

CONNECTICUT DURABLE STATUTORY POWER OF ATTORNEY – SHORT FORM

Notice: The powers granted by this document are broad and sweeping. They are defined in the Connecticut Uniform Power of Attorney Act, which expressly permits the use of any other or different form of power of attorney desired by the parties concerned. The grantor of any power of attorney, the agent or such other person or entities as authorized by statute may make application to a Probate Court for an accounting as provided in subsection (d) of section 45a-175, of the Connecticut General Statutes. This power of attorney does not authorize the agent to make health care decisions for you.

Know All Persons by These Presents, which are intended to constitute a GENERAL POWER OF ATTORNEY pursuant to the Connecticut Uniform Power of Attorney Act:

That I, _____
[insert name and address of the principal]

do hereby appoint: _____
[insert name and address of the agent,
or each agent, if more than one is designated]

my agent(s) TO ACT _____
[If more than one agent is designated and the principal wishes each agent alone to be able to exercise the power conferred, insert in this blank the word 'severally.' Failure to make any insertion or the insertion of the word 'jointly' shall require the agents to act jointly.]

First: In my name, place and stead in any way which I myself could do, if I were personally present, with respect to the following matters as each of them is defined in the Connecticut Uniform Power of Attorney Act to the extent that I am permitted by law to act through an agent:

(Strike out and initial in the opposite box any one or more of the subparagraphs as to which the principal does NOT desire to give the agent authority. Such elimination of any one or more of subparagraphs (A) to (M), inclusive, shall automatically constitute an elimination also of subparagraph (N).)

To strike out any subparagraph the principal must draw a line through the text of that subparagraph AND write his initials in the box opposite.

- A. Real property; []
- B. Tangible personal property; []
- C. Stocks and bonds; []
- D. Commodities and options; []
- E. Banks and other financial institutions; []
- F. Operation of entity or business; []
- G. Insurance and annuities; []
- H. Estates, trusts, and other beneficial interests; []
- I. Claims and litigation; []
- J. Personal and family maintenance; []
- K. Benefits from governmental programs or civil or military service; []
- L. Retirement plans; []
- M. Taxes; []
- N. All other matters: []

(Special provisions and limitations may be included in the statutory form power of attorney only if they conform to the requirements of the Connecticut Uniform Power of Attorney Act.)

Second: LIMITATION ON AGENT'S AUTHORITY

An agent MAY NOT use my property to benefit the agent or a dependent of the agent unless I have included that authority in the special instructions.

Third: With full and unqualified authority to delegate any or all of the foregoing powers to any person or persons whom my agent(s) shall select.

Fourth: Hereby ratifying and confirming all that said agent(s) or substitute(s) do or cause to be done.

Fifth: DESIGNATION OF SUCCESSOR AGENT(S) (OPTIONAL)

If my agent(s) shall be unable or unwilling to act for me, I name as my successor agent:

Name of First Successor Agent: _____

First Successor Agent's Address: _____

If my successor agent is unable or unwilling to act for me, I name as my second successor agent:

Name of Second Successor Agent: _____

Second Successor Agent's Address: _____

Sixth: DESIGNATION OF CONSERVATOR OF ESTATE (OPTIONAL)

If a conservator of my estate should be appointed, I designate as conservator of my estate:

Name of Conservator of Estate: _____

Conservator's Address: _____

If my designated conservator cannot act, I designate as conservator of my estate:

Name of Alternate Conservator: _____

Alternate Conservator's Address: _____

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR AGENT

Agent's Duties

When you accept the authority granted under this power of attorney, a special legal relationship is created between you and the principal. This relationship continues until you resign or the power of attorney is terminated or revoked. You must:

- (1) Do what you know the principal reasonably expects you to do with the principal's property or, if you do not know the principal's expectations, act in the principal's best interest;
- (2) Act in good faith;
- (3) Do nothing beyond the authority granted in this power of attorney; and
- (4) Disclose your identity as an agent whenever you act for the principal by writing or printing the name of the principal and signing your own name as "agent" in the following manner:

(Principal's Name) by (Your Signature) as Agent

Unless the special instructions in this power of attorney state otherwise, you must also:

- (1) Act loyally for the principal's benefit;
- (2) Avoid conflicts that would impair your ability to act in the principal's best interest;
- (3) Act with care, competence, and diligence;
- (4) Keep a record of all receipts, disbursements, and transactions made on behalf of the principal;
- (5) Cooperate with any person that has authority to make health care decisions for the principal to do what you know the principal reasonably expects or, if you do not know the principal's expectations, to act in the principal's best interest; and
- (6) Attempt to preserve the principal's estate plan if you know the plan and preserving the plan is consistent with the principal's best interest.

Termination of Agent's Authority

You must stop acting on behalf of the principal if you learn of any event that terminates this power of attorney or your authority under this power of attorney. Events that terminate a power of attorney or your authority to act under a power of attorney include:

- (1) Death of the principal;
- (2) The principal's revocation of the power of attorney or your authority;
- (3) The occurrence of a termination event stated in the power of attorney;
- (4) The purpose of the power of attorney is fully accomplished; or
- (5) If you are married to the principal, a legal action is filed with a court to end your marriage through divorce or annulment, or for your legal separation, unless the special instructions in this power of attorney state that such an action will not terminate your authority.

Liability of Agent

The meaning of the authority granted to you is defined in the Connecticut Uniform Power of Attorney Act, Sections 1-350 to 1-353b of the Connecticut General Statutes, inclusive. If you violate the Connecticut Uniform Power of Attorney Act, Sections 1-350 to 1-353b, inclusive or act outside the authority granted, you may be liable for any damages caused by your violation.

If there is anything about this document or your duties that you do not understand, you should seek legal advice.