



## Probate and Fiduciary Surety Application and Indemnity Agreement

Liberty Mutual Insurance Company ☐  
Ohio Casualty Insurance Company ☒  
West American Insurance Company ☐

Applicant's Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_ SSN or FEIN: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Driver's License No: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a U.S. Citizen? Yes ☐ No ☐ If No, what is your residency status? \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_ Years in business: \_\_\_\_\_ Annual Income: \_\_\_\_\_

### **Only complete this section when there are Co-Applicants**

Applicant's Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_ SSN or FEIN: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Driver's License No: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a U.S. Citizen? Yes ☐ No ☐ If No, what is your residency status? \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_ Years in business: \_\_\_\_\_ Annual Income: \_\_\_\_\_

Bond Amount: \_\_\_\_\_ Court where filed: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of appointment: \_\_\_\_\_ Case/Docket Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Estimated Assets: \_\_\_\_\_ Personal: \_\_\_\_\_ Realty: \_\_\_\_\_ Debts: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Attorney: \_\_\_\_\_

Attorney Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Will the attorney remain involved throughout the duration of the case? Yes ☐ No ☐

### **If the answer to any of the following questions is yes, complete Application Supplement — LMS-7465**

- 1) Has the applicant for this bond been declined by another Surety? Yes ☐ No ☐
- 2) Is the bond applied for intended to replace the bond of a prior Surety? Yes ☐ No ☐
- 3) Is the applicant replacing a prior Fiduciary? Yes ☐ No ☐
- 4) Is the applicant indebted to the estate? Yes ☐ No ☐
- 5) Is the bond being requested on the demand of an interested third party? Yes ☐ No ☐
- 6) Does the deceased/incompetent's estate include a business? Yes ☐ No ☐
- 7) Has the applicant ever been bankrupt or insolvent? Yes ☐ No ☐
- 8) Does the applicant have any outstanding lawsuits, judgment, or liens? Yes ☐ No ☐

### **Administrator or Executor Bonds**

Type of Bond Required: ☐ Administrator ☐ Executor ☐ Personal Representative ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Deceased: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Death: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's Relationship to Deceased: \_\_\_\_\_ Number of Heirs: \_\_\_\_\_

Are there any disputes among the heirs? Yes ☐ No ☐

Did Decedent execute a Last Will and Testament? Yes ☐ No ☐

### **Guardian, Conservator or Trustee Bonds**

Type of Bond: ☐ Guardian of Minor ☐ Guardian of Incompetent ☐ Conservator ☐ Trustee (attach a copy of trust)

Name of Ward: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's Relationship to Ward or Minor(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Will joint control be exercised? Yes ☐ No ☐

Will a Supplemental Needs Trust be created? (If so, attach copy of the Trust) Yes ☐ No ☐

## Indemnity Agreement

The undersigned (collectively "Indemnitor") represents that all statements made in this Application and in any Application Supplement are true and made without reservation to induce Liberty Mutual Insurance Company and any other company that is part of or added to the Liberty Mutual Group, severally not jointly, and/or for which surety business is underwritten by Liberty Mutual Surety ("Surety") to extend surety credit in any manner or amount, including but not limited to providing or having provided requested Bond(s) including any modifications thereto in reliance upon the provision of its indemnity, and with regard to such surety credit hereby agrees with Surety, its successors and assigns, as follows: (1) to pay premiums when due; (2) to deliver evidence satisfactory to Surety, of the release of all liability; (3) to exonerate and indemnify Surety from and against all claims, losses, liability, damages of any type (including punitive), costs, fees, expenses, suits, orders, judgments, or adjudications whatsoever which Surety may incur in any manner related to the extension of surety credit, including the enforcement of the agreements contained herein and any matter subject to any bankruptcy court (collectively "LOSS"); (4) That Surety shall have the right, at its sole discretion, to pay, adjust, settle or compromise any LOSS and the voucher or other evidence of such payment, settlement or compromise, whether Surety was liable therefore or not, shall be prima facie evidence of the fact and extent of Indemnitor's liability; (5) to place Surety in funds immediately upon demand, the amount Surety deems necessary to protect itself from any LOSS or potential LOSS, whether or not Surety has made payment or posted a reserve, Surety having the right to use all or part of these funds in payment or settlement of any LOSS or in reimbursement to Surety for payment of same; (6) that Indemnitor hereby authorizes Surety to investigate statements made herein, **and to obtain credit report information from credit reporting sources/bureaus** and to check credit with creditors and/or lending institutions, and further authorizes any present or former employer or any other person, firm or corporation, to furnish information concerning Indemnitor in connection with the Surety's extension of surety credit and with Indemnitor's compliance with obligations hereunder and under any Bond or underlying obligation, and Indemnitor hereby releases any of the aforementioned from liability in consequence of furnishing or disclosing such information; (7) that Surety may bring separate suits to recover hereunder as causes of action shall accrue and that the bringing of suit or recovery of judgment upon any cause of action shall not prejudice or bar the bringing of other suits upon other causes of action, whether heretofore or thereafter arising; (8) that and all other rights which Surety may have or acquire against Indemnitor under other or additional agreements of indemnity or any other written agreement (with this Agreement collectively "INDEMNITY") related to the extension of surety credit, shall be in addition to and not in lieu of the rights afforded Surety under this Agreement; (9) that if Surety executes any Bond(s) with any cosurety or reinsures all or any part of any Bond(s), that all the terms of this Agreement shall apply and operate for the benefit of such cosurety and reinsurer, as their interests may appear; (10) that these covenants shall be jointly and severally binding upon Indemnitor, its respective heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns; (11) that Surety shall have the right to decline to issue or to cancel Bond(s) at any time, free of claim for loss or damage by Indemnitor, and Surety shall be under no obligation to disclose its reasons therefore, the provisions of any law to the contrary being hereby waived; (12) that the exercise, delay of or failure by Surety to exercise of any right, remedy or power whatsoever shall not preclude Surety's simultaneous or subsequent exercise or constitute any waiver of such or other rights, remedies or powers; (13) that if any Bond(s) relate to the assets of an estate, Indemnitor will provide reasonable access to all records concerning the estate and upon request shall provide a written report of the condition of the estate. Furthermore, Indemnitor grants, assigns, pledges and conveys to Surety as security, a lien on and security interest in and to Indemnitor's interest, title and rights in the proceeds of any insurance policy affording coverage for all or part of any bonded obligation, and in the contracts or obligations (and all proceeds thereof without limitation) that grow in any manner whatsoever as a result of the extension of surety credit. While the lien and security interests are effective immediately, Surety may exercise its remedies with respect to such only in the event of: a) Indemnitor's failure to fulfill any obligation whatsoever for which i) Bond(s) are provided, ii) contained in any Bond(s), or iii) contained within any INDEMNITY agreement with the Surety; and b) any assignment by Indemnitor for the benefit of creditors or any agreement or proceeding of liquidation, receivership or bankruptcy whatsoever. Indemnitor hereby authorizes Surety to file any such financing statement as Surety deems necessary or appropriate to perfect the liens and security interest granted herein.

**INDEMNITORS ACKNOWLEDGE AND AGREE THAT: THE FIRST YEAR PREMIUM IS FULLY-EARNED WHEN THE BOND IS ISSUED EVEN IF THE BOND IS SUBSEQUENTLY REDUCED OR TERMINATED DURING THE FIRST YEAR. IF A BOND IS REDUCED OR TERMINATED DURING THE SECOND OR SUBSEQUENT YEAR AFTER A RENEWAL PREMIUM IS PAID, THE RENEWAL PREMIUM SHALL BE ADJUSTED PRO RATA UPON REDUCTION OR TERMINATION.**

Signed and dated this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant/Indemnitor Signature

Applicant/Indemnitor Signature

Typed or Printed Name

Typed or Printed Name

Phone Number

Phone Number

E-mail

E-mail

**Agency Name:** E. R. Munro and Company

**Agent Name:** E. R. Munro and Company Bond Department

**Agency Telephone:** (877) 376-8676

**Agency Address:** One Gateway Center, Suite 400, 420 Fort Duquesne Blvd Pittsburgh, PA 15222-1460

**Email:** bonds@ermunro.com

## ESTATE BOND QUESTIONNAIRE

Please complete all applicable questions or call our office at 877-376-8676 to discuss. Submit this form with your completed Probate and Fiduciary Surety Application.

**Approval of the bond is dependent upon the circumstances and the results of a mandatory credit review.** Additional information and documentation may be requested. Providing copies of relevant court documents, will, and/or renunciations with your application can expedite the underwriting process.

1. Is the Applicant a member of the Decedent's family or the family's attorney?  
☐ Yes ☐ No  
If not, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_
2. Is the Estate being opened for litigation purposes? ☐ Yes ☐ No  
If so, please answer the following:
  - a. Will the Estate be the Plaintiff? ☐ Yes ☐ No  
If so, what is the anticipated or typical settlement that may be awarded to the Estate should the litigation be successful? \$\_\_\_\_\_
  - b. Will a different attorney be handling the litigation? ☐ Yes ☐ No  
If so, please specify:  
Attorney handling Estate: \_\_\_\_\_  
Office address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Attorney handling litigation: \_\_\_\_\_  
Office address: \_\_\_\_\_
  - c. Please describe the circumstances of the litigation:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
  - d. What is the length of time expected to complete the litigation? \_\_\_\_\_
3. If there is a Will:
  - a. Is the Applicant named as Executor? ☐ Yes ☐ No  
If not, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Have the other heirs and named Executor signed renunciations in favor of the Applicant? ☐ Yes ☐ No  
If not, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
  - b. Is there any question or dispute over the validity of the Will? ☐ Yes ☐ No  
If so, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
4. If there is not a Will:
  - a. Is the Applicant an heir to the Estate? ☐ Yes ☐ No
  - b. Have all other heirs signed renunciations in favor of the Applicant? ☐ Yes ☐ No  
If not, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_  
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