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**GENERAL POWER OF ATTORNEY  
OF BERT S. OSTRING**

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BY THIS POWER OF ATTORNEY, I, BERT S. OSTRING, name an attorney-in-fact with power to act on my behalf pursuant to I.C. 30-5, as it exists now and is amended in the future.

1. ATTORNEY-IN-FACT. I name WALTER D. CUMMINGS of Flossmoor, Illinois, as my attorney-in-fact.

1.1. LIABILITY LIMITED. My attorney-in-fact shall only be liable for actions taken in bad faith.

1.2. NO FEE. My attorney-in-fact shall not be entitled to a fee for services provided as my attorney-in-fact. My attorney-in-fact shall, however, be entitled to reimbursement for expenses incurred in carrying out the duties and obligations imposed upon my attorney-in-fact by this instrument.

2. EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY. This power of attorney shall be effective as of the date it is signed.

3. POWERS AND AUTHORITIES. I give to my attorney-in-fact or any successor attorney-in-fact the following powers and authorities to be used and exercised on my behalf, to-wit:

3.1. REAL PROPERTY. General authority with respect to real property transactions pursuant to I.C. 30-5-5-2;

3.2. TANGIBLE PERSONAL PROPERTY. General authority with respect to tangible personal property pursuant to I.C. 30-5-5-3;

3.3. BOND, SHARE AND COMMODITY. General authority with respect to bond, share and commodity transactions pursuant to I.C. 30-5-5-4;

3.4. BANKING. General authority with respect to banking transactions.. pursuant to I.C. 30-5-5-5;

3.5. BUSINESS. General authority with respect to business operating transactions pursuant to I.C. 30-5-5-6;

3.6. INSURANCE. General authority with respect to insurance transactions pursuant to I.C. 30-5-5-7;

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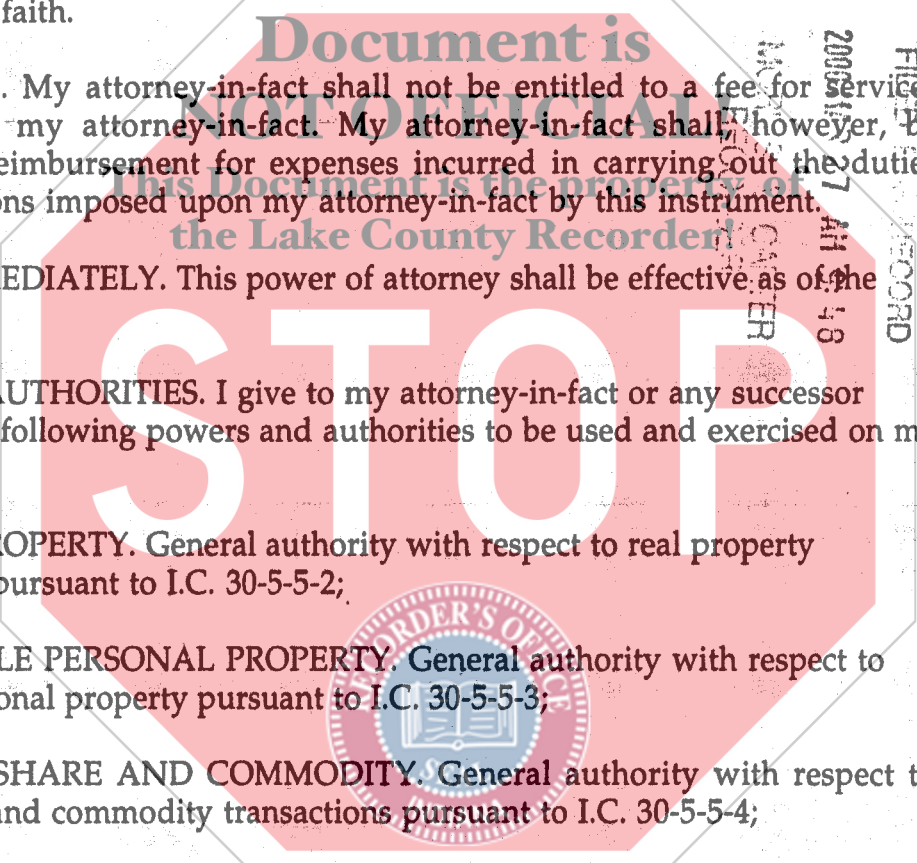
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3.7. **BENEFICIARY.** General authority with respect to beneficiary transactions pursuant to I.C. 30-5-5-8;

3.8. **GIFTS** General authority with respect to gift transactions pursuant to I.C. 30-5-5-9;

3.9. **FIDUCIARY.** General authority with respect to fiduciary transactions pursuant to I.C. 30-5-5-10;

3.10. **CLAIMS AND LITIGATION.** General authority with respect to claims and litigation pursuant to I.C. 30-5-5-11;

3.11. **RECORDS, REPORTS AND STATEMENTS.** General authority with respect to records, reports and statements pursuant to I.C. 30-5-5-14 including the power to execute on my behalf any specific power of attorney required by any taxing authority to allow my attorney-in-fact to act on my behalf before that taxing authority on any return or issue;

3.12. **ESTATE TRANSACTIONS.** General authority with respect to estate transactions pursuant to I.C. 30-5-5-15;

3.13. **DELEGATE.** General authority with respect to delegating authority pursuant to I.C. 30-5-5-18;

3.14. **SAFE DEPOSIT BOX.** General authority to have access to and to enter at any time any safe deposit box in my name or in my name jointly with any other person or persons, and to remove any or all of the contents and surrender such box;

3.15. **TRUSTS.** General authority to transfer any of my property to the trustee(s) of any trust which I may have created for my benefit to be administered and distributed in accordance with the provisions thereof; and to require the trustee(s) thereof to make payment of the income or principal to my attorney-in-fact; and

3.16. **ALL OTHER MATTERS.** General authority with respect to all other matters pursuant to I.C. 30-5-5-19;

provided, however, my attorney-in-fact shall not have any power or authority which would cause my attorney-in-fact to be treated as the owner of any interest in my property which would cause that property to be treated and taxed as though owned by my attorney-in-fact.

4. **SUPERSEDES PRIOR POWERS OF ATTORNEY.** This power of attorney

supersedes all other powers of attorney I executed prior to the date of this power of attorney.

5. GUARDIAN. If protective proceedings are instituted on my behalf or a guardian is requested to act on my behalf, I name my attorney-in-fact to act on my behalf or as my guardian.

6. TERMINATION ON DEATH. Without regard to my mental or physical condition, this power of attorney shall continue in effect until revoked or until my death whichever occurs first.

7. APPLICABLE LAW. This instrument is to be governed by the laws of the State of Indiana.

EXECUTED this 28th day of August, 1997.

*Bert S. Ostring*

BERT S. OSTRING

STATE OF ILLINOIS )  
                                  ) SS.  
COUNTY OF COOK )

The undersigned, a Notary Public in and for the above County and State, certifies and witnesses that the abovesigned, personally known to me to be the same person whose name is subscribed to this instrument, appeared before me in person and acknowledged the signature and delivered the instrument as a free and voluntary act, for the uses and purposes named in the instrument.

Dated: Aug 28, 1997

*Alice M. Dyrek*  
Notary Public

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"OFFICIAL SEAL"  
Alice M. Dyrek  
Notary Public, State of Illinois  
My Commission Expires 02/16/99  
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This instrument prepared by CHRISTOPHER J. CUMMINGS, Attorney at Law  
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