



BOND - OFFICIAL

SAFECO INSURANCE COMPANY OF AMERICA  
GENERAL INSURANCE COMPANY OF AMERICA  
FIRST NATIONAL INSURANCE COMPANY OF AMERICA  
HOME OFFICE: SAFECO PLAZA  
SEATTLE, WASHINGTON 98185

Bond 5750725

THE STATE OF ALABAMA,

Shelby County

Ronald Charles Howard

KNOW ALL BY THESE PRESENTS, That we  
as Principal, and SAFECO INSURANCE COMPANY OF AMERICA, a corporation organized and existing under and by  
virtue of the laws of the State of Washington, and authorized to become sole surety on bonds in the State of Alabama are  
held and firmly bound unto the State of Alabama, in the sum of Ten Thousand and no/100-----

----- (\$ 10,000.00 ) Dollars, for the  
payment of which well and truly to be made and done, we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors, administrators and assigns,  
firmly by these presents, and we hereby waive our right to claim personal property exempt under the laws of Alabama.

Sealed with our seals, and dated this 11th day of December, 19 93.  
The condition of the above obligation, That whereas the above bound Ronald Charles Howard

was duly appointed  
to the office of Notary Public on the 11th day of December, 1993; for  
the term of Four years from the 11th day of December, 1993  
In Precinct No. State at Large in and for said County.

Now, if the said Principal shall faithfully  
perform and discharge all the duties of said office during his/her continuance therein then the above obligation to be void,  
otherwise to remain in full force and effect.



Ronald Charles Howard, Principal  
(L.S.)

SAFECO INSURANCE COMPANY OF AMERICA  
By Greg Bell, Attorney-in-Fact

Taken and approved this 14th day of December, 19 93.

Thomas A. Mendenhall, Jr., Judge of Probate

OATH OF OFFICE

THE STATE OF ALABAMA,

Shelby County

I, Ronald Charles Howard solemnly swear that I will support the constitution  
of the United States and the constitution of the State of Alabama, so long as I continue a citizen thereof; and that I will  
faithfully and honestly discharge the duties of the office upon which I am about to enter, to the best of my ability. So help  
me God.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 11th  
day of December, 19 93.  
Greg Bell, Notary Public

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POWER  
OF ATTORNEY

SAFECO INSURANCE COMPANY OF AMERICA  
HOME OFFICE: SAFECO PLAZA  
SEATTLE, WASHINGTON 98185

No. 5227

KNOW ALL BY THESE PRESENTS:

That **SAFECO INSURANCE COMPANY OF AMERICA**, a Washington corporation, does hereby appoint

\*\*\*\*\*GEORGE T. BENTLEY; SUE WALTON, Columbiana, Alabama\*\*\*\*\*

its true and lawful attorney(s)-in-fact, with full authority to execute on behalf of the company fidelity and surety bonds or undertakings and other documents of a similar character issued by the company in the course of its business, and to bind **SAFECO INSURANCE COMPANY OF AMERICA** thereby as fully as if such instruments had been duly executed by its regularly elected officers at its home office.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, **SAFECO INSURANCE COMPANY OF AMERICA** has executed and attested these presents

this 4th day of January, 19 93.

CERTIFICATE

Extract from the By-Laws of **SAFECO INSURANCE COMPANY OF AMERICA**:

"Article V, Section 13. - FIDELITY AND SURETY BONDS . . . the President, any Vice President, the Secretary, and any Assistant Vice President appointed for that purpose by the officer in charge of surety operations, shall each have authority to appoint individuals as attorneys-in-fact or under other appropriate titles with authority to execute on behalf of the company fidelity and surety bonds and other documents of similar character issued by the company in the course of its business . . . On any instrument making or evidencing such appointment, the signatures may be affixed by facsimile. On any instrument conferring such authority or on any bond or undertaking of the company, the seal, or a facsimile thereof, may be impressed or affixed or in any other manner reproduced; provided, however, that the seal shall not be necessary to the validity of any such instrument or undertaking."

Extract from a Resolution of the Board of Directors of  
**SAFECO INSURANCE COMPANY OF AMERICA** adopted July 28, 1970.

"On any certificate executed by the Secretary or an assistant secretary of the Company setting out,

- (i) The provisions of Article V, Section 13 of the By-Laws, and
- (ii) A copy of the power-of-attorney appointment, executed pursuant thereto, and
- (iii) Certifying that said power-of-attorney appointment is in full force and effect,

the signature of the certifying officer may be by facsimile, and the seal of the Company may be a facsimile thereof."

I, R. A. Pierson, Secretary of **SAFECO INSURANCE COMPANY OF AMERICA**, do hereby certify that the foregoing extracts of the By-Laws and of a Resolution of the Board of Directors of this corporation, and of a Power of Attorney issued pursuant thereto, are true and correct, and that both the By-Laws, the Resolution and the Power of Attorney are still in full force and effect.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the facsimile seal of said corporation

this 11th day of December, 19 93.

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SHELBY COUNTY JUDGE OF PROBATE  
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