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BOND No. 107812424

BOND OF NOTARY PUBLIC ALABAMA

STATE OF ALABAMA
SHELBY COUNTY

exp 3-31-2027

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

THAT WE, Claire Smelser of 3041 Iris Drive, HOOVER, AL 35244
as Principal and, Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America, a CT corporation,
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.

THE CONDITION OF THE ABOVE OBLIGATION IS SUCH, That whereas the above bound Principal was duly appointed to
the office of Notary Public for the State at Large on the 31st day of March, 2023; for the term of four
years in the State of Alabama.

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

Sealed with our seals, and dated this 31st day of March, 2023.

Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America

Claire Smelser

BY:

CARSON B JAMES

Attorney in Fact

BY:

Principal

Approved and ordered of Record this 31st day of March, 2023.

Alex S. Bell

Judge of Probate Court

OATH OF OFFICE

STATE OF ALABAMA
SHELBY COUNTY

I, Claire Smelser do solemnly affirm/swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States
and the Constitution of the State of Alabama, so long as I remain a citizen thereof; and that I will honestly and faithfully
discharge the duties of the office upon which I am about to enter, to the best of my ability, so help me God.

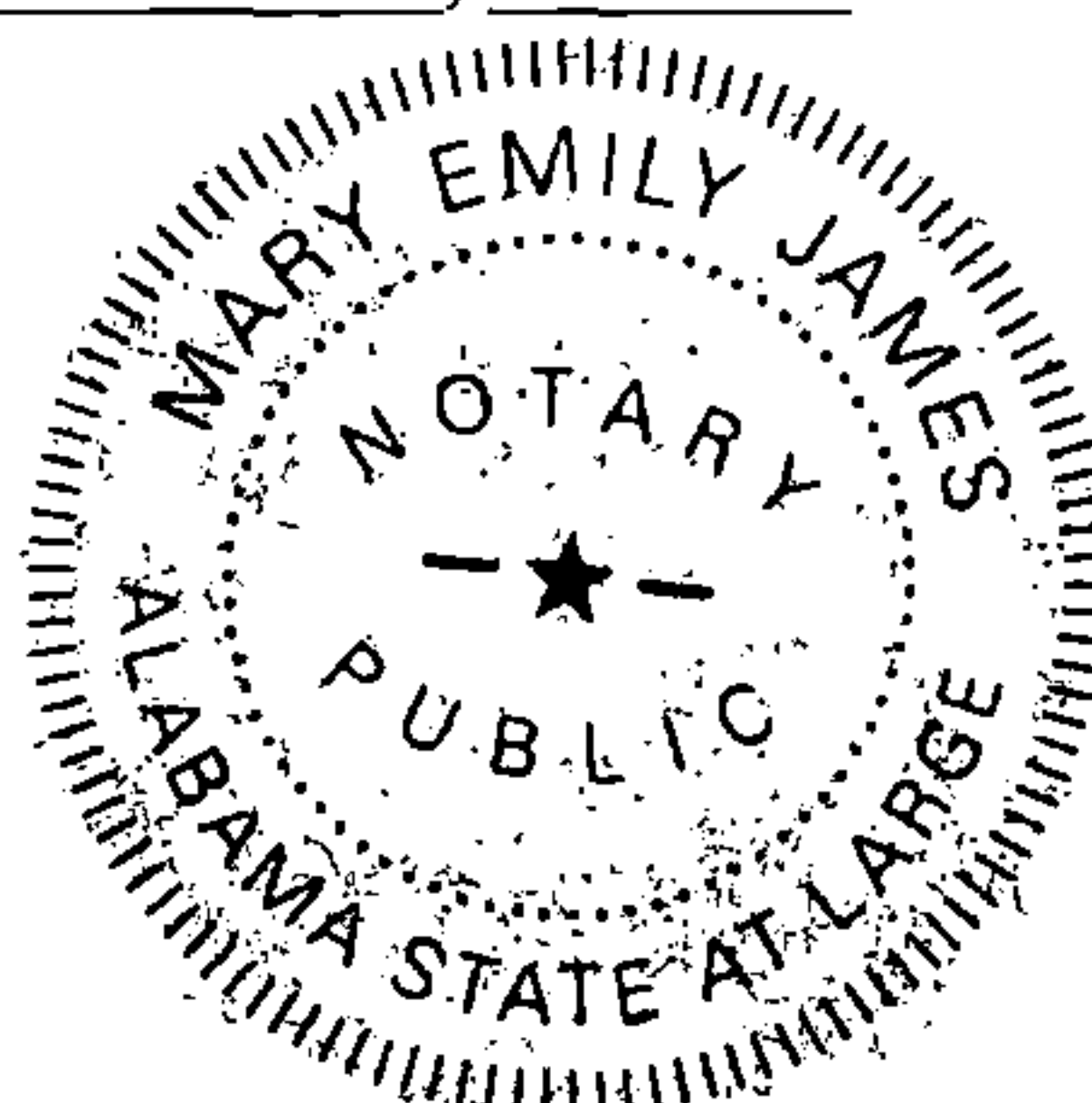
Claire Smelser

(Signature of Appointee)

Subscribed and sworn before me this 31st day of March, 2023.

Mary Emily James
Notary Public

My Commission expires 9-28-26





Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America
Travelers Casualty and Surety Company
St. Paul Fire and Marine Insurance Company
Farmington Casualty Company

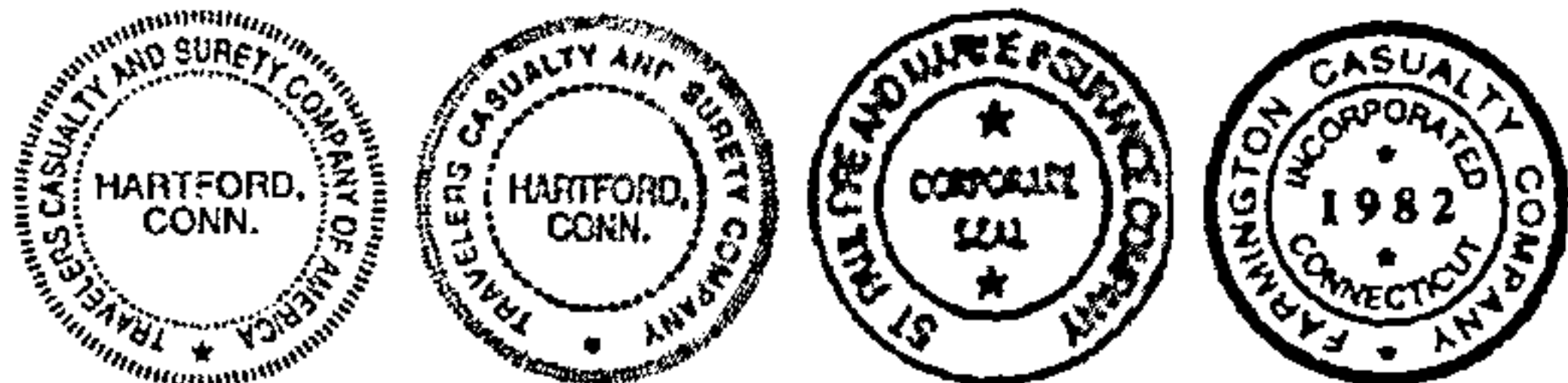
POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: That Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America, Travelers Casualty and Surety Company, St. Paul Fire and Marine Insurance Company, and Farmington Casualty Company are corporations duly organized under the laws of the State of Connecticut (herein collectively called the "Companies"), and that the Companies do hereby make, constitute and appoint **CARSON B JAMES**, of **TUSCALOOSA, AL**, their true and lawful Attorney(s)-in-Fact, to sign, execute, seal and acknowledge the following bond:

Surety Bond No.: 107812424

Principal: Claire Smelser

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Companies have caused this instrument to be signed and their corporate seals to be hereto affixed, this **21st** day of **April, 2021**.



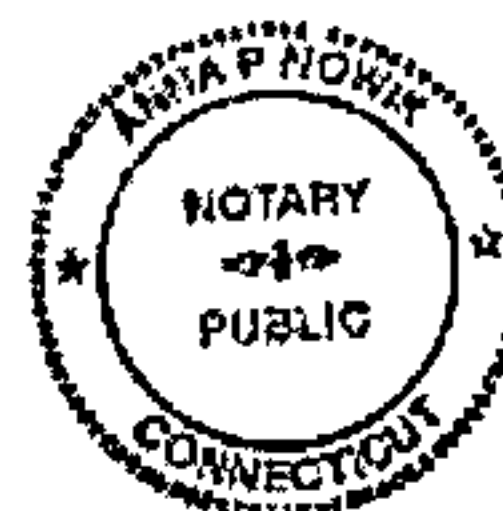
State of Connecticut

City of Hartford ss.

On this the **21st** day of **April, 2021**, before me personally appeared **Robert L. Raney**, who acknowledged himself to be the Senior Vice President of each of the Companies, and that he, as such, being authorized so to do, executed the foregoing instrument for the purposes therein contained by signing on behalf of said Companies by himself as a duly authorized officer.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and official seal.

My Commission expires the **30th** day of **June, 2026**



Robert L. Raney

By: Robert L. Raney, Senior Vice President

Anna P. Nowik

Anna P. Nowik, Notary Public

This Power of Attorney is granted under and by the authority of the following resolutions adopted by the Boards of Directors of each of the Companies, which resolutions are now in full force and effect, reading as follows:

RESOLVED, 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; and it is

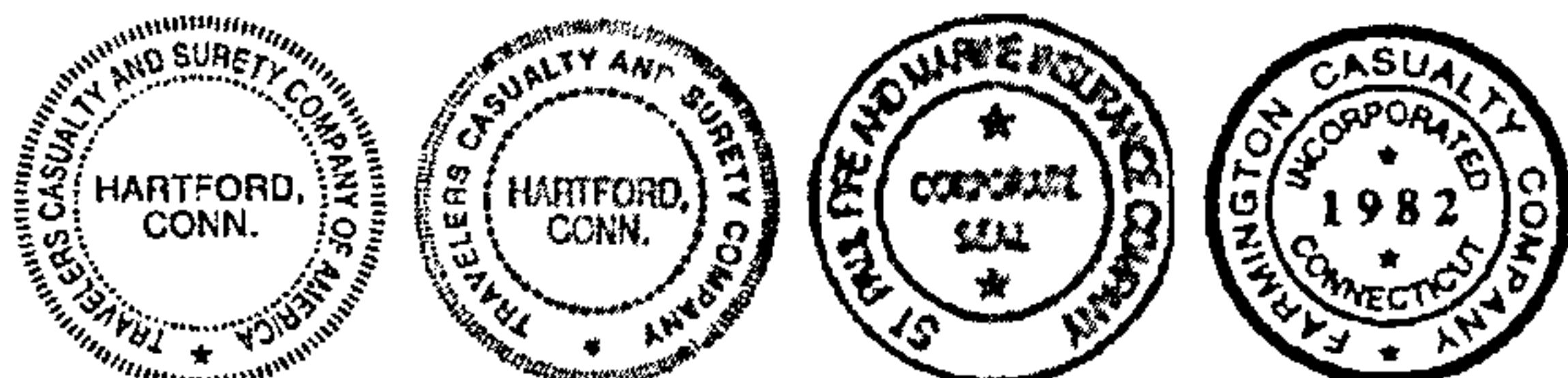
FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chairman, the President, any Vice Chairman, any Executive Vice President, any Senior Vice President or any Vice President may delegate all or any part of the foregoing authority to one or more officers or employees of this Company, provided that each such delegation is in writing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

FURTHER RESOLVED, 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; and it is

FURTHER RESOLVED, 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, any Assistant 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 on the Company in the future with respect to any bond or understanding to which it is attached.

I, **Kevin E. Hughes**, the undersigned, Assistant Secretary of each of the Companies, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Power of Attorney executed by said Companies, which remains in full force and effect.

Dated this 31 day of March, 2023.



Kevin E. Hughes

Kevin E. Hughes, Assistant Secretary

To verify the authenticity of this Power of Attorney, please call us at 1-800-421-3880.
Please refer to the above-named Attorney(s)-in-Fact and the details of the bond to which this Power of Attorney is attached.