



# Western Surety Company

## NOTARY PUBLIC BOND

THE STATE OF ALABAMA,

At Large County

KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS:

Bond No. 69363547N

That we, Shelley Nicole Merrifield,  
as Principal, and WESTERN SURETY COMPANY, a corporation duly licensed to do business in the State  
of Alabama, as Surety, are held and firmly bound unto the State of Alabama, in the sum of  
TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$ \$10,000.00 ),  
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 26th day of Sept., 2002.

The condition of the above obligation, That whereas the above bound Principal was duly appointed to the office of  
Notary Public on the 25th day of Sept., 2002; for the term of 04  
years from the date of Notary Commission in Precinct No. State of Alabama 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 continuance  
therein then the above obligation to be void, otherwise to remain in full force and effect.

Mark W. Williams

Countersigned by Alabama Resident Agent  
MC GRIFF, SEIBELS &  
WILLIAMS, INC.

Name of Agent or Agency  
P. O. BOX 10265  
BIRMINGHAM, AL 35202-0265  
Street City State

J. Nicole Merrifield (L.S.)  
Principal

WESTERN SURETY COMPANY  
By Stephen T. Tate (L.S.)  
Executive Vice President

Taken and approved this 26th day of Sept., 2002.

Patricia Yeager Frohmeister  
Judge of Probate

THE STATE OF ALABAMA, }  
Shelby County }

### OATH OF OFFICE

I, S. Nicole Merrifield do 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 12th  
day of July, 2002.  
Heborah L. Horton  
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES 3-28-2004 Notary Public

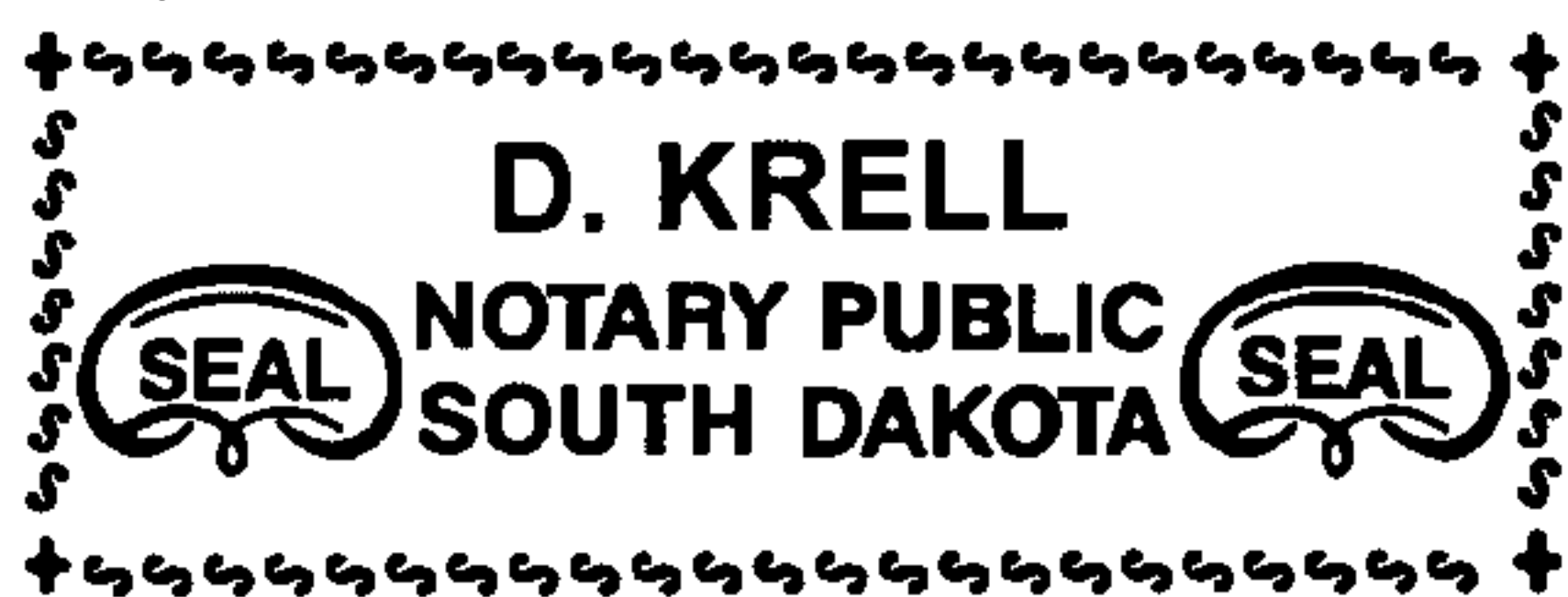
J. Nicole Merrifield  
Principal

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF SURETY  
(Corporate Officer)

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA }  
County of Minnehaha } ss

On this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, before me, a Notary Public in and  
for said County, personally appeared Stephen T. Pate personally known to me, who being by me duly sworn, did  
say that he is the aforesaid officer of WESTERN SURETY COMPANY, a corporation duly organized and existing under the  
laws of the State of South Dakota, and that the seal affixed to the foregoing instrument is the corporate seal of said  
corporation, that the said instrument was signed, sealed and executed on behalf of said corporation by authority of its  
Board of Directors, and further acknowledge that the said instrument and the execution thereof to be the voluntary act and  
deed of said corporation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my official seal, the day and year last above  
written.



My Commission Expires November 30, 2006

*D. Krell*  
Notary Public