

INDEMNITOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

DATE _____ BAIL AMOUNT \$ _____

DEFENDANT _____ PREMIUM AMOUNT \$ _____

JAIL _____ AMOUNT PAID DOWN \$ _____

BAIL BOND # _____ CASH COLLATERAL \$ _____

- _____ 1. I have read and received a copy of the standard Universal Fire & Casualty Insurance Company Indemnity Agreement for surety bail bond.
- _____ 2. This indemnitor acknowledgement is intended to clarify and explain the standard Universal Fire & Casualty Insurance Company documents for surety bail bond.
- _____ 3. I understand I am responsible to make the payments for money due on the premium as described above. Finance charges are computed on unpaid balances on the 30th day of each month at the rate of _____ percent per annum. There is a _____ percent late fee on all scheduled payments not received within five days of the due date. (Note: The insurance company is not a party to any premium financing. Any financial agreement is strictly between the bail agent/agency and indemnitor.)
- _____ 4. I understand I am required to pay the amount of the bail premium every year, where allowed by law, in advance hereafter, until the surety is legally discharged from all liability on the bonds posted.
- _____ 5. A forfeiture of the bail will be entered by the court if the defendant fails to make any court appearance. I understand that if the bond is ordered forfeited and it is not ordered reinstated, or exonerated within the time allowed by law, that I must pay the full amount of the bail forfeited plus expenses to the Surety or bail agent/agency.
- _____ 6. I understand I am responsible if it becomes necessary to arrest and surrender the defendant and that I am responsible for paying all reasonable costs incurred for locating, apprehending, transporting and surrendering the defendant to custody. Investigation costs will begin to accrue after court forfeiture or when any co-signer requests the defendant be placed back in custody or when any condition exists as defined in any of the bail bond agreements, which are incorporated herein by reference.
- _____ 7. I understand that if the bail is ordered forfeited by the court, that I am responsible to pay court costs and reasonable appearance or attorney's fees for the bail agent to reinstate or exonerate the bail bond if necessary.
- _____ 8. I understand that if I breach the bail bond agreement, by non payment or any other action as defined by the bail agreement, I am responsible for any costs related to the collection of amounts due, including attorneys fees and costs.
- _____ 9. I understand that my collateral cannot be released until all bonds posted on my behalf for defendant have been exonerated and written notice from the court received by the bail agency.
- _____ 10. I understand that substitution of collateral is done at the discretion of the surety and the bail bonding agency. There are no agreements to substitute collateral at a future date.
- _____ 11. I understand that it is my responsibility to request return of any collateral provided. Reasonable delays for return of collateral may be encountered as the bail agency researches the bond exoneration date and verifies the status of the bond with the appropriate courts. I further agree, it is my responsibility to obtain written verification from the court prior to requesting any collateral release.
- _____ 12. These acknowledgements are intended to provide an explanation of the standard Universal Fire & Casualty Insurance Company agreements for Surety Bail. I understand that this acknowledgement is intended to simplify my responsibilities. In the event of a conflict between the terms and conditions of this acknowledgement and specific bail contracts, the contract shall control.
- _____ 13. I declare that all statements made on the application are true. I agree to notify the bail agency, within 48 hours of any changes, including but not limited to any change of address, or employment of either myself or the criminal defendant.
- _____ 14. I understand the obligations under this agreement are joint and several. This means that I may be held solely and individually liable for up to the full amount owed for any and all charges, even if there are other cosigners on the agreement.
- _____ 15. Agreement of Venue: I agree that if legal action between the parties concerning this bail bond is brought, it shall be brought in and before a federal or state court in _____ and in the State of _____.

I HAVE READ, UNDERSTAND AND AGREE WITH THE ABOVE TERMS.

SIGNATURE: _____ SIGNATURE: _____

NAME (print): _____ NAME (print): _____

RECEIVED COPY: _____