

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)
COUNTY OF GREENVILLE)

POWER OF ATTORNEY

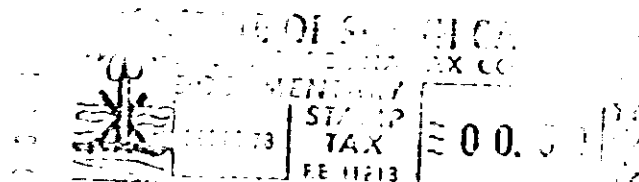
I, JOSEPH O. CONVERSE, of 422 Longview Terrace, Greenville, South Carolina, being of sound mind but being incapacitated physically and being a patient at the Greenville Memorial Hospital, do execute this Power of Attorney in favor of my son, Dr. Joseph I. Converse, of Apt. 100, 300 Pelham Road, Greenville, South Carolina, and I do hereby make, constitute and appoint him as my true and lawful attorney-in-fact for me and in my name, place and stead and on my behalf and for my use and benefit to exercise or perform any act, power, duty, right or obligation whatever that I now have or may hereafter acquire the legal right or power to exercise or perform in connection with, arising from or relating to any person, item, transaction, thing, business, property, real or personal, tangible or intangible, or any matter whatsoever, including, but not limited to, the power to endorse checks or to sign checks on my accounts and authority to draw on or withdraw any sums from my bank accounts or savings and loan accounts, including my account at the South Carolina National Bank and at First Federal Savings and Loan Association.

I grant to said attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do, take and perform any and all acts or things whatsoever necessary or proper to be done in the exercise of any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully as I might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorney-in-fact, or his substitute or substitutes, shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this Power of Attorney and the rights and powers herein granted.

This instrument is to be construed and interpreted as a general Power of Attorney. The enumeration of specific items, rights, acts or powers herein is not intended to, nor does it, limit or restrict, and is not to be construed or interpreted as limiting or restricting, the general powers herein granted to said attorney-in-fact.

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