Instructions for Completing General Power of Attorney

DESIGNATION OF AGENT

You, the person giving power of attorney authority to another, are the “principal.” Place your full name in the blank after “I” and before (your name).

Your agent is the person to whom you are giving power of attorney authority. Place your agent’s full name, address, and telephone number on the lines as indicated.

DESIGNATION OF SUCCESSOR AGENT(S)

A successor agent can be appointed to act in case the original agent is unable to act for you.

This is an optional section. If you do not want to appoint a successor or second successor agent, enter “N/A” or “Not Applicable” in the blanks.

If you would like to name a successor agent, place the full name, address, and telephone number of the successor agent on the lines as indicated.

If you would like to name a second successor agent (in case you successor agent is unable to act for you), place the full name, address, and telephone number of the successor agent on the lines as indicated.

GRANT OF GENERAL AUTHORITY

If you would like to give your agent power to act on your behalf with regard to only certain subjects:

Check the box next to either “yes” or “no” on EVERY subject, including checking the “no” box on the last line for “All Preceding Subjects”, and initial on the line provided on EVERY subject.

If you would like your agent to have power to act on your behalf with regard to ALL the subjects listed:
Check the “yes” box next to the “All Preceding Subjects” line (last line in the section), and initial on the line provided on only that subject line.

A brief explanation of the subjects are listed below, however, for a full definition of each subject, please see Nebraska Revised Statutes Chapter 30-4027 through Chapter 30-4040.

REAL PROPERTY generally includes land and structures attached to land (for a full definition, please see Nebraska Revised Statutes Chapter 30-4027).

TANGIBLE PERSONAL PROPERTY generally includes property which can be physically identified and transferred (for a full definition, please see Nebraska Revised Statutes Chapter 30-4028).

STOCKS AND BONDS generally do not include commodity futures contracts and call or put options on stocks or stock indexes (for a full definition, please see Nebraska Revised Statutes Chapter 30-4029).

COMMODITIES AND OPTIONS generally do not include stocks and bonds (for a full definition, please see Nebraska Revised Statutes Chapter 30-4030).

BANKS AND OTHER FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS generally include trusts, savings and loans, credit unions, and brokerage institutions (for a full definition, please see Nebraska Revised Statutes Chapter 30-4031).
OPERATION OF AN ENTITY OR BUSINESS generally includes contracts, insurance payments, collections, and tax responsibilities (for a full definition, please see Nebraska Revised Statutes Chapter 30-4032).

INSURANCE AND ANNUITIES generally includes rights regarding benefits and responsibilities for premiums (for a full definition, please see Nebraska Revised Statutes Chapter 30-4033).

ESTATES, TRUSTS, OR OTHER BENEFICIAL INTERESTS generally include guardianships and conservatorships (for a full definition, please see Nebraska Revised Statutes Chapter 30-4034).

CLAIMS AND LITIGATION generally includes asserting and maintaining a claim before a court or administrative agency (for a full definition, please see Nebraska Revised Statutes Chapter 30-4035).

PERSONAL AND FAMILY MAINTENANCE generally includes maintaining the customary standard of living of the principal and principal’s family (for a full definition, please see Nebraska Revised Statutes Chapter 30-4036).

BENEFITS FROM GOVERNMENTAL PROGRAMS OR CIVIL OR MILITARY SERVICE generally includes some retirement accounts (for a full definition, please see Nebraska Revised Statutes Chapter 30-4037).

RETIREMENT PLANS generally excludes certain benefits from governmental programs or civil military service (for a full definition, please see Nebraska Revised Statutes Chapter 30-4038).

TAXES generally include federal, state, local, foreign income, gift, payroll, property, Federal Insurance Contributions Act, and other taxes (for a full definition, please see Nebraska Revised Statutes Chapter 30-4039).

**GRANT OF SPECIFIC AUTHORITY (OPTIONAL)**

This is an optional section. Unless you check the “yes” box next to any of the statements, and initial on the lines provided, your agent will NOT have that authority. In other words, in order to grant an authority to your agent under this section, you must check the “yes” box and initial on the line provided for each authority you wish to give your agent.

You may give your agent power to perform specific acts. Such acts could significantly reduce your property or change how your property is distributed at your death. To give your agent power to perform a specific act, check the “yes” or “no” box next to EVERY specific authority and initial the line next to EVERY specific act you would like to give your agent power to perform.

**SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS**

This is an optional section. If you do not want to include any special instructions, enter “N/A” or “Not Applicable” in the blank.

You may have special instructions which are not provided for by the form. If you have such special instructions, please write them on the lines contained in the “Special Instructions” section. This is the section you can use to name co-agents (please see “Selecting More Than One Agent”).
This is an optional section. If you do not want to nominate a guardian and/or conservator for yourself, enter “N/A” or “Not Applicable” in the blanks.

Conservator: You can select who you would like a court to appoint (designate) as a conservator of your estate (someone who handles the finances concerning your possessions) if it becomes necessary for a court to do so. Fill out the name, address, and telephone number for the person you would like to be conservator of your estate on the lines indicated.

Guardian: You can select who you would want a court to appoint (designate) as guardian of your person (someone who handles non-financial decisions for you) if it becomes necessary for a court to do so. Fill out the name, address, and telephone number for the person you would like to be your guardian on the lines indicated.

Nominating a guardian and/or conservator does not guarantee they will be appointed by the court. But it does let the court know who you prefer. There are specific requirements that each guardian and/or conservator must meet prior to being appointed. Uniform County Court Rules of Practice and Procedure, § 6-1449.

SIGNATURE AND ACKNOWLEDGMENT

The General Power of Attorney form must be signed in the presence of a notary to be valid. Do NOT sign the document UNTIL A NOTARY IS PRESENT AND WITNESSES YOU SIGNING THE DOCUMENT. Be sure to include the date you signed the document.

WHAT TO DO WITH THE COMPLETED GENERAL POWER OF ATTORNEY FORM

Power of Attorney forms do not have to be filed with a court; however, it is very important to keep the form in a secure place where it will not be damaged. You should give a copy of the notarized power of attorney to your agent. Additionally, it is very important that all people involved with the power of attorney form are aware of the location of the form, for future reference.

NOTE: Every power of attorney ends immediately upon death of the principal.