

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
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COUNTY OF LAKE) SS.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINETEENTH
JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, LAKE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

IN THE MATTER OF THE)
EAST SKOKIE DRAINAGE DISTRICT) NO. 70 TX 6
LAKE COUNTY, ILLINOIS) (8547 County Court)

BOND OF COMMISSIONERS

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that I, JAMES H. BRADNER, JR., as principal, and ST. PAUL TRAVELERS INSURANCE COMPANY, as surety are held and firmly bound unto the People of the State of Illinois for the use of all persons interested in the sum of One Thousand and no/100's Dollars (\$1,000.00) lawful money of the United States for payment of which, will and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns, jointly and severally, firmly by these presence.

WHEREAS, the above bound principal, JAMES H. BRADNER, JR., has been appointed to the office or position of Commissioner of the East Skokie Drainage District and is required to furnish a bond for the term beginning the 24th day of February, 2005 and expiring the 24th day of February, 2006.

NOW THEREFORE, the condition of this obligation is such, that if during the period aforesaid, the principal faithfully performs his duties and faithfully applies all monies that may come under his control, this obligation is to be void and of no effect, otherwise to remain in full force and effect.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the seal and signature of the said principal is hereby affixed, and the corporate seal of said surety being hereto affixed and these presence duly signed by its undersigned representative pursuant to authority granted thereto.

ST. PAUL TRAVELERS INSURANCE CO.
Surety

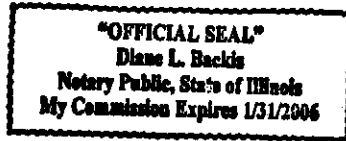
James H. Bradner Jr.
Principal

By: Ada M. Peterson
Attorney-In-Fact
ADA M. PETERSON

NOTARIAL ACKNOWLEDGMENT

STATE OF ILLINOIS
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On this 9TH day of MARCH, 2005 before me, a Notary Public of the State and County aforesaid, residing therein, duly commissioned and sworn, personally came ADA M. PETERSON, to me known, who being by me first duly sworn according to law, did depose and say that he resides in ROUND LAKE, IL; that he is an attorney-in-fact of TRAVELERS CASUALTY AND SURETY COMPANY OF AMERICA, the corporation described in and which executed the foregoing instrument; that he knows the seal of said corporation; that the seal affixed to such instrument is such corporate seal; that it was so affixed by order of the Board of Directors of said corporation and that he signed his name thereto by like order; that he executed and delivered such instrument of behalf of said corporation as its voluntary act and deed for the uses and purposes therein mentioned.



Diane L. Backis
Notary Public



TRAVELERS CASUALTY AND SURETY COMPANY OF AMERICA
TRAVELERS CASUALTY AND SURETY COMPANY
FARMINGTON CASUALTY COMPANY
Hartford, Connecticut 06183-9062

POWER OF ATTORNEY AND CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY OF ATTORNEY(S)-IN-FACT

KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS, THAT TRAVELERS CASUALTY AND SURETY COMPANY OF AMERICA, TRAVELERS CASUALTY AND SURETY COMPANY and FARMINGTON CASUALTY COMPANY, corporations duly organized under the laws of the State of Connecticut and having their principal offices in the City of Hartford, County of Hartford, State of Connecticut, (hereinafter the "Companies") hath made, constituted and appointed, and do by these presents make, constitute and appoint: Bryan W. Swank, Stuart O. Swank, Ada M. Peterson, of Waukegan, Illinois, their true and lawful Attorney(s)-in-Fact, with full power and authority hereby conferred to sign, execute and acknowledge, at any place within the United States, the following instrument(s): by his/her sole signature and act, any and all bonds, recognizances, contracts of indemnity, and other writings obligatory in the nature of a bond, recognizance, or conditional undertaking and any and all consents incident thereto and to bind the Companies, thereby as fully and to the same extent as if the same were signed by the duly authorized officers of the Companies, and all the acts of said Attorney(s)-in-Fact, pursuant to the authority herein given, are hereby ratified and confirmed.

This appointment is made under and by authority of the following Standing Resolutions of said Companies, which Resolutions are now in full force and effect:

VOTED: That the Chairman, the President, any Vice Chairman, any Executive Vice President, any Senior Vice President, any Vice President, 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.

VOTED: 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.

VOTED: 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.

This Power of Attorney and Certificate of Authority is signed and sealed by facsimile (mechanical or printed) under and by authority of the following Standing Resolution voted by the Boards of Directors of TRAVELERS CASUALTY AND SURETY COMPANY OF AMERICA, TRAVELERS CASUALTY AND SURETY COMPANY and FARMINGTON CASUALTY COMPANY, which Resolution is now in full force and effect:

VOTED: 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 upon the Company in the future with respect to any bond or undertaking to which it is attached.