

OATH OF OFFICE
ASSISTANT COUNTY AUDITOR

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COUNTY CLERK TITUS CO TX

"I, Christie Davis, do solemnly swear that, since my initial appointment as an Assistant county Auditor of Titus County, Texas beginning Oct. 9, 1997, I have faithfully executed and will now, as long as I shall hold said Office, faithfully execute the duties of the office of an Assistant Auditor of Titus County, State of Texas, and will, to the best of my ability preserve, protect, and defend the Constitution and laws of the United States and of this State; and I furthermore solemnly swear, that I have never in the past or now, directly nor indirectly paid, offered, or promised to pay, contributed, nor promised to contribute any money, or valuable thing, or promised any public office or employment, as a reward to secure my appointment or the confirmation thereof; and I have never, in the past, during my services as an Assistant County Auditor, nor will I, during the term of my appointment, become personally interested in a contract with the county; So help me God."

Signed under Oath, by me, Christie Davis, before the undersigned authority, this 22 day of April 2015.

Christie Davis

Signature

Print Name Below:

Christie Davis

Subscribed and Sworn to before me, the undersigned authority, by Christie Davis on this day of 22 April, 2015.

Robert Rolston

Robert Rolston, District Judge
276th Judicial District Court
Titus County, Texas

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TEXAS OFFICIAL BOND AND OATH

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THE STATE OF TEXAS

County of Titus } ss.

COUNTY CLERK Titus Co. TX Bond No. TX 807384

KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS:

BY _____ DEPUTY

That we, CHRISTIE L DAVIS, as Principal, and the MERCHANTS BONDING COMPANY (Mutual), a corporation duly licensed to do business in the State of Texas, as Surety, are held and bound unto District Judge for the County of Titus, his successors in office, in the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) DOLLARS, for the payment of which we hereby bind ourselves and our heirs, executors and administrators, jointly and severally, by these presents.

THE CONDITION OF THE ABOVE OBLIGATION is such, that, whereas, the above bounden Principal was on the 15th day of May, 2013, duly Appointed to the office of Assistant County Auditor in and for Titus County in the State of Texas, for a term beginning the 15th day of May, 2015 and ending the 15th day of May, 2017.

Now, therefore, if the said Principal shall well and faithfully perform and discharge all the duties required of him by law as the aforesaid officer, and shall "faithfully perform the duties of Assistant County Auditor"

then this obligation to be void, otherwise to remain in full force and effect.

PROVIDED, HOWEVER, that regardless of the number of years this bond may remain in force and the number of claims which may be made against this bond, the liability of the Surety shall not be cumulative and the aggregate liability of the Surety for any and all claims, suits, or actions under this bond shall not exceed the amount stated above. Any revision of the bond amount shall not be cumulative.

PROVIDED, FURTHER, that this bond may be canceled by the Surety by sending written notice to the party to whom this bond is payable stating that, not less than thirty (30) days thereafter, the Surety's liability hereunder shall terminate as to subsequent acts of the Principal.

Dated this 1st day of March, 2015

CHRISTIE L DAVIS

Christie Davis

Principal

CHRISTIE L DAVIS

MERCHANTS BONDING COMPANY (Mutual)

By Jeannette D. Blanke
Jeannette D. Blanke, Attorney-in-Fact

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF PRINCIPAL

THE STATE OF TEXAS

County of Titus } ss.

Before me, Sheryl Preddy, a notary public, on this day personally appeared

CHRISTIE L DAVIS

known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing

instrument, and acknowledged to me that he/she executed the same for the purposes and consideration therein expressed.

Given under my hand and seal of office, at Titus County Courthouse this 27th day of April, 2015



Sheryl Preddy
Titus County, Texas.

OATH OF OFFICE
(COUNTY COMMISSIONERS and COUNTY JUDGE)

I, _____, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will faithfully execute the duties of the office of _____ of the State of Texas, and will to the best of my ability preserve, protect, and defend the Constitution and laws of the United States and of this State; and I furthermore solemnly swear (or affirm) that I have not directly nor indirectly paid, offered, or promised to pay, contributed, nor promised to contribute any money, or valuable thing, or promised any public office or employment, as a reward for the giving or withholding a vote at the election at which I was elected; and I furthermore solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will not be, directly or indirectly, interested in any contract with or claim against the County, except such contracts or claims as are expressly authorized by law and except such warrants as may issue to me as fees of office. So help me God.

Signed _____

Sworn to and subscribed before me at _____, Texas, this _____ day of _____

SEAL

_____ County, Texas

OATH OF OFFICE
(General)

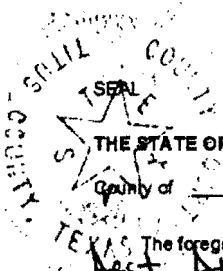
I, Christie Davis, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will faithfully execute the duties of the office of Assistant County Auditor Titus County, Texas of the State of Texas, and will to the best of my ability preserve, protect, and defend the Constitution and laws of the United States and of this State; and I furthermore solemnly swear (or affirm) that I have not directly nor indirectly paid, offered, or promised to pay, contributed, nor promised to contribute any money, or valuable thing, or promised any public office or employment, ~~as a reward for the giving or withholding a vote at the election at which I was elected.~~ So help me God.

Signed Christie Davis

Sworn to and subscribed before me at mt. Pleasant, TX, Texas, this 22 day of April, 2015

Paul Palmer

Titus County, Texas



THE STATE OF TEXAS } ss
County of Titus

The foregoing bond of Christie Davis as Asst Auditor in and for Titus County and State of Texas, this day approved in open Commissioner's Court.

ATTEST: Jean Newman Clerk Date April 27, 2015
_____ County Judge
County Court Titus County Titus County, Texas

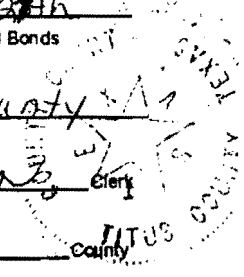
THE STATE OF TEXAS } ss
County of Titus

I, Jean Newman, County Clerk, in and for said County, do hereby certify that the foregoing Bond dated the 15 day of May, 2015 with its certificates of authentication, was filed for record in my office the 27th day of April, 2015 at 8:10 o'clock P M., and duly recorded the 28th day of April, 2015 at 8:17 o'clock P M., in the Records of Official Bonds of said County in Volume 2015026 on page _____

WITNESS my hand and the seal of the County Court of said County, at office in Titus County, TX, Texas, the day and year last above written.

Jean Newman Clerk

By _____ Deputy County Court Titus County



**MERCHANTS
BONDING COMPANY™
POWER OF ATTORNEY**

Know All Persons By These Presents, that MERCHANTS BONDING COMPANY (MUTUAL) and MERCHANTS NATIONAL BONDING, INC., both being corporations duly organized under the laws of the State of Iowa (herein collectively called the "Companies"), and that the Companies do hereby make, constitute and appoint, individually,

Brenda L Sutton; Donald Newton Morriss; Jeannette D Blanke; Kristina Michael Wright; Rolla Scott Bruner

of Texarkana and State of Texas their true and lawful Attorney-in-Fact, with full power and authority hereby conferred in their name, place and stead, to sign, execute, acknowledge and deliver in their behalf as surety any and all bonds, undertakings, recognizances or other written obligations in the nature thereof, subject to the limitation that any such instrument shall not exceed the amount of:

FIVE MILLION (\$5,000,000.00) DOLLARS

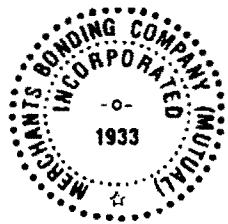
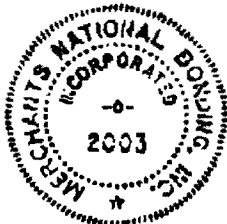
and to bind the Companies thereby as fully and to the same extent as if such bond or undertaking was signed by the duly authorized officers of the Companies, and all the acts of said Attorney-in-Fact, pursuant to the authority herein given, are hereby ratified and confirmed.

This Power-of-Attorney is made and executed pursuant to and by authority of the following By-Laws adopted by the Board of Directors of the Merchants Bonding Company (Mutual) on April 23, 2011 and adopted by the Board of Directors of Merchants National Bonding, Inc., on October 24, 2011.

"The President, Secretary, Treasurer, or any Assistant Treasurer or any Assistant Secretary or any Vice President shall have power and authority to appoint Attorneys-in-Fact, and to authorize them to execute on behalf of the Company, and attach the seal of the Company thereto, bonds and undertakings, recognizances, contracts of indemnity and other writings obligatory in the nature thereof.

The signature of any authorized officer and the seal of the Company may be affixed by facsimile or electronic transmission to any Power of Attorney or Certification thereof authorizing the execution and delivery of any bond, undertaking, recognizance, or other suretyship obligations of the Company, and such signature and seal when so used shall have the same force and effect as though manually fixed."

In Witness Whereof, the Companies have caused this instrument to be signed and sealed this 13th day of August, 2014.



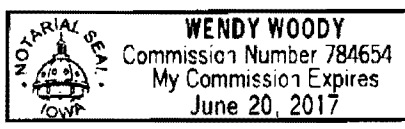
MERCHANTS BONDING COMPANY (MUTUAL)
MERCHANTS NATIONAL BONDING, INC.

By *Larry Taylor*
President

STATE OF IOWA
COUNTY OF POLK ss.

On this 13th day of August, 2014, before me appeared Larry Taylor, to me personally known, who being by me duly sworn did say that he is President of the MERCHANTS BONDING COMPANY (MUTUAL) and MERCHANTS NATIONAL BONDING, INC.; and that the seals affixed to the foregoing instrument is the Corporate Seals of the Companies; and that the said instrument was signed and sealed in behalf of the Companies by authority of their respective Boards of Directors.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Official Seal at the City of Des Moines, Iowa, the day and year first above written.



Wendy Woody

Notary Public, Polk County, Iowa

STATE OF IOWA
COUNTY OF POLK ss.

I, William Warner, Jr., Secretary of the MERCHANTS BONDING COMPANY (MUTUAL) and MERCHANTS NATIONAL BONDING, INC., do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the POWER-OF-ATTORNEY executed by said Companies, which is still in full force and effect and has not been amended or revoked.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Companies on this 1st day of March, 2015



William Warner Jr.
Secretary

POA 0014 (7/14)

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I hereby certify that this instrument was FILED on the date and time stamped hereon and RECORDED in the PUBLIC RECORDS of Titus County, Texas.



Joan Newman

Joan Newman, County Clerk
Titus County, Texas

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