

## INSTRUCTIONS FOR GENERAL DURABLE POWER OF ATTORNEY

- The first blank to fill in is the name of the person who is giving a Power of Attorney to another (attorney-in-fact). This person is called the Principal and will be the person signing the document.
- The second blank should be the mailing address of the Principal.
- The third blank should be the name of the person who will have Power of Attorney and act as the attorney-in-fact.
- The fourth blank on the 1<sup>st</sup> page should be the mailing address of the attorney-in-fact.
- On the second page, fill in the date that the document is signed by the Principal.
- After the words “CHECK ONE” there are two blanks and you must check only one.
  - The first option states that the Power of Attorney takes effect as soon as the document is signed and it will stay in effect even if there is a disability or incapacity of the Principal.
  - The second option states that the Power of Attorney ONLY takes effect if there is a disability or incapacity of the Principal.
- Revocation of Power of Attorney – A Power of Attorney can be revoked by the Principal at any time. A copy of the Revocation of Power of Attorney must be delivered to the Attorney-In-Fact.

Power of Attorney statutes are found in the North Dakota Century Code Ch. 30.1-30. You are urged to read all of the statutes before creating a power of attorney.

If, after reading the statute you still have questions you should contact an attorney for advice.

NOTE: Sign the document in front of a Notary Public.