as he may deem proper; to appear for and represent us in said actions and proceedings; to do all such things as he may deem proper and for our respective best interests in connection with the said Estate and any actions or other legal proceedings concerning the same; and to collect and in our respective names receipt for all sums of money and securities which we may be entitled to receive for the Administrator of the Estate of Elizabeth Middleton Hayward, deceased, or from the Master in Equity, or other officer or person appointed by order of court to sell the real estate of said Estate and distribute the proceeds of sale.

The object of this power of attorney is to confer upon our attorney, above named, full power and authority, in his discretion, to do what he deems necessary and proper, in court and out of court, to protect our respective interests in the Estate of Elizabeth Middleton Hayward, deceased, and to turn same into cash, and we do hereby, each for himself (itself) ratify and confirm all that our said attorney may do in the premises, including his execution of receipts, releases or other forms of acquittance for money paid to him for our account in connection with the closing of said Estate; the said acts of our said attorney to bind each of us as fully as if performed by us.

In Witness whereof we, the said Ronald Williams Middleton and Basil Norman Middleton, have hereunto set our hands and seals, and the said Guaranty Executor & Trustee Company, Limited, has caused these presents to be signed on its behalf by two of its Directors and attested by its Assistant Secretary, and its corporate seal to be hereunto affixed, all at London, England, this 25th day of October, 1933.

In the presence of:

C. R. Graena,  
W. A. Bush

R. Williams Middleton, (SEAL)  
B. N. Middleton, (SEAL)

Attest:

J. Thomson,  
Asst. Secretary.

Guaranty Executor & Trustee Company,  
Limited.

BY: G. R. Berkeley.

R. Hale,

Directors.