Board of County Commissioners Agenda Request

Date of Meeting: January 16, 2024

Date Submitted: January 8, 2024

To: Honorable Chairman and Members of the Board

From: Edward J. Dixon, County Administrator

Subject: Public Officials Bond Review

Statement of Issue:

This agenda item seeks the Board's review of the sufficiency of Bonds of County Officers.

Background:

On March 17, 2009, the Board approved Ordinance No. 2009-005, which created provisions for County Officers Bond requirements. Ordinance No. 2009-005 was amended by Ordinance No. 2011-001. In the ordinance, the Board determined the appropriate bond requirement amount for each elected official.

Analysis:

As codified in Section 2-92 of Ordinance No. 2011-001 the following bond amounts were established for the various County Officers: Clerk of the Courts - \$100,000.00, Sheriff \$100,000.00, and \$1,000.00 for each appointed Deputy Sheriff, Supervisor of Elections and the Property Appraiser - \$5,000.00 each, Tax Collector - \$100,000.00, and County Commissioners - \$2,000.00 each.

Section 2.92 (7) requires the Board of County Commissioners to examine carefully the sufficiency of all bonds required of county officers at its first regular meeting in January and June of each year. The staff has verified that the current bond amounts are sufficient and up to date.

Fiscal Impact:

There is no additional fiscal impact at this time.

Options:

- 1. Make a determination that the current bonds on the County Officers are sufficient.
- 2. Board direction.

County Administrator's Recommendation:

Option 1.

Attachment(s):

- 1. Section 2.91- Procedures for County Office Bonds.
- 2. Copy of Bonds.

Sec. 2-91. - Procedure for county officer bonds.

- (a) Short title. This section shall be known as the "County Officer Bond Ordinance."
- (b) Approval of form and surety of bonds of county officers; delegation of authority. Pursuant to F.S. § 137.01, the board of county commissioners hereby requires the county officers described in section 2-92 to give bond, conditioned for the faithful performance of the duties of his or her office in the amounts set forth in section 2-92. Approval of the form and surety of any such bonds is hereby delegated by the board of county commissioners to the county administrator or designee, with the concurrence of the county attorney in such approval.
- (c) Filing of bonds of county officers. All bonds of county officers required by this section must be filed with the clerk of the circuit court promptly upon execution and must be secured within ten days of the county officer taking office.

(Ord. No. 09-05, § 1, 3-17-2009)

Sec. 2-92. - County officer bonds.

Upon adoption of this section, the initial bonds will be established as follows:

- (1) Bond of clerk of the circuit court. The county clerk of the circuit court shall be required to give a bond in the sum of \$100,000.00 conditioned upon the faithful discharge of the duties of office.
- (2) Bond of sheriff and deputy sheriff. The county sheriff shall be required to give a bond in the sum of \$100,000.00 conditioned for the faithful performance of the duties of office. Each appointed deputy sheriff shall be required to give a bond in the sum of \$1,000.00 conditioned for the faithful performance of the duties of office.
- (3) Bond of supervisor of elections. The county supervisor of elections shall be required to give a bond in the sum of \$5,000.00 conditioned for the faithful performance of the duties of office.
- (4) Bond of tax collector. The county tax collector shall be required to give a bond in the sum of \$100,000.00 conditioned for the faithful performance of the duties of office, and specifically conditioned for the tax collector's accounting duly and faithfully for all taxes collected.
- (5) Bond of property appraiser. The county property appraiser shall be required to give a bond in the sum of \$5,000.00 conditioned for the faithful performance of the duties of office.
- (6) Bond of county commissioners. Each county commissioner must give a bond in the sum of \$2,000.00 conditioned for the faithful performance of the duties of office.
- (7) Examination of sufficiency of bonds of county officers. At its first regular meeting in January and June of each year, the board of county commissioners shall examine carefully the sufficiency of all bonds required of county officers. If the board of county commissioners has reason to believe that the sufficiency of any such bond has become impaired, the board of county commissioners must at once require that the county officer execute and file with the clerk of the circuit court a new bond for the same amount and under the same conditions as the former bond.
- (8) Applicability. This section is applicable countywide. This section shall not affect any currently existing bonds of county officers.

(Ord. No. 09-05, § 1, 3-17-2009; Ord. No. 11-001, § 1, 2-1-2011)



01/10/2023 ANGIE PITTS ACENTRIA INSURANCE PO BOX 1919 QUINCY, FL 32353-1919

This is the Renewal for

GADSDEN COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS PO BOX 1649

QUINCY, FL 32353

Bond Number: 105277285

Type of Bond: Public Official Bond

Obligee Name: GADSDEN COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Obligee Address: PO BOX 1648

Obligee City, State & Zip: QUINCY,FL,32353,GADSDEN

Transaction Effective Date: April 27, 2023
Premium Effective Date: April 27, 2023
Premium Expiry Date: April 27, 2024
Bond Limit: \$310,000.00

Bond Limit: \$310,000.00 Bond Premium: \$1,325.00

State Tax: \$0.00 State Surcharge: \$0.00 TOTAL PREMIUM: \$1,325.00

Producer Name: ANGIE PITTS



Danise Kunze PO Box 2950 Hartford, CT 06104-2950

License No: N/A

RIDER

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PROVIDED, however, that the liability of the Surety under cumulative.	r the attached bond as changed by this Rider shall not be
Signed, sealed and dated January 10, 2023.	
	Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America
	By: Danise Kunze Attorney-in-Fact
Accepted: GADSDEN COUNTY BOARD OF CO Obligee	or GADSDEN COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISS Principal
Ву:	Ву:



Danise Kunze PO Box 2950 Hartford, CT 06104-2950

License No: N/A

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December 10, 2020

Angie Pitts ACENTRIA INSURANCE (043625) PO BOX 1919 QUINCY, FL 32353-1919

This is an Agency Billed Policy.

This is the Renewal for:

ERIC HINSON

P.O. BOX 925

HAVANA, FL 32333

Bond Number: 106653911

Type of Bond: Public Official Bond - Definite Term

Obligee Name: THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA

Obligee Address: DIVISION OF ELECTIONS, ROOM 316, R.A. GRAY BUILDING, 500 BRONOU

Obligee City, State & Zip: TALLAHASSEE, FL 32399-0250 USA

Transaction Effective Date: November 20, 2020

Premium Effective Date: November 20, 2020

Premium Expiry Date: November 20, 2024

Bond Limit: \$2,000.00

Bond Premium: \$325.00

State Tax: \$0.00

State Surcharge: \$0.00

TOTAL PREMIUM: \$325.00

Comments:

Thank you for placing your business with us.

Producer Name: MCMILLAN, SAM C

S-4123 (9/96) Premium Evidence



PUBLIC OFFICIAL BOND -FOR DEFINITE TERM

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of P.O. BOX 925 HAVANA, FL 32333 Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America		, as Principal, and
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SEALED and dated this <u>10</u> day of	December , 2020 .	
WHEREAS, the said principal has been Public Official Bond - Definite Term and ending November 20, 2024 and the duties of the said office or position.		
NOW, THEREFORE THE CONDITION Of Principal shall (except as hereinafter proviposition during the said term, and shall pay all moneys that may come into his/her har expiration of said term, or in case of his/her successor all records and property be null and void; otherwise to remain in full	vided) faithfully perform the duties y over to the persons authorized by nds during the said term without fro /her resignation or removal from of which have come into his/her hand	of his/her said office or law to receive the same aud or delay, and at the office, shall turn over to
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	Russell E. Vance	Attorney-in-Fact



PUBLIC OFFICIAL BOND - FOR DEFINITE TERM

BOND	NO.	107343566	

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That we Ronterious Green
of P.O. Box 1799 QUINCY, FL 32353 , as Principal, and
Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America, a corporation of, as Surety are held
and firmly bound unto The Governor of the State of Florida in the
penal sum of Two Thousand (\$2,000.00) Dollars, lawful money of the United States of America, for the payment of which well and truly to be made, said principal binds himself/herself, his/her heirs, executors, administrators and assigns, and said Surety binds itself, its successors and assigns, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.
SEALED and dated this09_ day of,2020
WHEREAS, the said principal has been elected or appointed to the office of: County Commissioner for a definite term beginning November 17, 2020 and ending November 17, 2024 and is required to furnish a bond for the faithful performance of the duties of the said office or position.
NOW, THEREFORE THE CONDITION OF THIS OBLIGATION is such that if the above bounden Principal shall (except as hereinafter provided) faithfully perform the duties of his/her said office or position during the said term, and shall pay over to the persons authorized by law to receive the same all moneys that may come into his/her hands during the said term without fraud or delay, and at the expiration of said term, or in case of his/her resignation or removal from office, shall turn over to his/her successor all records and property which have come into his/her hands, then this obligation to be null and void; otherwise to remain in full force and effect.
PROVIDED, HOWEVER, that the above named Surety shall not be liable hereunder for any loss of any public fund resulting from the insolvency of any bank or banks in which said funds are deposited; and, if this provision shall be held void, this entire bond shall be void.
AND PROVIDED FURTHER, that the Surety may cancel bond at any time during the said term by giving to the obligee a written notice of its desire so to cancel and at the expiration of thirty (30) days from the receipt of such notice by the obligee the surety shall be completely released as to all liability thereafter accruing. If this provision shall be held void, this entire bond shall be void.
WITNESS: Ronterious Green
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Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America
Ву:
Angela Kaye Pitts Attorney-in-Fact



PUBLIC OFFICIAL BOND - FOR DEFINITE TERM

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	By:	
	Angela Kaye Pitts	Attorney-in-Fact



August 20, 2022

Angie Pitts ACENTRIA INSURANCE (043625) PO BOX 1919 QUINCY, FL 32353-1919

This is the Renewal for:

BRENDA HOLT

5251 GREENSBORO HIGHWAY

QUINCY, FL 32351

Bond Number: 103967442

Type of Bond: Public Official - Definite Term

Obligee Name: GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA, AND HIS SUCCESSORS IN OFFICE

Obligee Address: STATE CAPITAL BUILDING, 400 S. MONROE ST

Obligee City, State & Zip: TALLAHASSEE, FL 32399 USA

Transaction Effective Date: November 18, 2022
Premium Effective Date: November 18, 2022
Premium Expiry Date: November 18, 2026

Bond Limit: \$2,000.00 Bond Premium: \$325.00

State Tax: \$0.00 State Surcharge: \$0.00

TOTAL PREMIUM: \$325.00

Comments:

Thank you for placing your business with us.

Producer Name: THOMAS, JOHN P

S-4123 (9/96) Premium Evidence



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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 Russell E. Vance, of Hartford, CT, their true and lawful Attorney(s)-in-Fact, to sign, execute, seal and acknowledge the following bond:

Surety Bond No.: 103967442

Principal: BRENDA HOLT

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.

Robert L. Raney, Senior Vice President

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

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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, and Vi 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 20 day of August, 2022.









Kevin E. Hughes, Assistant Secretary

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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.



PUBLIC OFFICIAL BOND - FOR DEFINITE TERM

BOND NO	103967442	
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of 5251 GREENSBORO HIGHWAY, QUINCY, FL 32		ınd
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	Russell E. Vance Attorney-in-Fa	ıct
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December 21, 2022

ANGIE PITTS ACENTRIA INSURANCE (043625) PO BOX 1919 QUINCY, FL 32353-1919

This is the New Business for: ALONZETTA SIMPKINS

PO BOX 1799

QUINCY, FL 32353-1799

Bond Number: 107755945

Type of Bond: County Commissioner

Obligee Name: Governor of the State of Florida, and HIs Successors In Office

Obligee Address: 500 Bronough Room 316, RA Gray Building

Obligee City, State & Zip: TALLAHASSEE, FL 32399 USA

Premium Effective Date: November 15, 2022
Premium Effective Date: November 15, 2022
Premium Expiry Date: November 15, 2026

Bond Limit: **\$2,000.00**

Bond Premium: \$325.00

State Tax: \$0.00 State Surcharge: \$0.00 TOTAL PREMIUM: \$325.00

Comments:

Thank you for placing your business with us.

Producer Name: THOMAS, JOHN P



PUBLIC OFFICIAL BOND - FOR DEFINITE TERM

В	O	N	ID	NO	107755945	

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, Th	at we ALONZETTA SIMPKINS	
of PO BOX 1799, QUINCY, FL 32353-1799		, as Principal, and
Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America		<u>CT</u> , as Surety are held
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WITNESS:	ALONZETTA SIMPKINS	
		(Seal)
		(Principal)
	Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America	
	Ву:	
	Angela Kaye Pitts	Attorney-in-Fact



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 Angela Kaye Pitts, of QUINCY, FL, their true and lawful Attorney(s)-in-Fact, to sign, execute, seal and acknowledge the following bond:

Surety Bond No.: 107755945

Principal: ALONZETTA SIMPKINS

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.

Robert L. Raney, Senior Vice President

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

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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, and Vi 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 21 day of December, 2022.









Va E. Huge Kevin E. Hughes, Assistant Secretary



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August 27, 2019

Gadsden County Sheriff's Office Ms. Katherine Pondexter 339 E. Jefferson St. Quincy, FL 32351

Dear Ms. Pondexter,

Enclosed is the Deputy Sheriff's Blanket Bond. As discussed, the bond covers 63 deputies.

For your convenience we have also enclosed our invoice.

Please let us know if we can be of additional assistance.

Thank you.

Jackie Terr

Agent



(A Stock Company, herein called Surety)

PUBLIC EMPLOYEES BLANKET BOND

Including Public School System

		Bond No. <u>72188321</u>	
Item 1.	Name of Obligee: G	DECLARATIONS adsden County Sheriff's Department Deputies	
item 2.	Name of Insured: G	adsden County Sheriff's Department Deputies	
Item 3.		he beginning of the <u>14th</u> day of <u>August</u> I the effective date of the cancellation or termination of this bond as	an entirety.
In:	suring Agreement 1 suring Agreement 2 suring Agreement 3 suring Agreement 4 The liability of the Su	Table of Limits of Liability Honesty Blanket Bond Coverage (Coverage for all employees up to the bond limit, not per employee) Honesty Blanket Position Bond Coverage (Coverage amount is per employee up to bond limit) Faithful Performance Blanket Bond Coverage (Includes honesty coverage, coverage of all employees up to bond limit) (Insuring Agreement 1 is automatically included if Insured Agreement 3 is selected) Faithful Performance Blanket Position Bond Coverage (Includes honesty coverage, covers each employee up to bond limit) (Insuring Agreement 2 is automatically included if Insured Agreement 4 is selected) arety is subject to the following conditions or to the terms of riders w	\$1,000.00 hich may be attached.
General Agreeme	Bond(s) No.(s) such termination or of Surety, in considerating Agreement, Condition ents hereof as are spe	e Insured by the acceptance of this Bond give notice to Surety terms ancellation to be effective as of the time this bond becomes effective ion of the payment of the premium, and subject to the Declarations and Limitations and other terms of this Bond, agrees, in accordance ifically designated by the insertion of an amount of coverage in the use and benefit of the Insured for:	ve. ns made a part hereof, the

INSURING AGREEMENTS

Honesty Blanket Bond Coverage

1. Loss sustained by the insured through any fraudulent or dishonest act or acts committed by any of the Employees, acting alone or in collusion with others, during the Bond Period, to an amount not exceeding in the aggregate the amount stated in the Table of Limits of Liability applicable to this Insuring Agreement 1.

Honesty Blanket Position Bond Coverage

Loss sustained by the insured through any fraudulent or dishonest act or acts committed by any of the Employees, acting alone or in collusion with others, during the Bond Period, the amount of indemnity on each of such Employees being the amount stated in the Table of Limits of Liability applicable to this Insuring Agreement 2.

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Faithful Performance Blanket Bond Coverage

3. Loss caused to the Insured through the failure of any of the Employees, acting alone or in collusion with others, to perform duties faithfully or to account properly for all monies and property received by virtue of their position or employment during the Bond Period to an amount not exceeding in the aggregate the amount stated in the Table of Limits of Liability applicable to this Insuring Agreement 3.

Faithful Performance Blanket Position Bond Coverage

4. Loss caused to the Insured through the failure of any of the Employees, acting alone or in collusion with others, to perform duties faithfully or to account properly for all monies and property received by virtue of their position or employment during the Bond Period, the amount of indemnity on each of such Employees being the amount stated in the Table of Limits of Liability applicable to this Insuring Agreement 4.

GENERAL AGREEMENT

Loss Under Prior Bond

If the coverage of an Insuring Agreement of this Bond is substituted for any prior bond carried by the Insured or by any predecessor in interest of the Insured which prior bond is terminated, cancelled or allowed to expire as of the time of such substitution, the Surety agrees that such Insuring Agreement applies to loss sustained by, or caused to, the Insured, as the case may be, prior to or during the Bond Period, provided that such loss is discovered after the beginning of the Bond Period and prior to the expiration of three years from the cancellation of this Bond and that such loss would have been recoverable by the Insured or such predecessor under such prior bond except for the fact that the time within which to bring suit, action or proceeding of any kind thereunder had expired, and provided further:

- (1) the indemnity afforded by this General Agreement shall be a part of and not in addition to the amount of coverage afforded by the applicable Insuring Agreement of this Bond; and
- (2) such loss would have been covered under such insuring Agreement had such insuring Agreement with its agreements, conditions and limitations as of the time of such substitution been in force when the acts or defaults causing such loss were committed; and
- (3) recovery under such Insuring Agreement on account of such loss shall in no event exceed the amount which would have been recoverable under such Insuring Agreement in the amount for which it is written as of the time of such substitution, had such Insuring Agreement been in force when such acts or defaults were committed, or the amount which would have been recoverable under such prior bond had such prior bond continued in force until the discovery of such loss if the latter amount be smaller.

THE FOREGOING INSURING AGREEMENTS AND GENERAL AGREEMENT ARE SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS AND LIMITATIONS:

DEFINITIONS

Section 1. The following terms, as used in this Bond, shall have the respective meanings stated in this Section:

"Employee" as used in Insuring Agreements 1 and 2 means a person while in the employ of the Insured during the Bond Period who is not required by law to give bond conditioned for the faithful performance of their duties and who is a member of the staff or personnel of the Insured but does not mean the Treasurer or Tax Collector, by whatever title known, of the Insured.

"Employee" as used in Insuring Agreements 3 and 4 means a person while in the employ of the Insured during the Bond Period who is not required by law to furnish an Individual Bond to qualify for office and who is a member of the staff or personnel of the Insured but does not mean any Treasurer or Tax Collector by whatever title known.

STUDENT ACTIVITIES

When this bond is written for a Public School System, "Employee" as above defined shall also be deemed to include any student enrolled in a school under the jurisdiction of the Insured while handling or having possession of property or funds in connection with student activities or while handling or having possession of U.S. Savings Bonds or Stamps or funds in connection with the purchase or sale of such Bonds or Stamps.

Any loss of such property, funds, Bonds or Stamps through any act or default covered by this Bond and committed by any Employee shall be deemed to be a loss sustained by the Insured under this Bond, whether or not the Insured is legally liable therefor.

UNIDENTIFIABLE EMPLOYEE

Section 2. In case a loss is alleged to have been caused to the Insured through acts or defaults by an Employee covered under an applicable Insuring Agreement of this Bond, while such Insuring Agreement is in full force and effect and the Insured shall be unable to designate the specific Employee causing such loss, the Insured shall nevertheless have the benefit of such Insuring Agreement provided that the evidence submitted reasonably establishes that the loss was in fact caused by such Employee through such acts or defaults and provided, further, that regardless of the number of such Employees concerned or implicated in such loss, the aggregate liability of the Surety for any such loss shall not exceed the amount stated in Item 4 of the Declarations applicable to such Insuring Agreement.

EXCLUSION

Section 3. This Bond does not cover any loss sustained by, or caused to, the Insured under circumstances whereby and to the amount which the Obligee or the Insured voluntarily undertakes or is obligated by law to exonerate or indemnify any of the Employees against liability incurred by them in the performance of their duties.

LIMITS OF LIABILITY

Section 4. Indemnification by the Surety for any loss under Insuring Agreement 1 or 3 shall not reduce the Surety's liability for other losses under the applicable Insuring Agreement, whenever sustained; provided, however, that the Surety's total liability under each such Insuring Agreement for any loss caused by any Employee or In which such Employee is concerned or implicated is limited to the applicable amount of indemnity specified in the Table of Limits of Liability.

Indemnification by the Surety for any loss under insuring Agreement 2 or 4 shall not reduce the Surety's liability for other losses under the applicable insuring Agreement, whenever sustained; provided, however, the Surety's total liability under each such Insuring Agreement as to each Employee is limited to the applicable amount of indemnity specified in the Table of Limits of Liability.

Regardless of the number of years this Bond shall continue in force and the number of premiums which shall be payable or paid, the limit of the Surety's liability as specified in the Table of Limits of Liability shall not be cumulative from year to year or period to period.

LIMIT OF LIABILITY UNDER THIS BOND AND ANY PRIOR BOND

Section 5. With respect to loss under insuring Agreement 1 or 3 caused by any Employee or in which such Employee is concerned or implicated or which is chargeable to such Employee as provided in Section 2 of this Bond and with respect to loss under Insuring Agreement 2 or 4 caused by any Employee or which is chargeable to such Employee as provided in Section 2 of this Bond and with respect to loss under any Insuring Agreement which occurs partly during the Bond Period and partly during the period of other bonds issued by the Surety to the Insured or to any predecessor in Interest of the insured and terminated or cancelled or allowed to expire and in which the period specified therein for bringing suit, action or proceeding of any kind, or if no such period is specified therein, then within the period prescribed by the applicable statute of limitations, has not expired at the time such loss thereunder is discovered, the total liability of the Surety under this Bond and under such other bonds shall not exceed, in the aggregate, the amount covered under the applicable Insuring Agreement of this Bond on such loss or the amount available to the Insured under such other bonds, as limited by the terms and conditions thereof, for any such loss if the latter amount be larger.

CANCELLATION

Section 6. This Bond shall be deemed cancelled as to any Employee:

- (a) Immediately upon discovery by the Obligee or the Insured of any act on the part of such Employee which would constitute a liability of the Surety under the applicable insuring Agreement covering such Employee;
- (b) Upon the death, resignation or removal of such Employee;



(c) At 12 o'clock night upon the effective date specified in a written notice mailed to the Obligee and the Insured. Such date shall be not less than thirty days after the date of mailing. The mailing by the Surety of notice as aforesaid to the Obligee and the Insured shall be sufficient proof of notice. Delivery of such written notice by the Surety shall be equivalent to mailing.

This Bond may be cancelled by the Obligee or the Insured by mailing to the Surety written notice stating when thereafter the cancellation shall be effective. This Bond may be cancelled by the Surety by mailing to the Obligee and the Insured written notice stating when, not less than thirty days thereafter, such cancellation shall be effective. The mailing of notice as aforesaid shall be sufficient proof of notice. Delivery of such written notice either by the Obligee or the Insured or by the Surety shall be equivalent to mailing. If the Obligee or the Insured cancels, earned premium shall be computed in accordance with the customary short rate table and procedure. If the Surety cancels, earned premium shall be computed pro rata. Premium adjustments may be made at the time cancellation is effective or as soon as practicable after cancellation becomes effective, but payment or tender of unearned premium is not a condition of cancellation.

If any of the cancellation provisions set forth in either or both of the foregoing paragraphs of this Section are prohibited or made void by any law controlling the construction of this Bond, such provisions to the extent they are so prohibited or made void shall be deemed to be nullified and of no effect.

LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

Section 7. No suit, action or proceeding of any kind to recover on account of loss under this Bond shall be brought after the expiration of three years from the cancellation of this Bond as an entirety provided, however, that if such limitation for bringing suit, action or proceeding is prohibited or made void by any law controlling the construction of this Bond, such limitation shall be deemed to be amended so as to be equal to the minimum period of the limitation permitted by such law.

Dated this 19th day of August , 2019

Appointed Agent of Surety

By Paul T. Bruffett, Vice President

SCHEDULE OF ADDITIONAL COVERAGE

It is agreed that:

- 1. Subject to the terms and the Insuring Agreements selected in the attached bond, the amount of additional coverage granted by this Schedule for Employees performing the duties of the positions listed below shall be in the amount set next to the name of such position.
- 2. It is further agreed that additional coverage shall apply only to loss sustained through fraudulent or dishonest act or acts committed by an Employee, acting alone or in collusion with others, during the Bond Period and shall be in addition to the amount stated in the Bond Table of Limits of Liability.
- 3. The liability of the Surety under this Schedule on account of any one Employee, in any one or more position (in the original or an increased or decreased amount), shall not exceed the largest single amount of coverage on any one position occupied by such Employee.
- 4. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the bond or this Schedule, no losses shall be recoverable under this Schedule unless caused by the Employee who has been identified as having caused such loss.
- 5. Regardless of the number of years the bond and this Schedule shall continue in force and effect, and the number of premiums which shall be payable or paid, the limit of the Surety's liability as specified in the Table of Limits of Liability and this Schedule shall not be cumulative from year to year or period to period.

Position _	Amount of Additional Coverage on each Employee	Total Number of Employees in each Position
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Dated this 19th day of August

WESTERN SURETY COMPANY

Paul T. Bruffat, Vice President

2019

Laurel Bradley
Laurel Bradley
Fwd: BONDS
Monday, January 2, 2023 2:51:42 PM From: To: Subject: Date:

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: Laurel Bradley <lbradley@gadsdencountyfl.gov> Date: December 27, 2022 at 12:50:00 PM EST To: pondexterk@tds.net, bobbycollins@tds.net Subject: RE: BONDS

Thank you!!!

-----Original Message---From: pondexterk@tds.net <pondexterk@tds.net>
Sent: Tuesday, December 27, 2022 11:42 AM
To: Laurel Bradley <lbradley@gadsdencountyfl.gov>; bobbycollins@tds.net Subject: RE: BONDS Importance: High

Laurel.

 $Bond\#\ 72188321\ issued\ by\ Western\ Surety\ Company\ is\ in\ full\ effect\ for\ the\ period\ 8/14/2022\ to\ 8/14/2023.\ Thanks$

Katherine Pondexter, CFO Gadsden County Sheriff's Office 339 East Jefferson Street Quincy, FL 32351 Tel: (850) 627-5344/(850) 933-5814(cell) Fax: (850) 627-4666

-----Original Message----From: Laurel Bradley «Bradley@gadsdencountyfl.gov>
Sent: Thursday, December 22, 2022 9:34 AM
To: bobbycollins@tds.net; Katherine Pondexter (pondexterk@tds.net) <pondexterk@tds.net) Subject: BONDS

Good morning, I hope you are doing well. Please see the attached Bond for the GCSO Deputies and let me know if this Bond is still in effect?

If not, we will need a new one for all of the deputies. I have to present this to the Board at the January 3rd BOCC Meeting.

Please let me know if there are any questions.

Kind Regards,

Executive Assistant to the County Administrator Gadsden County Board of County Commissioners 9 - B. East Jefferson Street P. O. Box 1799 Quincy, Florida 32351
Office: 850.875.8656 | Cell: 850.743.7140 lbradley@GadsdenCountyFL.gov<mailto:lbradley@GadsdenCountyFL.gov>

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 From:
 Katherine Pondexter

 To:
 Laurel Bradley

 Cc:
 Charles Hayes; Bobby Collins

Subject: Fw: Gadsden

Date: Friday, January 5, 2024 3:30:05 PM

Attachments: image002.png image003.jpg

Laurel,

The Deputy Sheriffs Bond #72188321 was renewed July 2023. I will forward you a copy after I receive it. Thanks

Katherine Pondexter, CFO Gadsden County Sheriff's Office

From: Mercedes Martin < Mercedes. Martin@fsrmf.org>

Sent: Friday, January 5, 2024 2:06 PM

To: Katherine Pondexter < KPondexter@sheriff.gadsdencountyfl.gov>

Subject: RE: Gadsden

Hello Katherine,

I have contacted the carrier for a copy and will supply this to you when received. I just wanted to reach out and update you.

Thank you,

Mercedes Martin, Customer Service Representative

Florida Sheriffs Insurance Agency, LLC

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From: Apryl Evans <Apryl.Evans@fsrmf.org> **Sent:** Friday, January 5, 2024 1:20 PM

To: Mercedes Martin < Mercedes. Martin@fsrmf.org >

Subject: Gadsden

Katherine Pondexter from Gadsden called. She needs a copy of their deputy sheriffs blanket bond.

Apryl Evans, CIC, ARM *Underwriter* Florida Sheriffs Risk Management Fund

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