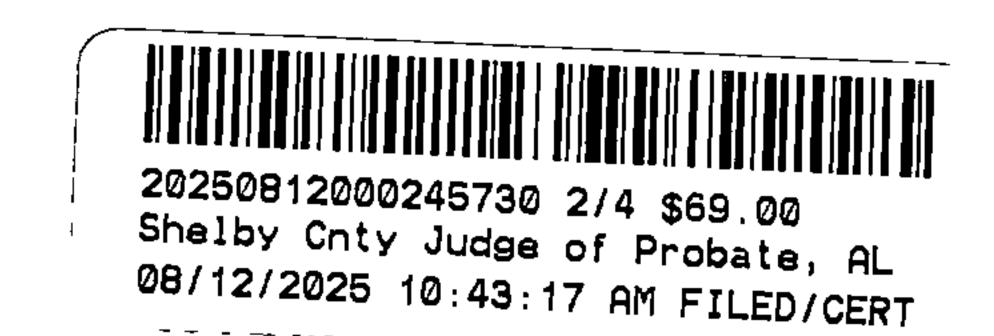


BOND No. 7901275044

# BOND OF NOTARY PUBLIC ALABAMA

| STATE OF ALAE   | BAMA   |  |                              |                               |                                       |                                    |
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| Shelby  | COUNTY   |  | QXD                          | 8-17-                         | -2029                                 |                                    |
| KNOW ALL MEN  | N BY THESE PRESENTS:   |  |                              |                               |                                       |                                    |
| as Surety, are held (\$50,000),                               | lationwide Mutual Insurant and firmly bound unto the State for the payment of which we assigns, firmly by these presents | ce Company<br>ate of Alabama in the<br>ll and truly to be ma | ne sum of Fiffedde and done, | y Thousand                    | selves, our heirs, e                  | corporation, Dollars xecutors,     |
| THE CONDITION the office of Notar years in the State of       | N OF THE ABOVE OBLIGA<br>y Public for the State at Large<br>of Alabama.  | TION IS SUCH, The on the 1240 day                            | nat whereas the of AUGI      | ne above bour                 | nd Principal was d<br>, 2025; for the | uly appointed to<br>e term of four |
|   | ID Principal shall faithfully do be void, otherwise to remain  |  |                              | luring his/her                | r continuance there                   | in, then the                       |
|   | Sealed with our seals, and   | dated this 11th  | day of Augu                  | st                            | , <u>2025</u>                         |                                    |
| BY: Aaron Steffe  | Attorney in ered of Record this 1211   | SEAL SeaL SeaL SeaL SeaL SeaL SeaL SeaL Sea                  | BY:                          |                               | M. Sim                                | Principal                          |
| OATH OF OFFIC   | EE   |  |                              |                               |                                       |                                    |
| STATE OF ALAE   | BAMA<br>COUNTY   |  |                              |                               |                                       |                                    |
| discharge the dutie<br>(Signature of App<br>Subscribed and sw | on of the State of Alabama, so es of the office upon which I   | am about to enter, to  | citizen thereo the best of n | f; and that I was ability, so | will honestly and fa                  |                                    |



KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS THAT:

Nationwide Mutual Insurance Company, an Ohio corporation

hereinafter referred to severally as the "Company" and collectively as "the Companies" does hereby make, constitute and appoint:

### AARON STEFFEY; CHRISTOPHER KOLGER; JOSEPH J PERSCHY; KENNETH P MOROTTO JR;

each in their individual capacity, its true and lawful attorney-in-fact, with full power and authority to sign, seal, and execute on its behalf any and all bonds and undertakings, and other obligatory instruments of similar nature, in penalties not exceeding the sum of

## FIVE MILLION AND NO/100 DOLLARS (\$5,000,000.00)

and to bind the Company thereby, as fully and to the same extent as if such instruments were signed by the duly authorized officers of the Company; and all acts of said Attorney pursuant to the authority given are hereby ratified and confirmed.

This power of attorney is made and executed pursuant to and by authority of the following resolution duly adopted by the board of directors of the Company:

"RESOLVED, that the president, or any vice president be, and each hereby is, authorized and empowered to appoint attorneys-in-fact of the Company. and to authorize them to execute and deliver on behalf of the Company any and all bonds, forms, applications, memorandums, undertakings, recognizances, transfers, contracts of indemnity, policies, contracts guaranteeing the fidelity of persons holding positions of public or private trust, and other writings obligatory in nature that the business of the Company may require; and to modify or revoke, with or without cause, any such appointment or authority; provided, however, that the authority granted hereby shall in no way limit the authority of other duly authorized agents to sign and countersign any of said documents on behalf of the Company."

"RESOLVED FURTHER, that such attorneys-in-fact shall have full power and authority to execute and deliver any and all such documents and to bind the Company subject to the terms and limitations of the power of attorney issued to them, and to affix the seal of the Company thereto; provided, however, that said seal shall not be necessary for the validity of any such documents."

This power of attorney is signed and sealed under and by the following bylaws duly adopted by the board of directors of the Company.

Execution of Instruments. Any vice president, any assistant secretary or any assistant treasurer shall have the power and authority to sign or attest all approved documents, instruments, contracts, or other papers in connection with the operation of the business of the company in addition to the chairman of the board, the chief executive officer, president, treasurer or secretary; provided, however, the signature of any of them may be printed, engraved, or stamped on any approved document, contract, instrument, or other papers of the Company.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Company has caused this instrument to be sealed and duly attested by the signature of its officer the 1st day of April. 2024.

Antonio C. Albanese, Vice President of Nationwide Mutual Insurance Company

# STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF KINGS: ss

On this 1st day of April. 2024, before me came the above-named officer for the Company

aforesaid, to me personally known to be the officer described in and who executed the preceding instrument, and he acknowledged the execution of the same, and being by me duly sworn, deposes and says, that he is the officer of the Company aforesaid, that the seal affixed hereto is the corporate seal of said Company, and the said corporate seal and his signature were duly affixed and subscribed to said instrument by the authority and direction of said Company.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

Sharon Laburda Notary Public, State of New York No. 01LA6427697 Qualified in Kings County Commission Expires January 3, 2026

Notary Public My Commission Expires January 3, 2026

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#### CERTIFICATE

I, Lezlie F. Chimienti, Assistant Secretary of the Company, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full. true and correct copy of the original power of attorney issued by the Company; that the resolution included therein is a true and correct transcript from the minutes of the meetings of the boards of directors and the same has not been revoked or amended in any manner; that said Antonio C. Albanese was on the date of the execution of the foregoing power of attorney the duly elected officer of the Company, and the corporate seal and his signature as officer were duly affixed and subscribed to the said instrument by the authority of said board of directors; and the foregoing power of attorney is still in full force and effect.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF. I have hereunto subscribed my name as Assistant Secretary, and affixed the corporate seal of said Company this 11th day of August, 2025.

**Assistant Secretary** 

BDJ 1(04-24)00

Allison S. Boyd Judge of Probate

Kimberly A. Melton Chief Clerk



Judicial Division - (205) 670-5210 Recording Division - (205) 670-5220

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# Probate Court of Shelby County, Alabama

Post Office Box 825 • Columbiana, Alabama 35051 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 Alesia M Sims as Notary Public for the State at Large for the term beginning on 8/12/2025 and ending on 8/12/2029.

Filed Date: 07/22/2025

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APPLICATION FOR NOTARY

In the Probate Court of

State of Alabama

PUBLIC COMMISSION (MUST BE A RESIDENT OF COUNTY WHERE APPLICATION IS MADE)

Shelby County

# \$10.00\* APPLICATION FEE IS DUE AT THE TIME APPLICATION IS SUBMITTED

|  | • -  | Date: 07-15-2025   |
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| 1. Name: <u>A</u>  | lesia M. Sims  |  |
| (Print you   | r name as it appears on driver's license, non-driver ID,   | , or other current valid photo ID)   |
| 2. Home Ado  | dress: 2120 Southbridge Ct.  | Apt/Suite #:   |
| 3. City/State  | <sub>z/Zip:</sub> Hoover, AL 35244   | County of Residence Shelby   |
| 4. Mailing A   | ddress (If Different):   |  |
| 5. Date Of B   | eirth: 04-18-1960 Email Address armsim   | s@gmail.com  |
| 5. Phone Nui   | mbers: Work 205-821-3233 Hon   | ne 205-821-3233  |
| 7. Have you  | ever been convicted of a felony or crime of moral turp<br>ovide Details On Page 2)   | oitude? YES NO (If YES,  |
| 3. Are you cu  | urrently a debtor in a bankruptcy proceeding? YI   | ES· NO·  |
| Are you cu   | urrently under an order adjudicating you incapacitated   | ?YESNO   |
| l0. Are you cı   | urrently or have you ever been a commissioned notary   | public in Alabama?   |
| Y  | ES (County Expiration Date:  | ) • NO   |
| Alesia M   |  |  |
| L <b></b> .  | ur Name Exactly As It Is To Appear On Notary Comm  | nission)   |
| BY SIC (PAGE) WILLING (UNLE APPLICAP | GNING BELOW I CERTIFY THAT ALL INFORMES ONE AND TWO) IS TRUE AND CORRECT AND TO COMPLETE THE MANDATORY TRAINESS EXEMPT BY LAW) WITHIN 30 DAYS CATION. I FURTHER ACKNOWLEDGE THAT \$10.00* APPLICATION FEE IS NON-REFUNITHE ESSENCE (I.E. TIME DEADLINES ARE TATEMENTS CONTAINED IN THIS APPLICATION OF THE PENALTY OF PERJURY. THE CRIME OF THE AND/OR IMPRISONMENT. | MATION CONTAINED HEREIN AND THAT I AM ABLE AND ING FOR NOTARY PUBLICS OF THE DATE OF THIS AT I UNDERSTAND THAT IDABLE AND TIME IS ESTRICTLY ENFORCED.) |
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