

HOW TO SIGN AN ENDURING POWER OF ATTORNEY IN QUEENSLAND

Before you sign

- Read the Enduring Power of Attorney thoroughly to make sure it complies with your wishes.
- The Enduring Power of Attorney ***must be witnessed by a either a Justice of the Peace, Commissioner for Declarations, Lawyer or a Notary Public***. The witness must witness your signature on page 9 of the Enduring Power of Attorney and complete the Witness Certificate on 10 of the Enduring Power of Attorney. The witness must also witness your signature on the bottom of each of the Form 8 Additional Pages (if applicable). ***The witness should be present and watch you sign the Enduring Power of Attorney***. Please also insert the date that you signed the Enduring Power of Attorney.

After you sign

- After you have signed the Enduring Power of Attorney, your appointed attorneys must sign above their typed name in Section 5: *Attorney(s)' Acceptance* and write the date. Your attorneys' signatures are not required to be witnessed. It is important that your attorneys' sign after you have signed the Enduring Power of Attorney – ***they must not sign the document before you sign***.

Please note that your Enduring Power of Attorney will not be complete until your appointed attorneys sign the document.

- So that we confirm that your Enduring Power of Attorney has been correctly signed and witnessed in accordance with the legislative requirements, ***we strongly recommend that you return the executed document to us (by registered post)***. We shall then file the original in safe custody on your behalf unless otherwise instructed.

