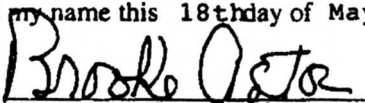


This Durable General Power of Attorney may be revoked by me at any time.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto signed my name this 18th day of May, 2000

(YOU SIGN HERE:)


(Signature of Principal)

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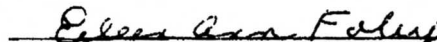
STATE OF NEW YORK, COUNTY OF *New York*

ss.:

On *May 18, 2000* before me, the undersigned, personally appeared

Brooke Astor

personally known to me or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the individual(s) whose name(s) is (are) subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that ~~he/she/they~~ executed the same in ~~his/her/their~~ capacity(ies), and that by ~~his/her/their~~ signature(s) on the instrument, the individual(s), or the person upon behalf of which the individual(s) acted, executed the instrument.


(signature and office of individual taking acknowledgment)

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OUTSIDE NEW YORK STATE

EILEEN ANN FOLEY
Notary Public, State of New York
No. 03-7236188

Qualified in Bronx County
ss.: Certificate filed in New York County
Commission Expires Feb. 28, 2001

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