

POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: That I, John F. Ayers, a legal resident of City of Greenville, Co. of Greenville, State of South Carolina, now in the Army of the United States, have made, constituted and appointed, and by these presents do make, constitute and appoint Mrs. Pauline Sammons Ayers, whose address is 5 Augusta Court, Greenville, 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 and where-soever situated, be it real, personal, or mixed, or any custody, possession, interest, or right therein or pertaining thereto, upon 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 my 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 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, 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, 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 and withdraw for the purposes hereof, in either my said attorney's name or my 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 on deposit or be entitled to;

(6) 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.

(7) 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;

(8) 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;

(9) To execute 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 or Army regulations, and to receive, indorse, and collect the proceeds of checks payable to the order of the undersigned drawn on the Treasurer of the United States;