

**MERCHANTS**  
**BONDING COMPANY**<sup>TM</sup>

MERCHANTS BONDING COMPANY (MUTUAL) P.O. BOX 14498, DES MOINES, IA 50306-3498  
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**TEXAS OFFICIAL BOND AND OATH**  
**FOR JUSTICE OF THE PEACE**  
**PRECINCT # #5**

THE STATE OF TEXAS

County of Hidalgo County

Bond No. TX5115541

KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS:

That we, Jason Pena, as Principal, and the MERCHANTS BONDING COMPANY (Mutual), a corporation duly licensed to do business in the State of Texas, as Surety, are held and firmly bound unto the County Judge of the County of Hidalgo County, State of Texas, his/her successors in office, in the sum of Five Thousand (\$5,000.00).

THE CONDITION OF THE ABOVE OBLIGATION is such, that, whereas, the above bounden Principal was on the 19th day of December, 2017, duly Appointed to the office of Justice of the Peace in and for Hidalgo County County in the State of Texas, for a term commencing on the 19th day of December, 2017 and expiring on the 1st day of January, 2019.

Now, therefore, if the said Principal shall faithfully and impartially discharge the duties required by law and promptly pay to the entitled party all money that comes into his/her hands during the term of office, then this obligation to be void, otherwise to remain in full force and effect.

PROVIDED, HOWEVER, that regardless of the number of years this bond may remain in force and the number of claims which may be made against this bond, the liability of the Surety shall not be cumulative and the aggregate liability of the Surety for any and all claims, suits, or actions under this bond shall not exceed the amount stated above. Any revision of the bond amount shall not be cumulative.

PROVIDED, FURTHER, that this bond may be canceled by the Surety by sending written notice to the party to whom this bond is payable stating that, not less than thirty (30) days thereafter, the Surety's liability hereunder shall terminate as to subsequent acts of the Principal.

Dated this 19th day of December, 2017.

Jason Pena  
Principal

By: Jason Pena  
Merchants Bonding Company (Mutual)  
By: Ramon Montalvo III  
Ramon Montalvo III Attorney-in-Fact

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF PRINCIPAL**

THE STATE OF TEXAS

County of \_\_\_\_\_

Before me, \_\_\_\_\_, a notary public, on this day personally appeared Jason Pena known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged to me that he/she executed the same for the purposes and consideration therein expressed.

Given under my hand and seal of office, at \_\_\_\_\_  
this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_.

OATH OF OFFICE  
(General)

I, \_\_\_\_\_, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will faithfully execute the duties of the office of \_\_\_\_\_ of the State of Texas, and will to the best of my ability preserve, protect, and defend the Constitution and laws of the United States and of this State; and I furthermore solemnly swear (or affirm) that I have not directly nor indirectly paid, offered, or promised to pay, contributed, nor promised to contribute any money, or valuable thing, or promised any public office or employment, as a reward for the giving or withholding a vote at the election at which I was elected. So help me God.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Sworn to and subscribed before me at \_\_\_\_\_, Texas, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_

SEAL

\_\_\_\_\_ County, Texas

THE STATE OF TEXAS }  
County of \_\_\_\_\_ } ss

The foregoing bond of \_\_\_\_\_ as \_\_\_\_\_ in and for \_\_\_\_\_ County and State of Texas, this day approved in open Commissioner's Court.

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ Clerk \_\_\_\_\_ County Judge,  
County Court \_\_\_\_\_ County \_\_\_\_\_ County, Texas

THE STATE OF TEXAS }  
County of \_\_\_\_\_ } ss

I, \_\_\_\_\_, County Clerk, in and for said County, do hereby certify that the foregoing Bond dated the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, with its certificates of authentication, was filed for record in my office the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock \_\_\_\_\_ M., and duly recorded the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock \_\_\_\_\_ M., in the Records of Official Bonds of said County in Volume \_\_\_\_\_, on page \_\_\_\_\_.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of the County Court of said County, at office in \_\_\_\_\_, Texas, the day and year last above written.

\_\_\_\_\_ Clerk

By \_\_\_\_\_ Deputy County Court \_\_\_\_\_ County

**MERCHANTS**  
**BONDING COMPANY**<sup>TM</sup>  
**POWER OF ATTORNEY**

Know All Persons By These Presents, that MERCHANTS BONDING COMPANY (MUTUAL) and MERCHANTS NATIONAL BONDING, INC., both being corporations of the State of Iowa (herein collectively called the "Companies") do hereby make, constitute and appoint, individually,

**Ramon Montalvo III**

their true and lawful Attorney(s)-in-Fact, to sign its name as surety(ies) and to execute, seal and acknowledge any and all bonds, undertakings, contracts and other written instruments in the nature thereof, on behalf of the Companies in their business of guaranteeing the fidelity of persons, guaranteeing the performance of contracts and executing or guaranteeing bonds and undertakings required or permitted in any actions or proceedings allowed by law.

This Power-of-Attorney is granted and is signed and sealed by facsimile under and by authority of the following By-Laws adopted by the Board of Directors of Merchants Bonding Company (Mutual) on April 23, 2011 and amended August 14, 2015 and adopted by the Board of Directors of Merchants National Bonding, Inc., on October 16, 2015.

"The President, Secretary, Treasurer, or any Assistant Treasurer or any Assistant Secretary or any Vice President shall have power and authority to appoint Attorneys-in-Fact, and to authorize them to execute on behalf of the Company, and attach the seal of the Company thereto, bonds and undertakings, recognizances, contracts of indemnity and other writings obligatory in the nature thereof."

"The signature of any authorized officer and the seal of the Company may be affixed by facsimile or electronic transmission to any Power of Attorney or Certification thereof authorizing the execution and delivery of any bond, undertaking, recognizance, or other suretyship obligations of the Company, and such signature and seal when so used shall have the same force and effect as though manually fixed."

In connection with obligations in favor of the Florida Department of Transportation only, it is agreed that the power and authority hereby given to the Attorney-in-Fact includes any and all consents for the release of retained percentages and/or final estimates on engineering and construction contracts required by the State of Florida Department of Transportation. It is fully understood that consenting to the State of Florida Department of Transportation making payment of the final estimate to the Contractor and/or its assignee, shall not relieve this surety company of any of its obligations under its bond.

In connection with obligations in favor of the Kentucky Department of Highways only, it is agreed that the power and authority hereby given to the Attorney-in-Fact cannot be modified or revoked unless prior written personal notice of such intent has been given to the Commissioner-Department of Highways of the Commonwealth of Kentucky at least thirty (30) days prior to the modification or revocation.

In Witness Whereof, the Companies have caused this instrument to be signed and sealed this 19th day of December, 2017.

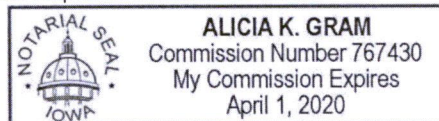


MERCHANTS BONDING COMPANY (MUTUAL)  
MERCHANTS NATIONAL BONDING, INC.

By *Larry Taylor*  
President

STATE OF IOWA  
COUNTY OF DALLAS ss.

On this this 19th day of December, 2017, before me appeared Larry Taylor, to me personally known, who being by me duly sworn did say that he is President of MERCHANTS BONDING COMPANY (MUTUAL) and MERCHANTS NATIONAL BONDING, INC.; and that the seals affixed to the foregoing instrument are the Corporate Seals of the Companies; and that the said instrument was signed and sealed in behalf of the Companies by authority of their respective Boards of Directors.



*Alicia K. Gram*

Notary Public

(Expiration of notary's commission does not invalidate this instrument)

I, William Warner, Jr., Secretary of MERCHANTS BONDING COMPANY (MUTUAL) and MERCHANTS NATIONAL BONDING, INC., do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the POWER-OF-ATTORNEY executed by said Companies, which is still in full force and effect and has not been amended or revoked.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Companies on this 19th day of December, 2017.



*William Warner Jr.*

Secretary

**Montalvo Insurance Agency**

208 South Texas Blvd  
 PO Box 2  
 Weslaco, TX 78599

Hidalgo County  
 P O Box 1356  
 Edinburg, TX 78540

**INVOICE**

Customer	Pena, Jason
Acct #	3674
Date	12/19/2017
Customer Service	Ramon Montalvo San Juanita Palacios
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Payment Information	
Invoice Summary	\$ 50.00
Payment Amount	
Payment for:	Invoice#58125
TX5115541	

Thank You

Please detach and return with payment



Customer: Pena, Jason

Invoice	Effective	Transaction	Description	Amount
58125	12/19/2017	New business	Policy #TX5115541 12/19/2017-01/01/2019 Merchants Bonding Company Public Official Bond - New business <i>12/19/17                      [Signature]</i>	50.00

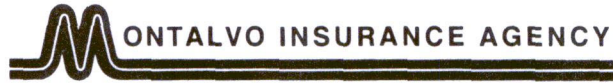
<b>Total</b>	
\$	50.00

Thank You

Montalvo Insurance Agency  
 208 South Texas Blvd PO Box 2  
 Weslaco, TX 78599

(956)968-5521

<b>Date</b>
12/19/2017



208 SOUTH TEXAS BOULEVARD  
POST OFFICE BOX 2 • WESLACO, TEXAS 78596  
Phone (956) 968-5521

December 19, 2017

Jason Pena  
P O Box 945  
Elsa, TX 78543

Re: Public Official Bond

Dear Mr. Pena

Enclosed is Public Official Bond, application and invoice.

To fully execute this bond the following is required:

1. Completed and signed application.
2. Bond requires your signature where indicated as Principal. Acknowledgement and Oath of Office requires to be completed, signed And Notarized.
3. Original bond is filed with the Obligee. *(Judge office)*
4. Please provide completed, signed application and copy of the executed bond to our office. ~~Check for \$50.00 payable to Montalvo Insurance Agency.~~

Please call if you have any questions.

Thank you,

*San Juanita P*  
San Juanita Palacios