

THE STATE OF TEXAS

STATEMENT OF ELECTED/APPOINTED OFFICER

(PURSUANT TO TEX. CONST. ART. XVI, §1(B), AMENDED 2001)

I, JOEL KELTON, 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.

UNDER PENALTIES OF PERJURY, I DECLARE THAT I HAVE READ THE FOREGOING STATEMENT AND THAT THE FACTS STATED THEREIN ARE TRUE.

January 2, 2015
Date


JOEL KELTON

County Commissioner, Pct. #2
Position to Which Elected/Appointed

Brownwood, Brown County, Texas
City and/or County

Form No. 2201

January 2, 2015
(Exhibit #7)

Texas



Western Surety Company

OFFICIAL BOND AND OATH

THE STATE OF TEXAS }
County of Brown } ss

KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS: BOND No. 14926346

That we, Joel Kelton, 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 Brown County Treasurer, his successors in office,

in the sum of Three Thousand and 00/100 DOLLARS (\$3,000.00), for the payment of which we hereby bind ourselves and our heirs, executors and administrators, jointly and severally, by these presents.

Dated this 18th day of September, 2014

THE CONDITION OF THE ABOVE OBLIGATION IS SUCH, That whereas, the above bounden Principal was on the _____ day of _____, _____, duly elected to the office of County Commissioner in and for Brown County, State of Texas, for a term of four years commencing on the 1st day of January, 2015

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 ⁴

faithfully perform the commissioner's official duties and reimburse the county for all county funds illegally paid to him and will not vote or consent to make a payment of county funds except for a lawful purpose.

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 claims 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.

Joel Kelton
Principal
WESTERN SURETY COMPANY
By Paul T. Bruflat
Paul T. Bruflat, Senior Vice President

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF PRINCIPAL

THE STATE OF TEXAS }
County of Brown } ss

Before me, Sharon Ferguson on this day, personally appeared Joel Kelton, 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 Brownwood, Brown County, Texas, this 12 day of January, 2015.

Sharon Ferguson
Brown County, Texas
Brown County Clerk

OATH OF OFFICE
(COUNTY COMMISSIONERS and COUNTY JUDGE)

I, Joel Kelton, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will faithfully execute the duties of the office of County Commissioner Precinct # 2, 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 [Signature]

Sworn to and subscribed before me at Brownwood, Texas, this 2 day of January, 2015.

Sharon Ferguson
Brown County, Texas



OATH OF OFFICE
(General)

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. So help me God.

Signed _____

Sworn to and subscribed before me at _____, Texas, this _____ day of _____.

SEAL _____ County, Texas

THE STATE OF TEXAS }
County of Brown }^{ss}

The foregoing bond of Joel Kelton as County Commissioner # 2 in and for Brown County and State of Texas, this day approved in open Commissioner's Court.

ATTEST
Sharon Ferguson Clerk
County Court Brown County

Date January 2, 2015
[Signature] County Judge,
Brown County, Texas

THE STATE OF TEXAS }
County of Brown }^{ss}

I, Sharon Ferguson, County Clerk, in and for said County, do hereby certify that the foregoing Bond dated the 2 day of January, 2015, with its certificates of authentication, was filed for record in my office the 2 day of January, 2015, at 11:00 o'clock A. M., and duly recorded the 12 day of January, 2015, at 10:40 o'clock A. M., in the Records of Official Bonds of said County in Volume 149, on page 740.

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

By Yolanda Bernal Deputy County Court Brown County
Sharon Ferguson Clerk
County Court Brown County

OFFICIAL BOND REQUIREMENTS

OFFICIAL	2. AMOUNT	1. TO WHOM PAYABLE	APPROVED BY	Sec. of Statutes	4. CONDITIONS
District Attorney	\$5,000.	Governor	District Judge	Gov't Code 43.002	"in the manner prescribed by law, faithfully pay over all money that he collects or that comes into his hands for the state or a county."
County Attorney	\$2,500.	Governor	Commissioners Court	Gov't Code 45.001	"faithfully pay over in the manner prescribed by law all money that he collects or receives for any county or the state."
County Judge	\$1,000-10,000.	County Treasurer	Commissioners Court	Gov't Code 26.001	"pay all money that comes into his hands as county judge to the person or officer entitled to it, pay to the county all money illegally paid to him out of county funds, and not vote or consent to pay out county funds for other than lawful purposes."
County Clerk	At least 20% of the maximum amount of fees collected in any year during the term of office preceding the term for which the bond is given -- \$5,000 minimum, \$500,000 maximum	County	Commissioners Court	Local Gov't Code 82.001	"faithfully perform the duties of office."
Deputy County Clerk	At least 20% of the maximum amount of fees collected in any year during the term of office preceding the term for which the bond is given -- \$5,000 minimum, \$500,000 maximum	County for the use and benefit of the County Clerk	Commissioners Court	Local Gov't Code 82.002	"faithfully perform the duties of office."
County Auditor	\$5,000 minimum	District Judge(s)	District Judge(s)	Local Gov't Code 84.007	"faithfully perform the duties of county auditor."
County Treasurer	Established by the commissioners court not to exceed one-half of one percent of the largest amount budgeted for general county maintenance and operations for any fiscal year of the county beginning during the term of office preceding the term for which the bond is to be given -- \$5,000 minimum, \$500,000 maximum	County Judge	Commissioners Court	Local Gov't Code 83.002	"faithfully execute the duties of office."
District Clerk	Not less than 20% of the maximum amount of fees collected in any year during the term of office immediately preceding the term for which the bond is given -- \$5,000 minimum, \$100,000 maximum	Governor	Commissioners Court	Gov't Code 51.302	"faithfully perform the duties of the office."
Deputy District Clerk	Not less than 20% of the maximum amount of fees collected in any year during the term of office immediately preceding the term for which the bond is given -- \$5,000 minimum, \$100,000 maximum	Governor for the use and benefit of the District Clerk	Commissioners Court	Gov't Code 51.309	"faithfully perform the duties of the office."
County School Superintendent	\$1,000.	County governing board unless a county-wide independent school district has been created, in which event the bond is payable to and approved by the County Commissioners Court		Educ. Code 17.49	"faithfully perform his duties."
County Surveyor	Fixed by the Commissioners Court -- \$500 minimum, \$10,000 maximum	Not Specified		Nat. Res. Code 23.013	"faithfully perform the duties of the office."
Deputy County Surveyor	Not less than \$500 nor more than \$10,000 (Fixed by the County Surveyor)	County Surveyor		Nat. Res. Code 23.014	"faithfully perform the duties of the office."
Sheriff	Set by the Commissioners Court \$5,000 minimum, \$30,000 maximum	Governor	Commissioners Court	Local Gov't Code 85.001	"faithfully perform the duties of office established by law; account for and pay to the person authorized by law to receive them the fines, forfeitures, and penalties the sheriff collects for the use of the state or a county; execute and return when due the process and precepts lawfully directed to the sheriff, and pay to the person to whom they are due or to the person's attorney the funds collected by virtue of the process or precept; and pay to the county any funds illegally paid, voluntarily or otherwise, to the sheriff from county funds."
County Assessor-Collector (State Bond)	Equal to 5% of the net state collections from motor vehicle sales and use taxes and motor vehicle registration fees in the county during the year ending August 31 preceding the date the bond is given -- \$2,500 minimum, \$100,000 maximum	The Governor and the Governor's successors in office	Commissioners Court and the State Comptroller of Public Accounts	Tax Code 6.28	"faithful performance of the person's duties as assessor-collector."
County Assessor-Collector (County Bond)	Equal to 10% of the total amount of county taxes imposed in the preceding tax year, \$100,000 maximum	Commissioners Court	Commissioners Court	Tax Code 6.28	"faithful performance of the person's duties as assessor-collector."
County Commissioner	\$3,000.	County Treasurer	County Judge	Local Gov't Code 81.002	"faithfully perform the commissioner's official duties and reimburse the county for all county funds illegally paid to him and will not vote or consent to make a payment of county funds except for a lawful purpose."
Justice of the Peace	\$5,000 maximum	County Judge	Not Specified	Gov't Code 27.001	"faithfully and impartially discharge the duties required by law and promptly pay to the entitled party all money that comes into his hands during the term of office."
Constable	Set by the Commissioners Court \$500 minimum -- \$1,500 maximum	The Governor and the Governor's successors in office	Commissioners Court	Local Gov't Code 86.002	"faithfully perform the duties imposed by law."
County Public Weigher and Deputies	\$2,500	County Judge	Department of Agriculture	Agric. Code 13.256	"accurately weigh or measure commodities reflected on certificates issued by him, protect the commodities that he is registered to weigh or measure, and comply with all laws and rules governing public weighers."
State Public Weigher	\$10,000	State of Texas	Department of Agriculture	Agric. Code 13.256	"accurately weigh or measure commodities reflected on certificates issued by him, protect the commodities that he is registered to weigh or measure, and comply with all laws and rules governing public weighers."

3. If precinct insert the number.
4. Conditions.

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 18th day of


September, 2014, personally appeared Paul T. Bruflat

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.



S. EICH
Notary Public

My Commission Expires February 12, 2015

 Western Surety Company	OFFICIAL BOND AND OATH		Principal	Official Title	Filed the _____ day of _____	at _____ o'clock _____ M.	Clerk	County Court _____ County, Texas
	On Behalf of		_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____




OATH OF OFFICE

In the name and by the authority of

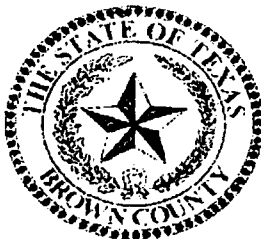
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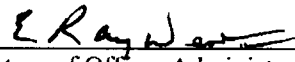
I, Joel Kelton, do solemnly swear (or affirm), that I will faithfully execute the duties of the office of Brown County Commissioner, Precinct #2 of the State of Texas, and will to the best of my ability preserve, protect, and defend the Constitution and laws of the United States and of this State, so help me God.



Signature of Officer

SWORN TO and subscribed before me by affiant on this 2 day of January, 2015.





Signature of Officer Administering Oath

E. Ray West

Printed Name

County Judge

Title

INSTRUMENT NO. 123

NC

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF BROWN

FILED JANUARY 12, 2015 10:40 AM

I hereby certify that this instrument was FILED in File Number Sequence on the date and at the time stamped hereon by me, and was duly RECORDED in the Official Public Records of Brown County, Texas.

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SHARON FERGUSON, COUNTY CLERK
BROWN COUNTY, TEXAS