

Effective Date: April 17th, 2000



Western Surety Company

LICENSE AND PERMIT BOND

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

BOND No. 24561834

2000

That we, Banter Floor Covering, Inc.

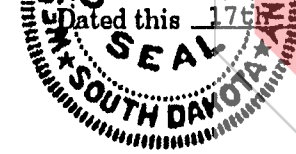
of the City of Crown Point, State of Indiana, as Principal, and WESTERN SURETY COMPANY, a corporation duly licensed to do business in the State of Indiana, as Surety, are held and firmly bound unto the All towns, cities & municipalities in Lake County, State of Indiana, Obligees, in the penal sum of Five Thousand and 00/100 DOLLARS (\$5,000.00), lawful money of the United States, to be paid to the said Obligees, for which payment well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves and our legal representatives, jointly and severally by these presents.

THE CONDITION OF THE ABOVE OBLIGATION IS SUCH, That whereas, the said Principal has been licensed Floor Covering Contractor

NOW THEREFORE, if the said Principal shall faithfully perform the duties and in all things comply with the laws and ordinances, including all amendments thereto, pertaining to the license or permit applied for, then this obligation to be void, otherwise to remain in full force and effect until April 17th, 2001, unless renewed by Continuation Certificate.

This bond may be terminated at any time by the Surety upon sending notice in writing, by certified mail, to the clerk of the Political Subdivision with whom this bond is filed and to the Principal, addressed to them at the Political Subdivision named herein, and at the expiration of thirty-five (35) days from the mailing of said notice, this bond shall ipso facto terminate and the Surety shall thereupon be relieved from any liability for any act or omission of the Principal subsequent to said date.

Dated this 17th day of April, 2000.



Paula A Banter
Principal

Countersigned

By W. P. Sanborn
Resident Agent

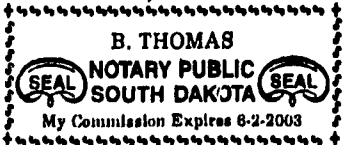
WESTERN SURETY COMPANY
By Stephen T. Pate
Stephen T. Pate, President

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF SURETY (Corporate Officer)

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA }
County of Minnehaha } ss

On this 17th day of April, 2000, before me, the undersigned officer, personally appeared Stephen T. Pate, who acknowledged himself to be the aforesaid officer of WESTERN SURETY COMPANY, a corporation, and that he as such officer, being authorized so to do, executed the foregoing instrument for the purposes therein contained, by signing the name of the corporation by himself as such officer.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal.



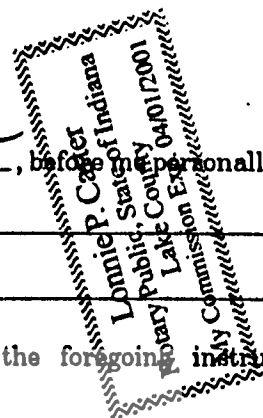
B. Thomas
Notary Public - South Dakota

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ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF PRINCIPAL
(Individual or Partners)

STATE OF INDIANA }
County of LAKE }

On this 17 day of APRIL, 2000, PAUL A. BARTER personally appeared
OWNER



known to me to be the individual described in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged to me that he executed the same.

My commission expires 4-1-2001
Lorraine P. Carter
Notary Public

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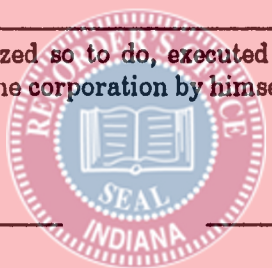
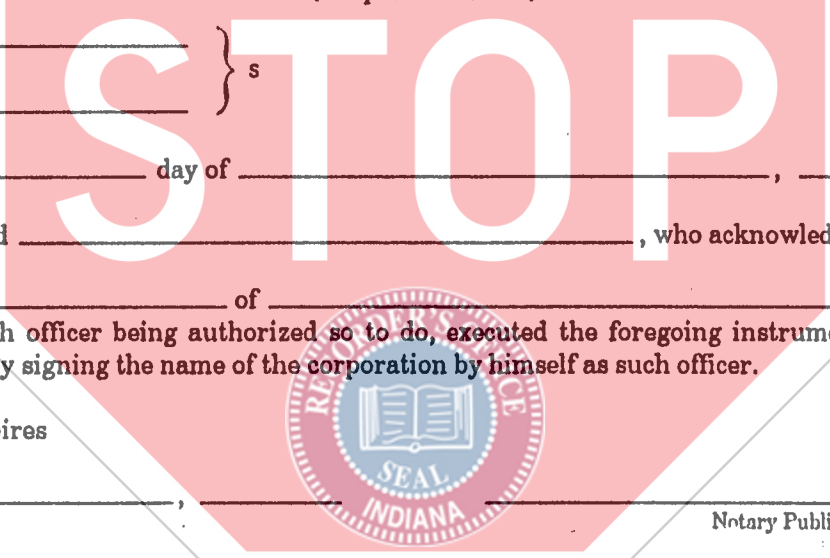
ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF PRINCIPAL
(Corporate Officer)

STATE OF _____ }
County of _____ }

On this _____ day of _____, _____, before me personally appeared _____, who acknowledged himself to be the _____ of _____, a corporation, and that he as such officer being authorized so to do, executed the foregoing instrument for the purposes therein contained by signing the name of the corporation by himself as such officer.

My commission expires _____

Notary Public



Western Surety Company

License or Permit No. _____
LICENSE AND PERMIT BOND As _____
of _____
State of _____
Name of Applicant _____
Address _____
Filed _____
Approved this _____ day of _____