#### THE STATE OF ALABAMA

### NOTARY PUBLIC OFFICIAL BOND

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS Bond No. 8S10064398401136

| That we  | RAY A. CARLE   |                                       |
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| are held and firmly bound unto The State of Alabar | ma in the penal sum of                                       |                                       |
|  | Ten Thousand and 00/100 DONA                                 | RS DH                                 |
| for which payment well and truly to be made, we b  | 4 ourselves, our heirs, executors and administrators, join   | tilv i til                            |
| and severally, firmly by these presents.           | Ğ  | S S S S S S S S S S S S S S S S S S S |
| •  | day of October A. D. 20                                      |                                       |
|  | HE ABOVE OBLIGATION IS SUCH                                  | 9                                     |
| That whereas the above bounden                     | ••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••                       |                                       |
| was on the day of October 10th 2001 de             | •  |                                       |
| Notary   |  | <del></del>                           |
| NOW, if the said                                   | RAY A. CARLE   |                                       |
|  | luring the time he continues therein, or discharges any of   | the                                   |
|  | erwise to remain in full force and effect for the term of fo |                                       |
| (4) years from the date of the notary commission.  | RAY A. CARLE   |                                       |
| SIGNED, SEALED AND DELIVERED                       |  |                                       |
| In Presence of                                     | ) MX.  | Scal                                  |
|  | TRAVELERS CASUALTY AND SURETY COMPANY OF AMERICA             | Scal                                  |
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| Jessica/B Yates (                                  | Karen Daniel Attorney-iri-Fact                               | Scal                                  |
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|  | Taken and approved theday of                                 | obar                                  |
|  | 2001   |                                       |
|  | Patricia lance Al : 09                                       | <del></del>                           |
|  | Judge of Probate   | <del></del>                           |
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| OATH   | OF OFFICE  | • '                                   |
|  |  |                                       |
| RAY A. CARLE                                       | do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support            | the                                   |
| Constitution of the United States and the Constitu | ation of the State of Alabama, so long as I continue a citi  |                                       |
|  | charge the duties of the office upon which I am about to en  |                                       |
| to the best of my ability: So Help me, God.        |  |                                       |
| )  |  |                                       |
| Subscribed and Sworn to before me, This            |  |                                       |

# TRAVELERS CASUALTY AND SURETY COMPANY OF AMERICA TRAVELERS CASUALTY AND SURETY COMPANY FARMINGTON CASUALTY COMPANY Hartford, Connecticut 06183-9062

#### POWER OF ATTORNEY AND CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY OF ATTORNEY(S)-IN-FACT

KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS, THAT TRAVELERS CASUALTY AND SURETY COMPANY OF AMERICA, TRAVELERS CASUALTY AND SURETY COMPANY and FARMINGTON CASUALTY COMPANY, corporations duly organized under the laws of the State of Connecticut, and having their principal offices in the City of Hartford, County of Hartford, State of Connecticut, (hereinafter the "Companies") hath made, constituted and appointed, and do by these presents make, constitute and appoint: Thomas J. Joslin, Christine Marotta, Jim Cuthbertson, Karen Daniel, Kathleen J. Mailes, Linda Iser, Mary C. O'Leary, Sandra Martinez, Susan A. Welsh, Susan J. Preiksa, Geoffrey E. Heekin, Robert E. Duncan, Patricia Thurmond, Jennifer L. Jakaitis, Joanne M. Słowik, of Chicago, Illinois, their true and lawful Attorney(s)-in-Fact, with full power and authority hereby conferred to sign, execute and acknowledge, at any place within the United States, the following instrument(s): by his/her sole signature and act, any and all bonds, recognizances, contracts of indemnity, and other writings obligatory in the nature of a bond, recognizance, or conditional undertaking and any and all consents incident thereto and to bind the Companies, thereby as fully and to the same extent as if the same were signed by the duly authorized officers of the Companies, and all the acts of said Attorney(s)-in-Fact, pursuant to the authority herein given, are hereby ratified and confirmed.

This appointment is made under and by authority of the following Standing Resolutions of said Companies, which Resolutions are now in full force and effect:

VOTED: That the Chairman, the President, any Vice Chairman, any Executive Vice President, any Senior Vice President, any Vice President, any Second Vice President, the Treasurer, any Assistant Treasurer, the Corporate Secretary or any Assistant Secretary may appoint Attorneys-in-Fact and Agents to act for and on behalf of the company and may give such appointee such authority as his or her certificate of authority may prescribe to sign with the Company's name and seal with the Company's seal bonds, recognizances, contracts of indemnity, and other writings obligatory in the nature of a bond, recognizance, or conditional undertaking, and any of said officers or the Board of Directors at any time may remove any such appointee and revoke the power given him or her.

VOTED: That the Chairman, the President, any Vice Chairman, any Executive Vice President, any Senior Vice President or any Vice President may delegate all or any part of the foregoing authority to one or more officers or employees of this Company, provided that each such delegation is in writing and a copy thereof is filed in the office of the Secretary.

VOTED: That any bond, recognizance, contract of indemnity, or writing obligatory in the nature of a bond, recognizance, or conditional undertaking shall be valid and binding upon the Company when (a) signed by the President, any Vice Chairman, any Executive Vice President, any Senior Vice President or any Vice President, any Second Vice President, the Treasurer, any Assistant Treasurer, the Corporate Secretary or any Assistant Secretary and duly attested and sealed with the Company's seal by a Secretary or Assistant Secretary, or (b) duly executed (under seal, if required) by one or more Attorneys-in-Fact and Agents pursuant to the power prescribed in his or her certificate or their certificates of authority or by one or more Company officers pursuant to a written delegation of authority.

This Power of Attorney and Certificate of Authority is signed and sealed by facsimile (mechanical or printed) under and by authority of the following Standing Resolution voted by the Boards of Directors of TRAVELERS CASUALTY AND SURETY COMPANY OF AMERICA, TRAVELERS CASUALTY AND SURETY COMPANY and FARMINGTON CASUALTY COMPANY, which Resolution is now in full force and effect:

VOTED: That the signature of each of the following officers: President, any Executive Vice President, any Senior Vice President, any Vice President, any Assistant Vice President, any Secretary, and the seal of the Company may be affixed by facsimile to any power of attorney or to any certificate relating thereto appointing Resident Vice Presidents, Resident Assistant Secretaries or Attorneys-in-Fact for purposes only of executing and attesting bonds and undertakings and other writings obligatory in the nature thereof, and any such power of attorney or certificate bearing such facsimile signature or facsimile seal shall be valid and binding upon the Company and any such power so executed and certified by such facsimile signature and facsimile seal shall be valid and binding upon the Company in the future with respect to any bond or undertaking to which it is attached.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, TRAVELERS CASUALTY AND SURETY COMPANY OF AMERICA, TRAVELERS CASUALTY AND SURETY COMPANY and FARMINGTON CASUALTY COMPANY have caused this instrument to be signed by their Senior Vice President and their corporate seals to be hereto affixed this 23rd day of February 2001.

STATE OF CONNECTICUT

SS. Hartford

COUNTY OF HARTFORD

TRAVELERS CASUALTY AND SURETY COMPANY OF AMERICA TRAVELERS CASUALTY AND SURETY COMPANY FARMINGTON CASUALTY COMPANY

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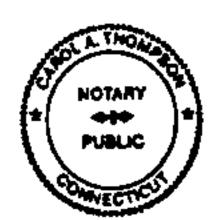
George W. Thompson Senior Vice President







On this 23rd day of February, 2001 before me personally came GEORGE W. THOMPSON to me known, who, being by me duly sworn, did depose and say: that he/she is Senior Vice President of TRAVELERS CASUALTY AND SURETY COMPANY OF AMERICA, TRAVELERS CASUALTY AND SURETY COMPANY and FARMINGTON CASUALTY COMPANY, the corporations described in and which executed the above instrument; that he/she knows the seals of said corporations; that the seals affixed to the said instrument are such corporate seals; and that he/she executed the said instrument on behalf of the corporations by authority of his/her office under the Standing Resolutions thereof.



Carol a Skompson

My commission expires December 31, 2002 Notary Public Carol A. Thompson

#### **CERTIFICATE**

I, the undersigned, Assistant Secretary of TRAVELERS CASUALTY AND SURETY COMPANY OF AMERICA, TRAVELERS CASUALTY AND SURETY COMPANY and FARMINGTON CASUALTY COMPANY, stock corporations of the State of Connecticut, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing and attached Power of Attorney and Certificate of Authority remains in full force and has not been revoked; and furthermore, that the Standing Resolutions of the Boards of Directors, as set forth in the Certificate of Authority, are now in force.

Signed and Sealed at the Home Office of the Company, in the City of Hartford, State of Connecticut. Dated this /0/1/2 day of







y Mi M. Johanson

Assistant Secretary, Bond

#### **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT BY SURETY**

## STATE OF ILLINOIS COUNTY OF COOK

On this 10th day of October, 2001, before me, Linda Iser, a Notary Public, within and for said County and State, personally appeared Karen Daniel to me personally known to be the Attorney-in-Fact of and for Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America and acknowledged that she executed the said instrument as the free act and deed of said Company.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal, at my office in the aforesaid County, the day and year in this certificate first above written.

Notary Public in the State of Illinois

County of Cook

OFFICIAL SEAL LINDA ISER NOTARY PUBLIC - STATE OF ILLINOIS MY COMMISSION EXPIRES AUG 08, 2005

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