

# Specific Power of Attorney

## BY INDIVIDUAL FOR THE COLLECTION OF A SPECIFIED CHECK DRAWN ON THE UNITED STATES TREASURY

Know all by these Presents:

That the undersigned, \_\_\_\_\_, of \_\_\_\_\_  
(address)

does hereby appoint \_\_\_\_\_, of \_\_\_\_\_  
(address)

as his/her attorney to receive, endorse, and collect check No. \_\_\_\_\_, dated \_\_\_\_\_, 20 \_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ dollars drawn on the United States Treasury, by \_\_\_\_\_ in favor of \_\_\_\_\_, and to give full discharge for same; hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorney shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

WITNESS the signature of the undersigned, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20 \_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of grantor)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of Witness)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of Witness)

\* Personally appeared before me the above-named \_\_\_\_\_ known or proved to me to be the same person who executed the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same as his free act and deed.

WITNESS my signature, official designation, and seal.

[IMPRESS SEAL HERE]

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of attesting officer)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Official designation)

Dated at \_\_\_\_\_, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20 \_\_\_\_

My commission expires \_\_\_\_\_, 20 \_\_\_\_

**IMPORTANT** – Do not execute this instrument without first reading the instructions on the next page. Exact compliance with these instructions will avoid complications.

\* See Instructions on next page – Paragraphs 2(a) and 2(b)

# INSTRUCTIONS FOR FMS FORM 232 – READ CAREFULLY

*See 31 CFR Part 240 for more information*

1. A specific power of attorney, which must be executed after the issuance of the check, describing the check in full, as prescribed in *31 U.S.C. 3727*, may be used for the endorsement and collection of any check drawn on the United States Treasury.
- 2(a). Where desirable or where required by foreign, state or local law this power of attorney should be acknowledged by the grantor in the presence of two attesting witnesses, and should be acknowledged before a notary public or other officer authorized by law to administer oaths generally. If in a foreign country, the acknowledgment should be made before a United States diplomatic or consular representative. If such an officer is not available, it may be acknowledged before a notary or other officer authorized to administer oaths, but his official character and jurisdiction must be certified by a United States diplomatic or consular officer, under the seal of his office.
- 2(b). Where the power of attorney is acknowledged pursuant to paragraph 2(a), the seal of attesting officer must always be impressed (or stamped) provided, however, that where acknowledgments before a notary public, or other officer authorized by law to administer oaths, are not thus authenticated by the official impression seal of such officer, the power should be accompanied by a certificate from the proper official showing that the officer was in commission on the date of the acknowledgment. The date when the officer's commission expires should appear in any event. If a certificate is furnished, such certificate should show the dates of the beginning and expiration of the officer's commission, and such period of commission should include the date of acknowledgment of the power.
- 2(c). Notwithstanding the foregoing, persons subject to military jurisdiction may acknowledge powers of attorney before officers specially designated for that purpose pursuant to law.
3. This power of attorney is revoked by the death or incompetence of the grantor and may also be revoked by notice from the grantor to the parties concerned. Notice of revocation to the Treasury will not ordinarily serve to revoke the power.
4. If it is desired that checks be mailed to the attorney instead of to the payee, formal notice of change in the post-office address, identifying the checks affected, should be forwarded to the administrative office that authorized issuance of the checks.
5. **POWERS OF ATTORNEY NEED NOT BE FILED WITH THE UNITED STATES TREASURY.**