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Western Surety Company

NOTARY PUBLIC BOND

THE STATE OF ALABAMA,

Clarke COUNTY

KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS:

Bond No. 72480584N

That we, Linda Wood Pearce
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
TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$ \$25,000.00),
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 27 day of FEB, 2023.

The condition of the above obligation, That whereas the above bound Principal was duly appointed to the office of
Notary Public on the 27 day of FEB, 2023; for the term of 04
years from the date of Notary Commission in 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.

Linda Wood Pearce (L.S.)
Principal

WESTERN SURETY COMPANY

By Anita K. Brennen (L.S.)
Appointed Agent of Surety Anita K. Brennen

By Paul T. Byngh (L.S.)
Vice President

Taken and approved this 27 day of FEB, 2023
Allen S. Bayl
Judge of Probate

THE STATE OF ALABAMA,
SHELBY COUNTY }

OATH OF OFFICE

I, Linda Wood Pearce 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 22nd
day of July, 2022.

Debbie Foster
Notary Public

Linda Wood Pearce
Principal

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF SURETY
(Corporate Officer)

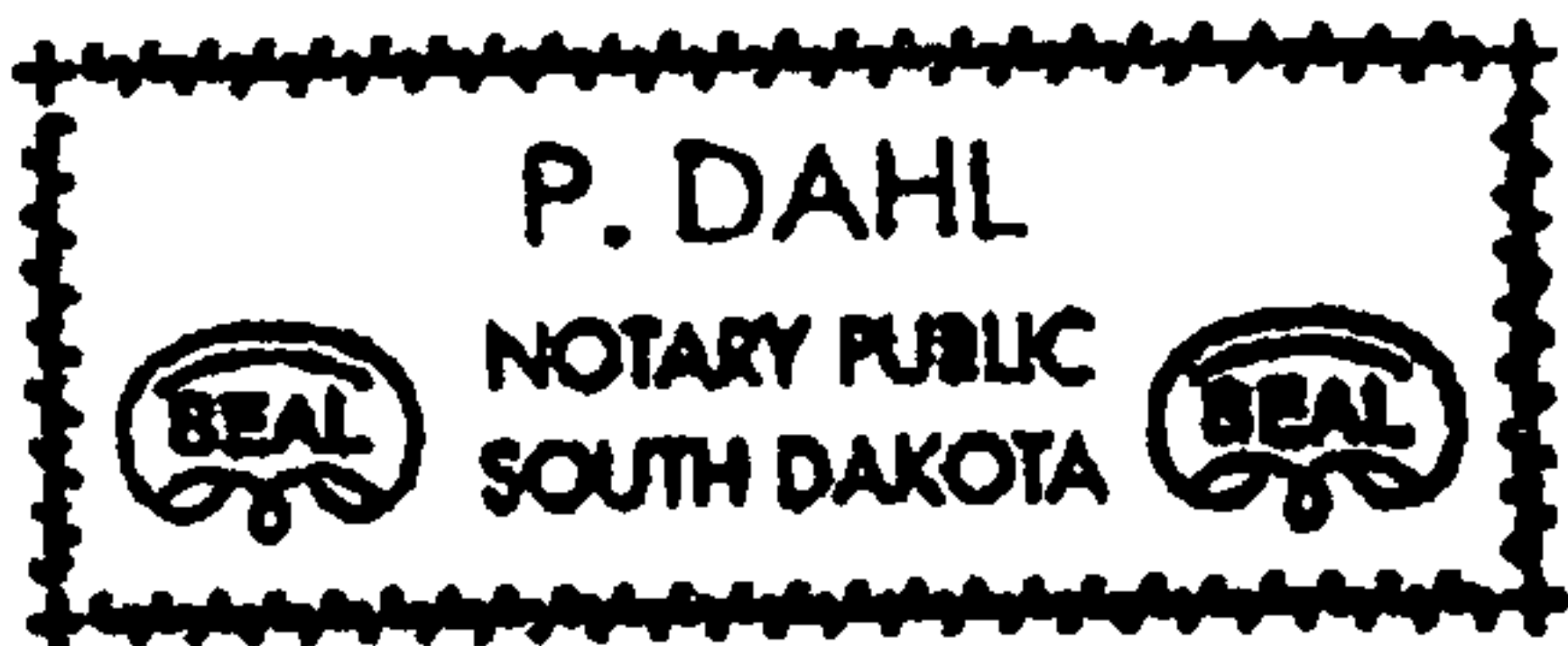
STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA }
COUNTY OF MINNEHAHA } ss



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On this _____ day of _____, _____, before me, a Notary Public in and
for said County, personally appeared Paul T. Bruflat 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.



P. Dahl
Notary Public

My Commission Expires June 18, 2025

Western Surety Company

POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

That WESTERN SURETY COMPANY, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of South Dakota, and authorized and licensed to do business in the States of Alabama, Alaska, Arizona, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Hawaii, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Vermont, Virginia, Washington, West Virginia, Wisconsin, Wyoming, and the United States of America, does hereby make, constitute and appoint

Paul T. Bruflat of Sioux Falls,
State of South Dakota, its regularly elected Vice President,
as Attorney-in-Fact, with full power and authority hereby conferred upon him to sign, execute, acknowledge and deliver for and on its behalf as Surety and as its act and deed, the following bond:

One NOTARY PUBLIC

bond with bond number 72480584N

for LINDA WOOD PEARCE

as Principal in the penalty amount not to exceed: \$25,000.00

Western Surety Company further certifies that the following is a true and exact copy of Section 7 of the by-laws of Western Surety Company duly adopted and now in force, to-wit:

Section 7. All bonds, policies, undertakings, Powers of Attorney, or other obligations of the corporation shall be executed in the corporate name of the Company by the President, Secretary, any Assistant Secretary, Treasurer, or any Vice President, or by such other officers as the Board of Directors may authorize. The President, any Vice President, Secretary, any Assistant Secretary, or the Treasurer may appoint Attorneys-in-Fact or agents who shall have authority to issue bonds, policies, or undertakings in the name of the Company. The corporate seal is not necessary for the validity of any bonds, policies, undertakings, Powers of Attorney or other obligations of the corporation. The signature of any such officer and the corporate seal may be printed by facsimile.

In Witness Whereof, the said WESTERN SURETY COMPANY has caused these presents to be executed by its Vice President Paul T. Bruflat with the corporate seal affixed this 18 day of July, 2022.

ATTEST

P. Leitheiser
P. Leitheiser, Assistant Secretary

WESTERN SURETY COMPANY
By Paul T. Bruflat
Paul T. Bruflat, Vice President

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA }
COUNTY OF MINNEHAHA } ss

On this 18 day of July, 2022, before me, a Notary Public, personally appeared Paul T. Bruflat and P. Leitheiser

who, being by me duly sworn, acknowledged that they signed the above Power of Attorney as Vice President and Assistant Secretary, respectively, of the said WESTERN SURETY COMPANY, and acknowledged said instrument to be the voluntary act and deed of said Corporation.

M. BENT
NOTARY PUBLIC
SOUTH DAKOTA

My Commission Expires March 2, 2026

To validate bond authenticity, go to www.cnasurety.com > Owner/Obligee Services > Validate Bond Coverage.



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RIDER

To be attached to and form part of Bond No. 72480584N

It is hereby mutually agreed and understood by and between Western Surety Company
and **Linda Wood Pearce**

that instead of as originally written; the bond is changed or revised in the particulars checked below:

- ☐ Principal Name changed to:
- ☐ Principal Address changed to:
- ☐ Vehicle/Vessel/Hull Information changed to:
- ☐ Lost Instrument Information changed to:
- ☐ Identification Number changed to:
- ☐ Penalty Amount changed to:
- ☐ Additional or Event Location:
- ☐ Effective Date changed to:
- ☐ Expiration Date changed to:
- ☒ The following bond information changed: County changed to: **At Large**

But in no event shall Western Surety Company's total liability for all locations exceed the aggregate amount set forth in the bond, regardless of the number of years this bond remains in force, the number of claims made, or the number of renewal premiums payable or paid.
It is further understood and agreed that all other terms and conditions of this bond shall remain unchanged.

This Rider becomes effective on the 1st day of August, 2022.

Signed this 1st day of August, 2022.

WESTERN SURETY COMPANY

By: Paul T. Bruflat
Paul T. Bruflat, Vice President





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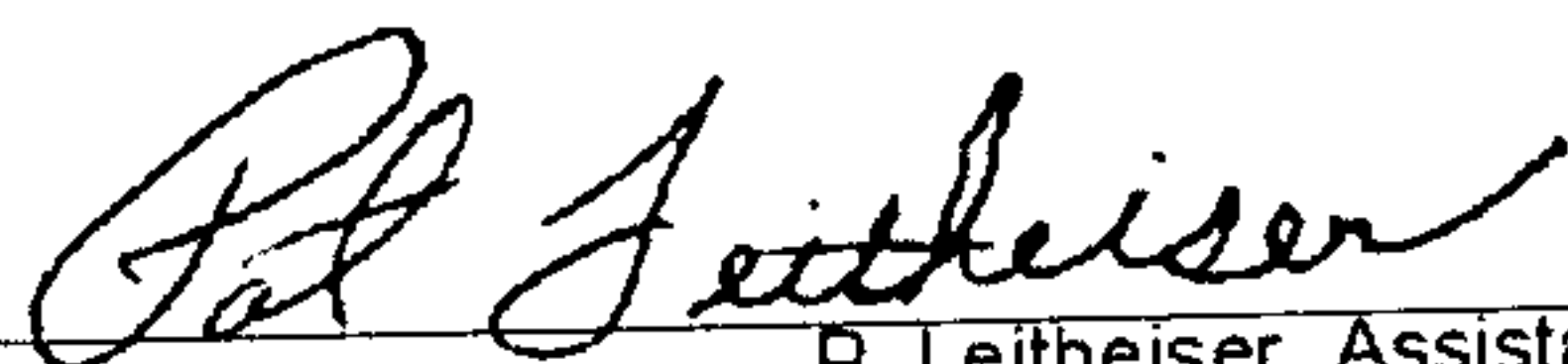
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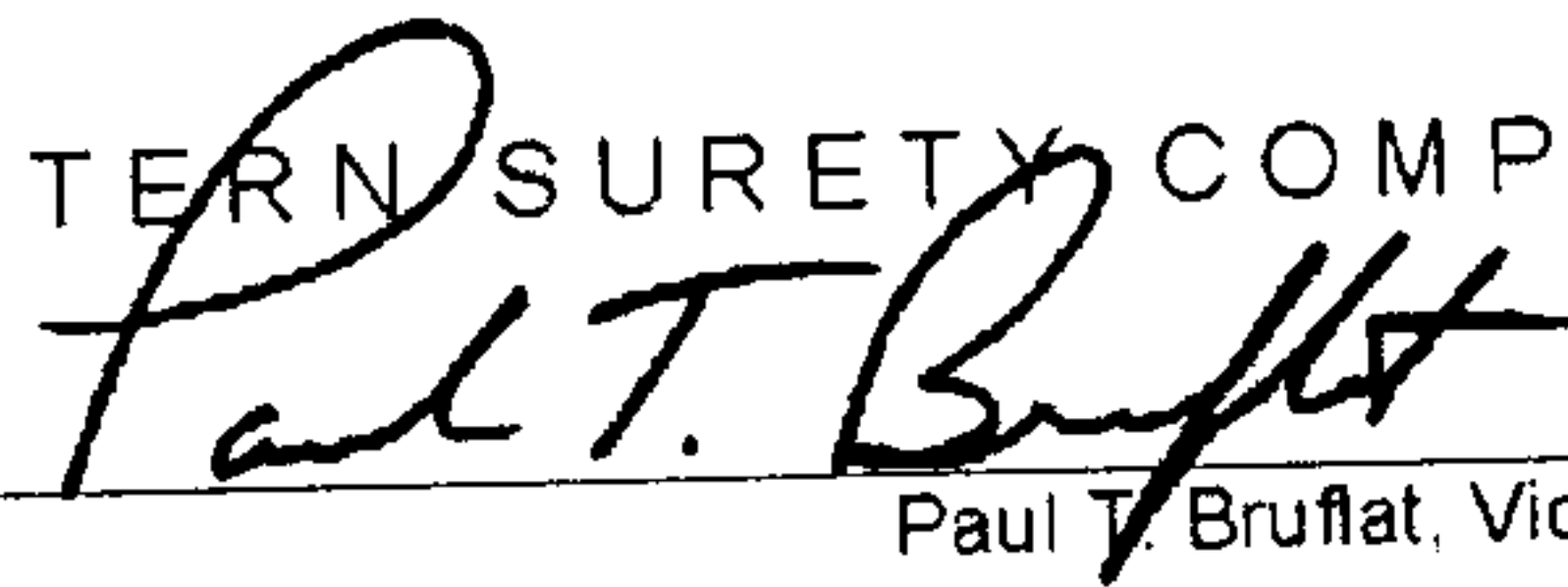
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P. Leitheiser, Assistant Secretary

WESTERN SURETY COMPANY

By



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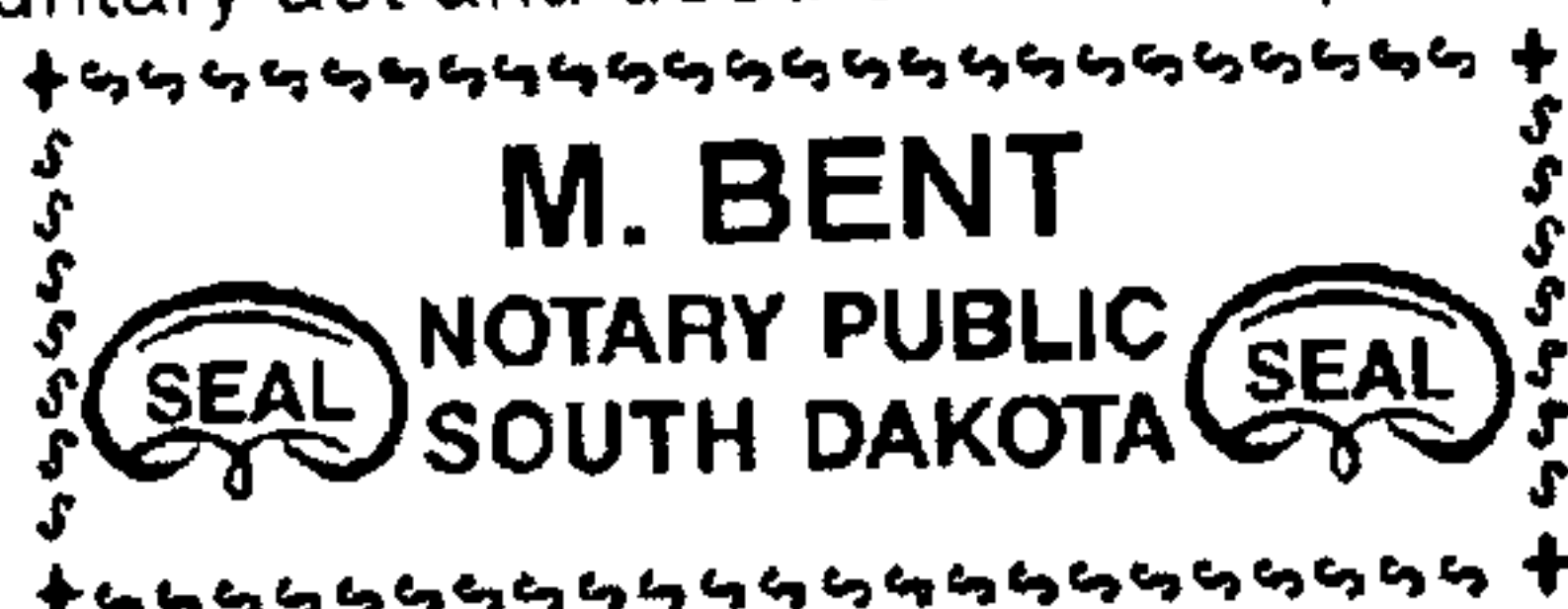
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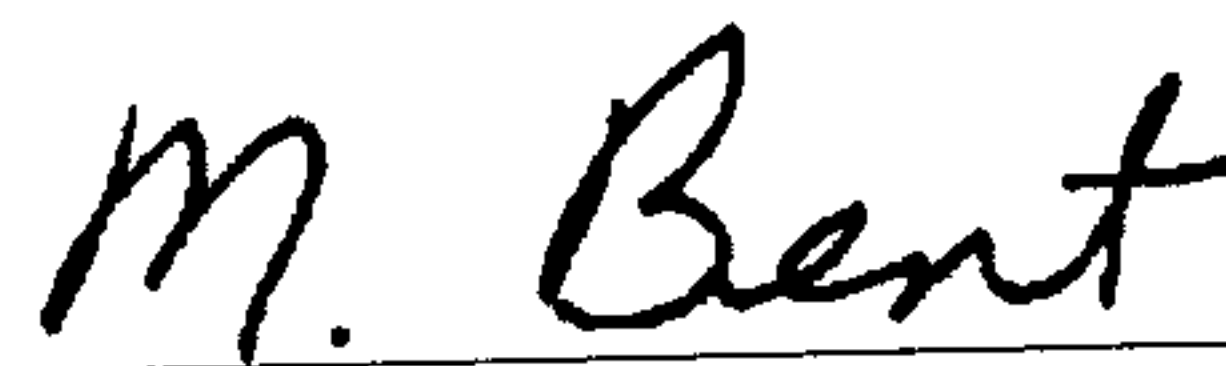
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