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STATEMENT OF OFFICER

Statement

I, Seth Slagle, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I have not directly or indirectly paid, offered, promised to pay, contributed, or promised to contribute any money or thing of value, or promised any public office or employment for the giving or withholding of a vote at the election at which I was elected or as a reward to secure my appointment or confirmation, whichever the case may be, so help me God.

Title of Position to Which Elected/Appointed: County Attorney

Execution

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have read the foregoing statement and that the facts stated therein are true.

Date: 1-1-25

[Signature]
Signature of Officer

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Sasha Kellon, County Clerk - Clay County, Texas





# Western Surety Company

Texas

## OFFICIAL BOND AND OATH

THE STATE OF TEXAS }  
County of Clay } ss

KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS:

BOND No. 62991781

That we, Seth Clayton Slaque, as Principal, and WESTERN SURETY COMPANY, a corporation duly licensed to do business in the State of Texas, as Surety, are held and bound unto Governor of Texas, his successors in office, in the sum of Two Thousand Five Hundred and 00/100 DOLLARS (\$2,500.00), for the payment of which we hereby bind ourselves and our heirs, executors and administrators, jointly and severally, by these presents.

Dated this 26th day of August, 2024

THE CONDITION OF THE ABOVE OBLIGATION IS SUCH, That whereas, the above bounden Principal was on the 5th day of November, 2024, duly Elected to the office of County Attorney in and for Clay County, State of Texas, for a term of four year 3 commencing on the 1st day of January, 2025

NOW THEREFORE, if the said Principal shall well and faithfully perform and discharge all the duties required of him by law as the aforesaid officer, and shall <sup>4</sup> faithfully pay over in the manner prescribed by law all money that he collects or receives for any county or the state.

then this obligation to be void, otherwise to remain in full force and effect.

~~PROVIDED HOWEVER~~, that regardless of the number of years this bond may remain in force and the number of clauses ~~which may be made~~ against this bond, the liability of the Surety shall not be cumulative and the aggregate liability of the Surety for any and all claims, suits, or actions under this bond shall not exceed the amount stated above. ~~Any revision of the bond amount shall not be cumulative.~~

~~PROVIDED FURTHER~~, that this bond may be cancelled by the Surety by sending written notice to the party to whom ~~this bond is payable~~ stating that, not less than thirty (30) days thereafter, the Surety's liability hereunder shall terminate as to subsequent acts of the Principal.



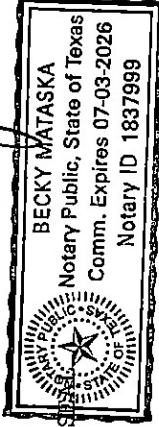
*Seth Clayton Slaque*  
Principal  
WESTERN SURETY COMPANY  
By *Larry Kasten*  
Larry Kasten, Vice President

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF PRINCIPAL

THE STATE OF TEXAS

County of Clay }  
Before me, Becky Mataska on this day, personally appeared  
Seth Clayton Slagle, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to  
the foregoing instrument and acknowledged to me that he executed the same for the purposes and consideration therein  
expressed.

Given under my hand and seal of office at Henrietta, Texas, this  
15 day of January, 2025.



Becky Mataska  
Clay County, Texas

OATH OF OFFICE  
(COUNTY COMMISSIONERS and COUNTY JUDGE)

I, \_\_\_\_\_, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will faithfully execute  
the duties of the office of \_\_\_\_\_, of the State of  
Texas, and will to the best of my ability preserve, protect, and defend the Constitution and laws of the United States  
and of this State; and I furthermore solemnly swear (or affirm) that I have not directly nor indirectly paid, offered, or  
promised to pay, contributed, nor promised to contribute any money, or valuable thing, or promised any public office or  
employment, as a reward for the giving or withholding a vote, at the election at which I was elected; and I furthermore  
solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will not be, directly or indirectly, interested in any contract with or claim against the  
County, except such contracts or claims as are expressly authorized by law and except such warrants as may issue to me  
as fees of office. So help me God.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_  
Sworn to and subscribed before me at \_\_\_\_\_, Texas, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_

SEAL \_\_\_\_\_ County, Texas

OATH OF OFFICE  
(General)

I, Seth C. Slagle, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will faithfully  
execute the duties of the office of County Attorney, of the State of Texas,  
and will to the best of my ability preserve, protect, and defend the Constitution and laws of the United States and of this  
State; and I furthermore solemnly swear (or affirm) that I have not directly nor indirectly paid, offered, or promised to  
pay, contributed, nor promised to contribute any money, or valuable thing, or promised any public office or employment,  
as a reward for the giving or withholding a vote at the election at which I was elected. So help me God.

Signed Seth C. Slagle  
Sworn to and subscribed before me at Henrietta, Texas, this 15 day of \_\_\_\_\_

SEAL Clay County, Texas



THE STATE OF TEXAS }  
County of CLAY } ss

The foregoing bond of Seth C. Skayle in and for Clay County and State of Texas, this day approved in open Commissioner's Court.

ATTEST:

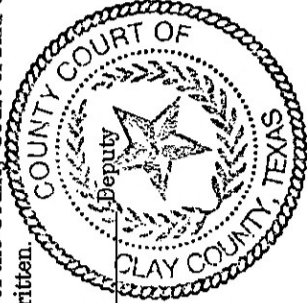
Sasha Keltner Clerk  
County Court Clay County Texas

Date Jan. 1, 2025  
[Signature] County Judge,  
County, Texas

THE STATE OF TEXAS }  
County of Clay } ss

I, Sasha Keltner, County Clerk, in and for said County, do hereby certify that the foregoing Bond dated the 1st day of January, 2025, with its certificates of authentication, was filed for record in my office the 3rd day of January, 2025, at 11:36 o'clock A.M., and duly recorded the 3rd day of January, 2025, at 11:36 o'clock A.M., in the Records of Official Bonds of said County in Volume 9, 2025, at 273.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of the County Court of said County, at office in Henrietta, Texas, the day and year last above written.



By [Signature] County Court Clay County Clerk

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF SURETY  
(Corporate Officer)

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA }  
County of Minnehaha } ss

Before me, a Notary Public, in and for said County and State on this 26th day of August,

2024, personally appeared Larry Kasten to me known to be the identical person who subscribed the name of WESTERN SURETY COMPANY, Surety, to the foregoing instrument as the aforesaid officer and acknowledged to me that he executed the same as his free and voluntary act and deed, and as the free and voluntary act and deed of such corporation for the uses and purposes therein set forth.



My Commission Expires August 11, 2028

[Signature]  
Notary Public

# 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

Larry Kasten 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 County Attorney  
bond with bond number 629991781  
for Seth Clayton Slagle  
as Principal in the penalty amount not to exceed: \$ 2,500.00

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, 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.

This Power of Attorney may be signed by digital signature and sealed by a digital or otherwise electronic-formatted corporate seal under and by the authority of the following Resolution adopted by the Board of Directors of the Company by unanimous written consent dated the 27th day of April, 2022:

"RESOLVED: That it is in the best interest of the Company to periodically ratify and confirm any corporate documents signed by digital signatures and to ratify and confirm the use of a digital or otherwise electronic-formatted corporate seal, each to be considered the act and deed of the Company."

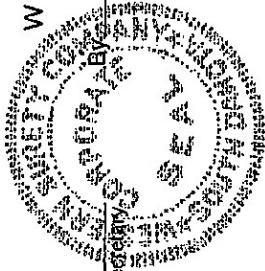
In Witness Whereof, the said WESTERN SURETY COMPANY has caused these presents to be executed by its Vice President Larry Kasten with the corporate seal affixed this 26th day of August 2024.

ATTEST

I. Bauder

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA }  
COUNTY OF MINNEHAHA } ss

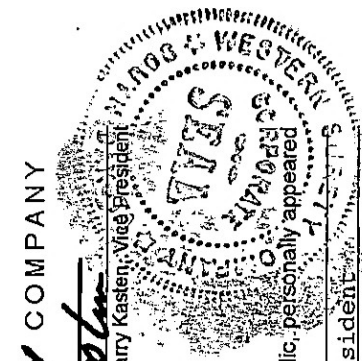
L. Bauder, Assistant Secretary



WESTERN SURETY COMPANY

Larry Kasten

Larry Kasten, Vice President



On this 26th day of August, 2024, before me, a Notary Public, personally appeared Larry Kasten and I. Bauder

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.

S. GREEN

NOTARY PUBLIC  
SOUTH DAKOTA



L. Bauder

Notary Public

My Commission Expires February 12, 2027

To validate bond authenticity, go to [www.enasurety.com](http://www.enasurety.com) > Owner/Obligee Services > Validate Bond Coverage.



Figure: 28 TAC § 1.601(a)(2)(B)

Have a complaint or need help?

if you have a problem with a claim or your premium, call your insurance company or HMO first. If you can't work out the issue, the Texas Department of Insurance may be able to help.

Even if you file a complaint with the Texas Department of Insurance, you should also file a complaint or appeal through your insurance company or HMO. If you don't, you may lose your right to appeal.

**Western Surety Company, Surety Bonding Company of America or Universal Surety of America**

To get information or file a complaint with your insurance company or HMO:

Call: Customer Service at **1-605-336-0850**

Toll-free: **1-800-331-6053**

Email: [uwservices@cnaSurety.com](mailto:uwservices@cnaSurety.com)

Mail: P.O. Box 5077, Sioux Falls, SD 57117-5077

The Texas Department of Insurance

To get help with an insurance question or file a complaint with the state:

Call with a question: 1-800-252-3439

File a complaint: [www.tdi.texas.gov](http://www.tdi.texas.gov)

Email: [ConsumerProtection@tdi.texas.gov](mailto:ConsumerProtection@tdi.texas.gov)

Mail: Consumer Protection, MC: CO-CP, Texas Department of Insurance, P.O. Box 12030, Austin, TX 78711-2030

Tiene una queja o necesita ayuda?

Si tiene un problema con una reclamación o con su prima de seguro, llame primero a su compañía de seguros o HMO. Si no puede resolver el problema, es posible que el Departamento de Seguros de Texas (Texas Department of Insurance, por su nombre en inglés) pueda ayudar.

Aun si usted presenta una queja ante el Departamento de Seguros de Texas, también debe presentar una queja a través del proceso de quejas o de apelaciones de su compañía de seguros o HMO. Si no lo hace, podría perder su derecho para apelar.

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Para obtener información o para presentar una queja ante su compañía de seguros o HMO:

Lláme a: Servicio al Cliente al **1-605-336-0850**

Teléfono gratuito: **1-800-331-6053**

Correo electrónico: [uwservices@cnaSurety.com](mailto:uwservices@cnaSurety.com)

Dirección postal: P.O. Box 5077, Sioux Falls, SD 57117-5077

El Departamento de Seguros de Texas

Para obtener ayuda con una pregunta relacionada con los seguros o para presentar una queja ante el estado:

Lláme con sus preguntas al: 1-800-252-3439

Presente una queja en: [www.tdi.texas.gov](http://www.tdi.texas.gov)

Correo electrónico: [ConsumerProtection@tdi.texas.gov](mailto:ConsumerProtection@tdi.texas.gov)

Dirección postal: Consumer Protection, MC: CO-CP, Texas Department of Insurance, P.O. Box 12030, Austin, TX 78711-2030

**FILED AND RECORDED**

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I hereby certify that this instrument was FILED on the date and time stamped heron and RECORDED in the OFFICIAL PUBLIC RECORDS of Clay County, Texas.



*Sasha Kelton*

Sasha Kelton, County Clerk  
Clay County, Texas

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