

**American States Insurance**

A SAFECO Company

AMERICAN STATES INSURANCE COMPANY  
INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA 46204-1275

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Shelby Cnty Judge of Probate, AL  
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**PUBLIC OFFICIAL BOND**

Bond Number: EX 838204

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That we, Larry S. Dillard  
of Birmingham in the State of  
Alabama as Principal, and AMERICAN STATES INSURANCE COMPANY, a corporation duly  
organized and existing under and by virtue of the Laws of the State of Indiana, and authorized to become surety on  
bonds in the State of Alabama, as Surety, are held and firmly bound unto  
Shelby County

in the State of Alabama, in the full and just sum of Three Thousand and no/100  
(\$ 3,000.00) Dollars  
lawful money of the United States, for payment of which well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, our heirs,  
executors, administrators, successors and assigns, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.

SIGNED AND SEALED this 13th day of December A.D. 2004

WHEREAS, the said Larry S. Dillard  
has been duly elected or appointed to the office of County Commissioner for a term  
beginning on the 9th day of November, 2004, and  
ending on the 11th day of November, 2008.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CONDITION of THE ABOVE OBLIGATION IS SUCH, that if the above principal  
shall, during the aforesaid term, faithfully and truly perform all the duties of said office as required by law, then this  
obligation to be void, otherwise to be and remain in full force and virtue.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the said Principal has hereunto set his hand and the said AMERICAN STATES  
INSURANCE COMPANY has caused these presents to be signed by its Attorney-in-Fact, the day and year first above  
written.

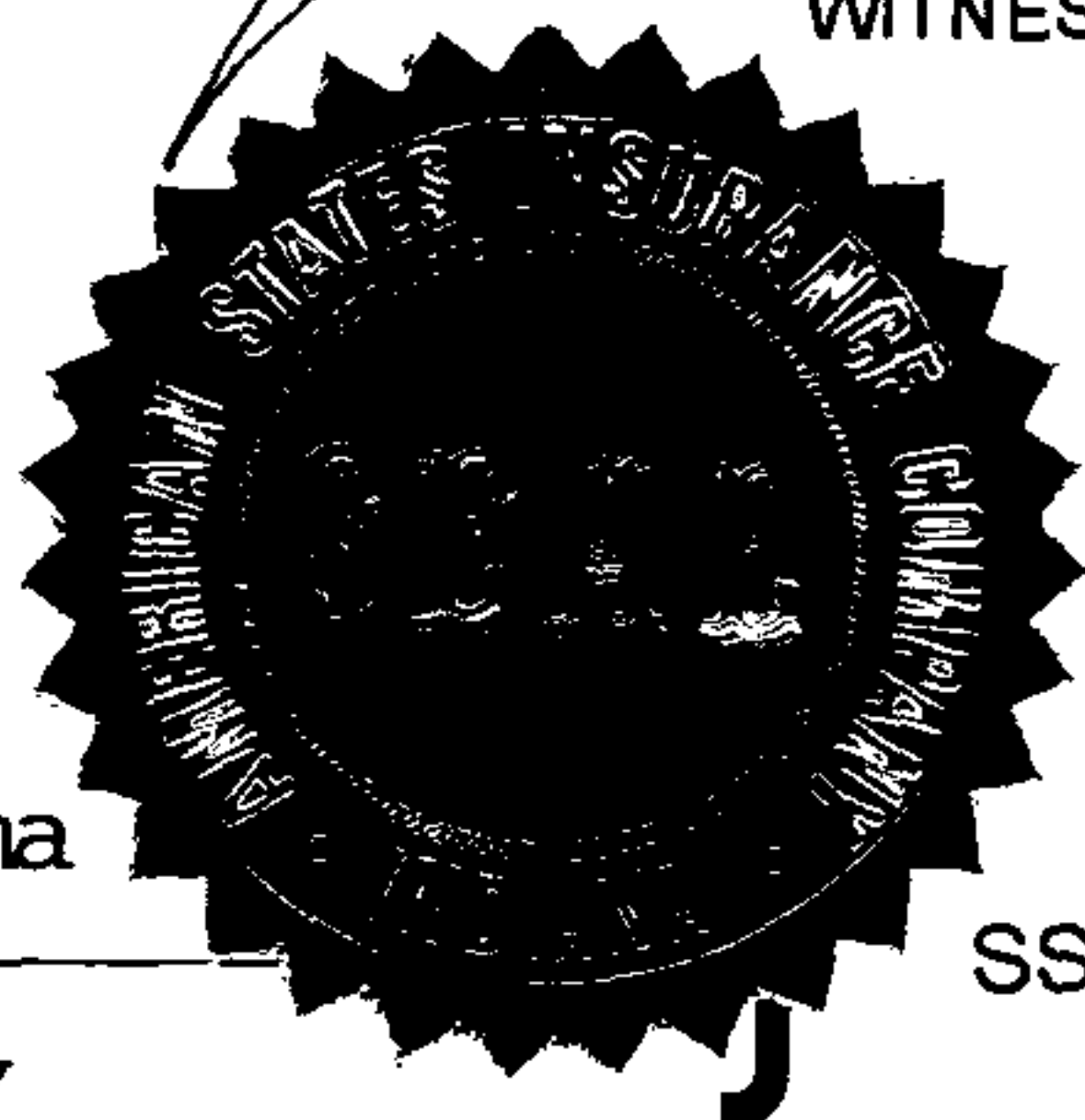
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WITNESS

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Larry S. Dillard PRINCIPAL

AMERICAN STATES INSURANCE COMPANY

[Signature]  
Rebecca Brasher ATTORNEY-IN-FACT

STATE OF Alabama SS.:  
COUNTY OF Shelby



12-16-04  
Approved  
[Signature]

Before me, this 13th day of December A.D. 2004  
personally appeared the said Rebecca Brasher, to me known  
and known to me to be the individual described in and who executed the foregoing bond, and he acknowledged to me  
that S he executed the same.

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[Signature]

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POWER  
OF ATTORNEY

AMERICAN STATES INSURANCE COMPANY  
INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA 46206

No. 5227

KNOW ALL BY THESE PRESENTS:

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That AMERICAN STATES INSURANCE COMPANY, a Indiana corporation, does hereby appoint

\*\*\*\*\*GEORGE T. BENTLEY; REBECCA BRASHER; PEGGY WOOD; 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 AMERICAN STATES INSURANCE COMPANY thereby as fully as if such instruments had been duly executed by its regularly elected officers at its home office, in amounts or penalties not exceeding the sum of:

Three Hundred Thousand and 00/100 -----

DOLLARS (\$ 300,000.00 )

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, AMERICAN STATES INSURANCE COMPANY has executed and attested these presents

this 5th day of January, 2001

*R.A. Pierson*

R.A. PIERSON, SECRETARY

*Boh A. Dickey*

BOH A. DICKEY, PRESIDENT

CERTIFICATE

Extract from the By-Laws of AMERICAN STATES INSURANCE COMPANY:

"Article 8, Section 8.1 1. - 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 corporation fidelity and surety bonds and other documents of similar character issued by the corporation 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 corporation, 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."

I, R. A. Pierson, Secretary of AMERICAN STATES INSURANCE COMPANY, do hereby certify that the foregoing extracts of the By-Laws of this corporation, and of a Power of Attorney issued pursuant thereto, are true and correct, and that both the By-Laws 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 13th day of December, 2004



*R.A. Pierson*

R.A. PIERSON, SECRETARY