

STATE OF INDIANA  
LAKE COUNTY  
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AMERICAN STATES INSURANCE COMPANY

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MORRIS W. CARTER  
RECORDER

a certain Bond No. 5983438

dated effective 06/16/1999  
(MONTH-DAY-YEAR)

on behalf of A-Better Construction Company  
(PRINCIPAL)

and in favor of The Board of Commissioners of the County of Lake, State of Indiana, and any  
Cities and Towns in Lake County Indiana  
(OBLIGEE)

does hereby continue said bond in force for the further period

beginning on 06/16/2002  
(MONTH-DAY-YEAR)

and ending on 06/16/2003  
(MONTH-DAY-YEAR)

Amount of bond Five Thousand (\$5,000.00)

Description of bond Contractor

Premium: \$50.00

PROVIDED: That this continuation certificate does not create a new obligation and is executed upon the express condition and provision that the Surety's liability under said bond and this and all Continuation Certificates issued in connection therewith shall not be cumulative and that the said Surety's aggregate liability under said bond and this and all such Continuation Certificates on account of all defaults committed during the period (regardless of the number of years) said bond had been and shall be in force, shall not in any event exceed the amount of said bond as hereinbefore set forth.

Signed and dated on 04/18/2002

(MONTH-DAY-YEAR)  
AMERICAN STATES INSURANCE COMPANY  
PO Box 34526, Seattle, WA 98124-1526 1-888-844-2663

By *Kim Jones*  
ATTORNEY-IN-FACT Kim Jones

Fleming Bates & Barber Insurance Inc  
Agent  
PO Box 907 Crown Point, IN 46307

Address of Agent

Telephone Number of Agent



1200  
M.V.  
CASH

POWER OF ATTORNEY

AMERICAN STATES INSURANCE COMPANY  
INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA 46206

No. 10828

KNOW ALL BY THESE PRESENTS:

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

.....\*KIM JONES.....

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:

Five Hundred Thousand and 00/100 -

DOLLARS (\$ 500,000.00 )

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

this 20th day of October, 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:

**NOT OFFICIAL!**

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"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 18th day of April, 2002



*R.A. Pierson*  
R.A. PIERSON, SECRETARY