GENERAL POWER OF ATTORNEY

A general power of attorney appoints someone to take care of your personal business and financial affairs. The person whom you appoint is called your "attorney in fact". You can name more than one person to serve in this capacity, or you can name your primary choice with a successor or alternate attorney in fact. A general power of attorney can be plenary, meaning it authorizes the attorney in fact to take care of all of your personal business and financial affairs, or you can limit the authorization to certain specific activities, such as the execution of a mortgage and other documents necessary for a real estate closing.

A general power of attorney is a very important and inexpensive tool, particularly if you become disabled. We advise all of our estate planning clients to execute a general power of attorney.

