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NOTARY PUBLIC BOND

Bond No. LSM1993054

STATE OF Alabama

COUNTY OF Shelby



20250523000159010 1/4 \$69.00
Shelby Cnty Judge of Probate, AL
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KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

That we, Michelle Faust Smith,
as Principal, and RLI Insurance 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
Fifty Thousand and 00/100 dollars (\$ 50,000.00),
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 16th day of April, 2025.

WHEREAS, the above-named Principal has been duly appointed Notary Public Alabama, (State at Large) on the 23rd day of
may, 2025; for the term of four years from date of notary commission.

NOW, THEREFORE, the condition of this bond is that if the named Principal shall faithfully discharge the duties of the office of Notary
Public during his/her continuance therein, then this obligation shall be null and void; otherwise, it shall remain in full force and effect.

exp: 4/16/29

Michelle Faust Smith (L.S.)
Principal

By Christine Shalene Cornelius Alabama Licensed Agent
P.O. Box 3967
Peoria, IL 61612-3967
Address



Eric Raudins (L.S.)
Sr. Vice President

Approved and filed this 23rd day of may, 2025

Aleen S. Beyle
Judge of Probate

By _____

THE STATE OF ALABAMA

COUNTY OF Shelby

OATH OF OFFICE

I, Michelle Faust Smith, 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 17th day of APRIL, 2025

Jarrod Brewer
Notary Public

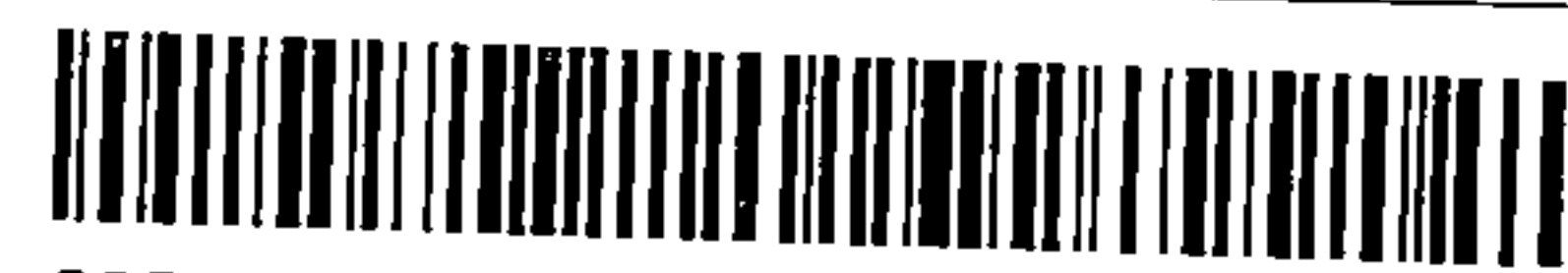
Michelle Faust Smith
Principal



POWER OF ATTORNEY

RLI Insurance Company

9025 N. Lindbergh Dr. Peoria, IL 61615
Phone: 800-645-2402



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Know All Men by These Presents:

That this Power of Attorney is not valid or in effect unless attached to the bond which it authorizes executed, but may be detached by the approving officer if desired.

That the RLI Insurance Company, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Illinois, and authorized and licensed to do business in all states and the District of Columbia does hereby make, constitute and appoint: Eric Raudins in the City of Broadview Heights, State of Ohio, as it's true and lawful Agent and Sr. Vice President, with full power and authority hereby conferred upon him/her to sign, execute, acknowledge and deliver for and on its behalf as Surety, for the following described bond.

Principal: Michelle Faust Smith

Obligee: Alabama Secretary of State

Type Bond: Notary

Bond Amount: \$ 50,000.00

Effective Date: April 16, 2025

The acknowledgement and execution of such bond by the said Attorney in Fact shall be as binding upon the Company as if such bond had been executed and acknowledged by the regularly elected officers of the Company.

The RLI Insurance Company further certifies that the following is a true and exact copy of a Resolution adopted by the Board of Directors of RLI Insurance Company, and now in force to-wit:

"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 RLI Insurance Company has caused these presents to be executed by its Sr. Vice President with its corporate seal affixed this 16th day of April, 2025.



RLI Insurance Company

By: Eric Raudins

Eric Raudins

Sr. Vice President

State of Ohio

County of Cuyahoga

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On this 16th day of April, 2025, before me, a Notary Public, personally appeared Eric Raudins, who being by me duly sworn, acknowledged that he signed the above Power of Attorney as the aforesaid officer of the RLI Insurance Company, and acknowledged said instrument to be the voluntary act and deed of said corporation.

By: Jill A. Scott

Jill A. Scott

Notary Public



JILL A SCOTT
Notary Public
State of Ohio
My Comm. Expires
September 22, 2025

CERTIFICATE

I, the undersigned officer of RLI Insurance Company do hereby certify that the attached Power of Attorney is in full force and effect and is irrevocable; and furthermore, that the Resolution of the Company as set forth in the Power of Attorney, is now in force. In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of the RLI Insurance Company this 16th day of April, 2025.

RLI Insurance Company

By: Jeffrey D. Dick

Jeffrey D. Dick

Corporate Secretary

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Allison S. Boyd
Judge of Probate

Kimberly A. Melton
Chief Clerk



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Probate Court of Shelby County, Alabama

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website: www.shelbyal.com/285/Probate-Court

Below you will find your Commission as a Notary Public. Please detach the commission card and keep it in a secure place. If your commission is being renewed this card will replace any previously issued commission card. Note that your commission card indicates the term of your current commission and it is important that you begin the renewal process in advance of the expiration of your commission to ensure there is no break in service.

The office of Notary Public is a serious and responsible public office and should not be taken lightly. Abuse of the office or irresponsibility in the performance of notarial duties can result in grave consequences. If a Notary Public has doubts about the propriety of any action, he or she should seek competent professional advice before he or she acts.

A Notary Public is a public officer whose function it is:

1. To administer oaths; and
2. To attend and certify, by his signature and official seal, certain classes of documents, in order to give them credit and authenticity; and
3. To take acknowledgments of deeds and other conveyances and certify the same; and
4. To perform certain official acts, chiefly in commercial matters, such as the protesting of notes and bills, the notice of foreign drafts, and marine protests in cases of damage.

You will need to obtain your notarial seal prior to performing any official acts. It is required that your notarial seal reflect your name as stated in the below commission card.

NOTARY PUBLIC COMMISSION

In the name of the State of Alabama and pursuant to the authority granted me as Judge of Probate for Shelby County, I hereby Commission Michelle Faust Smith as Notary Public for the State at Large for the term beginning on 5/23/2025 and ending on 04/16/2029



Allison S. Boyd

ALLISON S. BOYD
JUDGE OF PROBATE

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Notary Case # 2025-000412

State of Alabama	APPLICATION FOR NOTARY PUBLIC COMMISSION (MUST BE A RESIDENT OF COUNTY WHERE APPLICATION IS MADE)	In the Probate Court of <u>Shelby</u> County
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\$10.00* APPLICATION FEE IS DUE AT THE TIME APPLICATION IS SUBMITTED

Date: April 15, 2025

1. Name: Michelle Faust Smith
(Print your name as it appears on driver's license, non-driver ID, or other current valid photo ID)
2. Home Address: 141 Waterloo Bend Apt/Suite #: _____
3. City/State/Zip: Birmingham, Alabama 35242 County of Residence Shelby
4. Mailing Address (If Different): _____
5. Date Of Birth: 01/05/1969 Email Address bamagirl1020@gmail.com
6. Phone Numbers: Work 334-495-1501 Home 205-612-1020
7. Have you ever been convicted of a felony or crime of moral turpitude? ☐ YES ☒ NO (If YES, Please Provide Details On Page 2)
8. Are you currently a debtor in a bankruptcy proceeding? ☐ YES ☒ NO
9. Are you currently under an order adjudicating you incapacitated? ☐ YES ☒ NO
10. Are you currently or have you ever been a commissioned notary public in Alabama?
☒ YES (County Shelby Expiration Date: 05/06/2025) ☐ NO
11. Michelle Faust Smith
(Print Your Name Exactly As It Is To Appear On Notary Commission)

BY SIGNING BELOW I CERTIFY THAT ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN (PAGES ONE AND TWO) IS TRUE AND CORRECT AND THAT I AM ABLE AND WILLING TO COMPLETE THE MANDATORY TRAINING FOR NOTARY PUBLICS (UNLESS EXEMPT BY LAW) WITHIN 30 DAYS OF THE DATE OF THIS APPLICATION. I FURTHER ACKNOWLEDGE THAT I UNDERSTAND THAT THE \$10.00* APPLICATION FEE IS NON-REFUNDABLE AND TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE (I.E. TIME DEADLINES ARE STRICTLY ENFORCED.)

ALL STATEMENTS CONTAINED IN THIS APPLICATION ARE MADE UNDER THE FEAR OF THE PENALTY OF PERJURY. THE CRIME OF PERJURY IS PUNISHABLE BY FINE AND/OR IMPRISONMENT.

Signature: *Michelle Faust Smith*
 This should be your usual signature and match the name printed on Line 11.
THIS SHOULD BE THE SIGNATURE YOU USE WHEN NOTARIZING A DOCUMENT

* \$10.00 Application Fee PLUS any applicable county fees