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MORRIS W. CARTER  
RECORDER

LICENSE OR PERMIT BOND

KNOW ALL BY THESE PRESENTS, That we, Real Sign Company, Inc. dba Marshall Real  
Sign Company as Principal, of 3610 S. Albany  
Chicago IL 60632 and the AMERICAN STATES INSURANCE COMPANY  
(City) (State)  
Indiana a Indiana corporation, as Surety, are held and

bound unto City of Whiting  
P.O. Box 230 1443 119th St., Whiting, IN 46394, as Oblige, in the sum of  
Ten Thousand Dollars and 00/100\*\*\*\*\* Dollars (\$ 10,000 )  
for which sum, well and truly to be paid, we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns,  
jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.

Sealed with our seals, and dated this 23 day of March, 2000.

THE CONDITION OF THIS OBLIGATION IS SUCH, That WHEREAS, the Principal has been or is about to be granted  
a license or permit to do business as Sign Installation  
by the Oblige.

NOW, THEREFORE, if the Principal well and truly comply with applicable local ordinances, and conduct business in  
conformity therewith, then this obligation to be void; otherwise to remain in full force and effect.

PROVIDED, HOWEVER:

- 1. This bond shall continue in force:
  - Until March 23, 2001, or until the date of expiration of any Continuation Certificate executed by the Surety
  - OR
  - Until canceled as herein provided.
- 2. This bond may be canceled by the Surety by the sending of notice in writing to the Oblige, stating when, not less than thirty days thereafter, liability hereunder shall terminate as to subsequent acts or omissions of the Principal.

Real Sign Company, Inc.  
dba Marshall Real Sign Company  
Principal



AMERICAN STATES INSURANCE COMPANY  
By [Signature]  
Attorney-in-Fact

M. JV  
05/13/2004  
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POWER OF ATTORNEY

AMERICAN STATES INSURANCE COMPANY  
INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA 46206

No. 10716

KNOW ALL BY THESE PRESENTS:

That AMERICAN STATES INSURANCE COMPANY, a Indiana corporation, does hereby appoint

\*\*\*\*\*CASIMIR J. GRESIK; GERALD M. GRESIK; Summit Argo, Illinois\*\*\*\*\*

its true and lawful attorney(s)-in-fact, with full authority to execute on behalf of the company fidelity and surety bonds or undertakings and other documents of a similar character issued by the company in the course of its business, and to bind AMERICAN STATES INSURANCE COMPANY thereby as fully as if such instruments had been duly executed by its regularly elected officers at its home office, in amounts or penalties not exceeding the sum of:

One Hundred Thousand and 00/100 .....  
DOLLARS (\$ 100,000.00 )

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, AMERICAN STATES INSURANCE COMPANY has executed and attested these presents

This Document is the property of  
the Lake County Recorder

this 7th day of July 1999

*R.A. Pierson*

R.A. PIERSON, SECRETARY

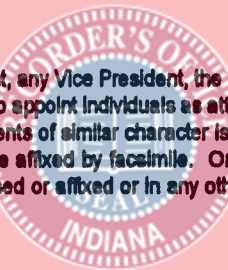
*W. Randall Stoddard*

W. RANDALL STODDARD, PRESIDENT

CERTIFICATE

Extract from the By-Laws of AMERICAN STATES INSURANCE COMPANY:

"Article 8, Section 8.1 1. - FIDELITY AND SURETY BONDS . . . the President, any Vice President, the Secretary, and any Assistant Vice President appointed for that purpose by the officer in charge of surety operations, shall each have authority to appoint individuals as attorneys-in-fact or under other appropriate titles with authority to execute on behalf of the corporation fidelity and surety bonds and other documents of similar character issued by the corporation in the course of its business . . . On any instrument making or evidencing such appointment, the signatures may be affixed by facsimile. On any instrument conferring such authority or on any bond or undertaking of the corporation, the seal, or a facsimile thereof, may be impressed or affixed or in any other manner reproduced; provided, however, that the seal shall not be necessary to the validity of any such instrument or undertaking."



I, R. A. Pierson, Secretary of AMERICAN STATES INSURANCE COMPANY, do hereby certify that the foregoing extracts of the By-Laws of this corporation, and of a Power of Attorney issued pursuant thereto, are true and correct, and that both the By-Laws and the Power of Attorney are still in full force and effect.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the facsimile seal of said corporation

this 23 day of March 2000



*R.A. Pierson*

R.A. PIERSON, SECRETARY

STATE OF IL }  
COUNTY OF Cook } ss:

On this 23 day of March, 2000, before me personally appeared

Gerald M. Gresik of Summit, IL, Attorney-in-Fact for American States Insurance Company, to me known and known to me to be the individual who executed the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged that he executed the same.

My Commission Expires:

Angela DeLuna  
Notary Public,

in and for the County of Cook,

State of Illinois.



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