THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA )

POWER OF ATTORNEY

COUNTY OF GREENVILLE )

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: That I, L. L. Bates, of the City of Greenville, County and State aforesaid, do hereby appoint my son, Lewie L. Bates, Jr., my true and lawful attorney-in-fact for me and in my name, place and stead:

To demand, sue for and receive all debts, monies, securities for money, goods, chattels, legacies or other personal property to which I am now, or may hereafter become, entitled, or which are now, or may become due, owing or payable to me from any person or persons whomsoever, and in my name to give effectual receipts and discharges for the same.

To commence, prosecute or enforce, or to defend against or oppose all actions or other legal proceedings touching upon any matter pertaining to my estate, or any other matters in which I am, or may hereafter be, interested or concerned; and also, as he shall deem best to compromise, refer to arbitration or submit to judgment in any such action or proceeding.

To compound and accept part in lieu of and in satisfaction for the whole of, or compromise any debt or sum of money now or hereafter owing or payable to me, including any and all insurance matters of every kind and nature, and any other claim or demand which I now have, or may have, against any persons, firms or corporations; or grant an extension of time for the payment or satisfaction thereof upon such terms as he may deem proper, either with or without taking security for the same, or otherwise to act with respect thereto as my said attorney may think expedient.

To borrow from time to time such sums of money, and upon such terms as my said attorney may think expedient, for or in relation to any of the purposes or objects of this instrument, upon the security of any of my property, either real or personal, or

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