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BOND 601062240

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

That we Edward Sopko of Chesterton, Indiana, as Principal, and The Ohio Casualty Insurance Company, of 62 Maple Avenue, Keene, New Hampshire 03431, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of New Hampshire, as Surety, are held and firmly bound unto The State of Indiana in the aggregate and non-cumulative penal sum of Three Hundred Thousand Dollars And Zero Cents (\$300,000.00) Dollars, for the payment of which well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.

SIGNED, SEALED and DATED this 3rd day of July, 2013

THE CONDITION OF THE ABOVE OBLIGATION IS SUCH, That Whereas, the said Principal has been elected or appointed to (or holds by operation of law) the office of Treasurer for a term beginning on July 3, 2013 and ending on July 3, 2014

NOW, THEREFORE, If the Principal shall well, truly and faithfully perform all official duties required by law of such official during the term aforesaid, then this obligation shall be void; otherwise to remain in full force and effect.

THIS BOND is executed by the Surety upon the following express conditions:

First: The Surety may, if it shall so elect, cancel this bond by giving thirty (30) days notice in writing to Lake Ridge Community School Corporation 6111 W. Ridge Road, Gary, IN 46408 and this bond shall be deemed canceled at the expiration of said thirty (30) days; the surety remaining liable, however, subject to all the terms, conditions and provisions of this bond, for any act or acts covered by this bond which may have been committed by the Principal up to the date of such cancellation; and the Surety shall, upon surrender of this bond and its release from all liability hereunder, refund the premium, less a pro rata part thereof for time this bond shall have been in force.

Second: That the Surety shall not be liable hereunder for the loss of any public monies or funds occurring through or resulting from the failure of, or default in payment by, any banks or depositories in which any public monies or funds have been deposited, or may be deposited, or placed to the credit, or under the control of the Principal, whether or not such banks or depositories were or may be selected or designated by the Principal or by other persons; or by reason of the allowances or acceptance by the Principal of any interest on said public monies or funds, any law, decision, ordinance or statute to the contrary notwithstanding.

Third: That the Surety shall not be liable for any loss or losses, resulting from the failure of the Principal to collect any taxes, licenses, levies, assessments, etc., with the collection of which he may be chargeable by reason of his election or appointment as aforesaid.

By: Edward Sopko
Edward Sopko

I affirm, under the penalties of perjury, that I have taken reasonable care to redact each Social Security number in this document unless required by law.

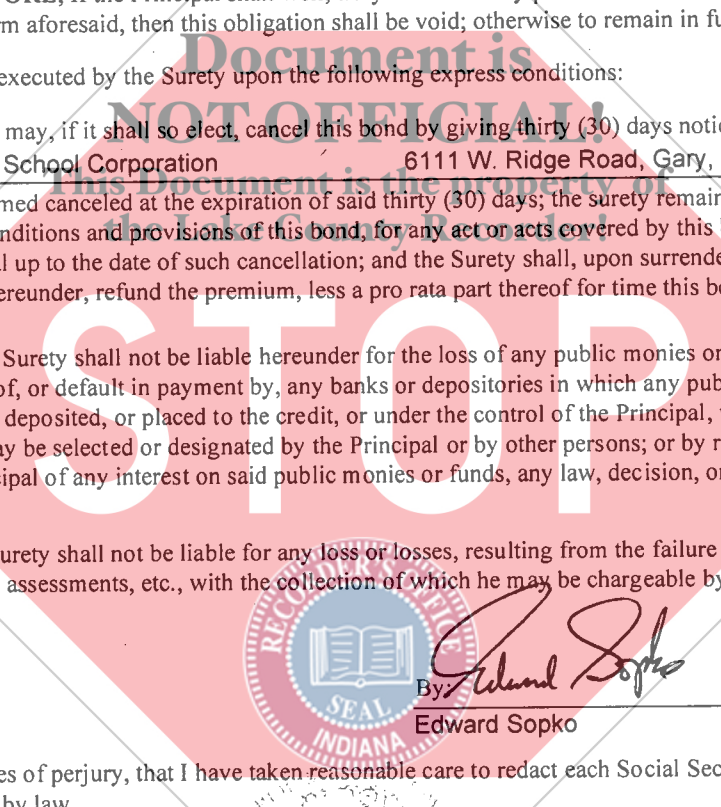
The Ohio Casualty Insurance Company
By: Vicky VanLear
Vicky VanLear, Attorney-in-fact

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OATH OF OFFICE

State of INDIANA
County of LAKE

I, Edward Sopko, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support, protect and defend the Constitution of The United States and the Constitution of the State of Indiana, and that I will discharge the duties of my office of TREASURER OF LAKE RIDGE SCHOOLS with fidelity; that I have not paid or contributed, or promised to pay or contribute, either directly or indirectly, any money or other valuable thing to procure my nomination or election (or appointment), except for necessary and proper expenses expressly authorized by law; that I have not knowingly violated any election law of this State, or procured it to be done by others in my behalf; that I will not knowingly receive, directly or indirectly, any money or other valuable thing for the performance or non-performance of any act or duty pertaining to my office than the compensation allowed by law. So help me God.

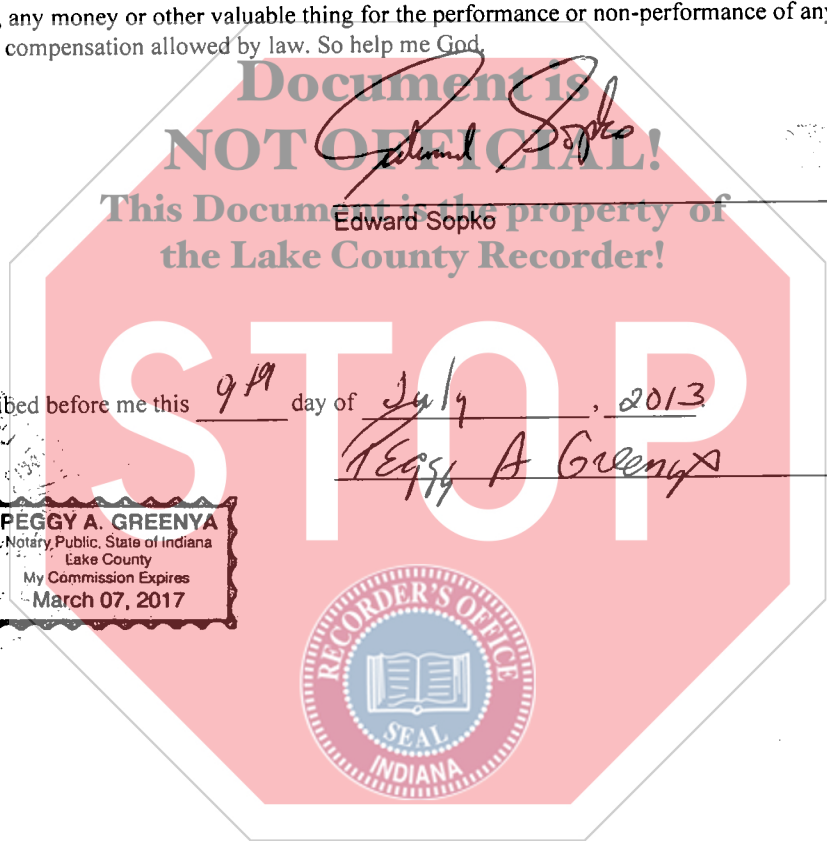
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Edward Sopko
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Sworn to and subscribed before me this 9th day of July, 2013

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PEGGY A. GREENYA
Notary Public, State of Indiana
Lake County
My Commission Expires
March 07, 2017



Principal: Edward Sopko

POWER OF ATTORNEY
THE OHIO CASUALTY INSURANCE COMPANY

Agency Name: THE BRAMAN AGENCY LLC

Obligee: State of Indiana

Bond Number: 601062240

Know All Men by These Presents: That THE OHIO CASUALTY INSURANCE COMPANY, a New Hampshire Corporation, pursuant to the authority granted by Article IV, Section 12 of the Code of Regulations and By-Laws of The Ohio Casualty Insurance Company, do hereby nominate, constitute and appoint: Donald A. Biesen, Joyce Dolato, Vicky VanLear, Randy C. Vale, Stacy Babich of MERRILLVILLE, Indiana its true and lawful agent(s) and attorney(ies)-in-fact, to make, execute, seal and deliver for and on its behalf as surety, and as its act and deed any and all BONDS, UNDERTAKINGS, and RECOGNIZANCES, excluding, however, any bond(s) or undertaking(s) guaranteeing the payment of notes and interest thereon.

And the execution of such bonds or undertakings in pursuance of these presents, shall be as binding upon said Company, as fully and amply, to all intents and purposes, as if they had been duly executed and acknowledged by the regularly elected officers of said Company at their administrative offices in Keene, NH, in their own proper persons. The authority granted hereunder supersedes any previous authority heretofore granted the above named attorney(ies)-in-fact.

In WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned officer of the said The Ohio Casualty Insurance Company has hereunto subscribed his name and affixed the Corporate Seal of said Company this 1st day of December, 2012.



Gregory W. Davenport Assistant Secretary

STATE OF WASHINGTON
COUNTY OF KING

On this 1st day of December, 2012 before the subscriber, a Notary Public of the State of Washington, in and for the County of King, duly commissioned and qualified, came Gregory W. Davenport, Assistant Secretary of The Ohio Casualty Insurance Company, to me personally known to be the individual and officer described in, and who executed the preceding instrument, and he acknowledged the execution of the same, and being by me duly sworn deposes and says that he is the officer of the Company aforesaid, and that the seal affixed to the preceding instrument is the Corporate Seal of said Company, and the said Corporate Seal and his signature as officer were duly affixed and subscribed to the said instrument by the authority and direction of the said Corporation.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Official Seal at the City of Seattle, State of Washington, the day and year first above written.



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Notary Public in and for County of King, State of Washington
My Commission expires December 9, 2013

This power of attorney is granted under and by authority of Article IV, Section 12 of the By-Laws of The Ohio Casualty Insurance Company, extracts from which read:

ARTICLE IV - Officers: Section 12. Power of Attorney.

Any officer or other official of the Corporation authorized for that purpose in writing by the Chairman or the President, and subject to such limitation as the Chairman or President may prescribe, shall appoint such attorneys-in-fact, as may be necessary to act in behalf of the Corporation to make, execute, seal, acknowledge and deliver as surety any and all undertakings, bond, recognizances and other surety obligations. Such attorneys-in-fact, subject to the limitations set forth in their respective powers of attorney, shall have full power to bind the Corporation by their signature and execution of any such instruments and to attach thereto the seal of the Corporation. When so executed, such instruments shall be as binding as if signed by the President and attested to by the Secretary.

Any power or authority granted to any representative or attorney-in-fact under the provisions of this article may be revoked at any time by the Board, the Chairman, the President or by the officer or officers granting such power or authority.

This certificate and the above power of attorney may be signed by facsimile or mechanically reproduced signatures under and by authority of the following vote of the board of directors of The Ohio Casualty Insurance Company effective on the 15th day of February, 2011:

VOTED that the facsimile or mechanically reproduced signature of any assistant secretary of the company, wherever appearing upon a certified copy of any power of attorney issued by the company in connection with surety bonds, shall be valid and binding upon the company with the same force and effect as though manually affixed.

CERTIFICATE

I, the undersigned Assistant Secretary of The Ohio Casualty Insurance Company, do hereby certify that the foregoing power of attorney, the referenced By-Laws of the Company and the above resolution of their Board of Directors are true and correct copies and are in full force and effect on this date.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of the Company this 3rd day of July 2013



David M. Carey Assistant Secretary