General Instructions for License and Permit Bonds Requirements

<u>Completed Application</u> – Please forward via fax or email a copy of the fully executed bond application to The Bar Plan.

<u>Financials</u> – If applicant is a business, please submit a copy of its audited financials. We will review the audited financials to determine if the collateral requirement can be waived. If applicant is an individual, full collateral is required.

<u>Collateral</u> –When collateral is deemed necessary, a Letter of Credit (Sample Letter of Credit form attached is the format the Bank must follow) from a bank pre-approved by The Bar Plan is required. The amount of collateral required must be equal to the bond amount plus the additional fee as stated below:

Bond Amount

Additional Fee added to collateral

Up to \$50,000 An additional \$1,000 \$50,001 - \$250,000 An additional \$5,000 \$250,001 - \$500,000 An additional \$10,000 \$500,001 and up An additional 5% of the bond penalty

Please feel free to mail, fax or e-mail all required information to:

The Bond Department 1717 Hidden Creek Court St. Louis, Missouri 63131 Fax 888 658-6761 bonds@thebarplan.com

*If you wish to pay the bond premium via credit card, please call The Bar Plan at 877-553-6376 or visit www.thebarplan.com and click on the Pay Online link.

The Bar Plan Surety and Fidelity Company **The Bar Plan Mutual Insurance Company**

1717 Hidden Creek Court, St. Louis, Missouri 63131, (314) 965-3333, Fax (314) 965-7812 or Toll Free 877-553-6376, Fax (888) 658-6761

License and Permit Bond Application Please print legibly or type

If applicant is a Company

			
Name of applicant:			
	(must appear exactly as it is to appear on bond)		
Address:	Phone #		
City/State/Zip			
Company Tax ID#			
Name & Address of Obligee: (To whom will the bond be given?)			
Describe Type of Business			
Individual LLC/LLP Partnership Corporation			
If a corporation, State of Incorporation Date incorporated			
If corporation or partnership number of	of partners or stockholders		
(complete Section below for ea	ach partner or stockholder with over 10% of interest)		
Personal Indemnitor for Company above			
Name of Personal Indemnitor			
(Mr./Mrs./Ms.) First Name	Middle Initial Last Name		
A/K/A or Alias Name:			
Social Security #:	Birth Date:		
•	ent?: Other:		
Are you currently employed?:			
Employer:			
Position/If retired, previous position:			
If self employed, explain nature of bus	siness		
Address of Employer:			
City: St:	ate: Zip:		
Length of employment/ownership:			
Have you ever been convicted or pled guilty to a felony?			
If yes, please explain:			
Have you filed for personal bankrupto	v?: If ves. when?:		

Provide the name of all banks at which you hold accounts.:				
Marital Status:				
Spouse's Name:				
Spouse's Date of Birth: Spouse's Social Security #:				
Have you, your spouse or company ever:				
Failed in any business venture?				
Been a principal or indemnitor on a bond which a claim was brought? Yes No				
Subject to a federal or state lien?				
Are you a guarantor for a third party liability? Yes No				
Are any of your assets in a Trust? Yes No				
(If you answered Yes to any of the above, please attach a detailed explanation)				
ype of Bond Requested: Bond Amount				
Has applicant given bond in this matter before? Yes No . If "Yes", give full				
particulars:				
Name of Present or Prior Surety if applicable:				
Do you understand the first year's bond premium is not refundable? Yes No Do you understand the bond premium is to be paid annually? Yes No				

Attorney Information

Attorney for Principal:				
Law Firm Name:				
Address:				
City: Sta	te: Zip:			
Phone No.	Fax No.			
E-Mail Address:				
How did you hear about our bond program?	Please circle one choice below:			
Print Ad				
Direct Mailer				
Conferences/Seminar				
Internet/Banner				
Prior Use				
Delivery MethodRegular Mail or O	vernight (at the cost of the client)			
Overnight Acct #				
Registered Agent Name:				
Registered Agent Address:				
City: Stat	e: Zip:			
Agent/Broker Information				
Name of Insurance Agent/Broker:				
Name of Insurance Agency:				
Agent/Broker/Agency Address:				
	itate: Zip:			
Phone number:	Fax No.:			
E-Mail Address:				
SS# or FEIN for Payee	Agent/Broker License #:			
Are you paying fees to a subproducer? If Yes, complete supplemental application.				

Note to Agent, Broker and/or Agency: Please submit a current copy of your Agent, Broker and Agency License with Application.

Note: If the application is not completed in its entirety, it may cause delay in issuing the bond.

Anti-Fraud Notice

The following disclaimer applies only to applicants in the states of Washington and Florida.

"Any person who knowingly and with intent to injure, defraud, or deceive any insurer files a statement of claim <u>or an application</u> containing any false, incomplete, or misleading information is guilty of a felony of third degree."

Anti-Fraud Warning

Applicable to Maine, Tennessee and Virginia Applicants only

"It is a crime to knowingly provide false, incomplete or misleading information to an insurance company for the purpose of defrauding the company. Penalties include imprisonment, fines and denial of insurance benefits".

Anti-Fraud Warning Applicable to New York Applicants only

"Any person who knowingly and with intent to defraud any insurance company or other person files an application for insurance or statement of claim containing any materially false information, or conceals for the purpose of misleading information concerning any fact material thereto, commits a fraudulent insurance act, which is a crime and shall also be subject to a civil penalty not to exceed five thousand dollars and the stated value of the claim for each such violation."

Anti-Fraud Notice Applicable to Kentucky Applicants Only

"Any person who knowingly and with intent to defraud any insurance company or other person files an application for insurance containing any materially false information, or conceals for the purpose of misleading information concerning any fact material thereto, commits a fraudulent insurance act, which is a crime."

Anti-Fraud Notice Applicable to Ohio Applicants Only

"Any person who, with intent to defraud or knowing that he is facilitating a fraud against an insurer, submits an application or files a claim containing a false or deceptive statement is guilty of insurance fraud."

Anti-Fraud Notice

Applicable to New Mexico, West Virginia, Rhode Island and Louisiana Applicants Only

"Any person who knowingly presents a false or fraudulent claim for payment of a loss or benefit or knowingly presents false information in an application for insurance is guilty of a crime and may be subject to fines and confinement in prison."

Anti-Fraud Notice Applicable to DC Applicants Only

"WARNING! It is a crime to provide false or misleading information to an insurer for the purpose of defrauding the insurer or any other person. Penalties include imprisonment and/or fines. In addition, an insurer may deny insurance benefits if false information materially related to a claim was provided by the applicant."

Anti-Fraud Notice Applicable to Indiana Applicants Only

"Any person who knowingly, and with intent to defraud an insurer, files a statement of claim containing false presents, incomplete or misleading information commits a felony."

Anti-Fraud Notice Applicable to Hawaii Applicants Only

"For your protection, Hawaii law requires you to be informed that presenting a fraudulent claim for payment of a loss or benefit is a crime punishable by fines or imprisonment or both."

Anti-Fraud Notice Applicable to New Jersey Applicants Only

"Any person who includes any false or misleading information on an application for an insurance policy is subject to criminal and civil penalties."

Anti-Fraud Notice Applicable to Pennsylvania Applicants Only

"Any person who knowingly and with intent to defraud any insurance company or other person files an application for insurance or statement of claim containing any materially false information or conceals for the purpose of misleading, information concerning any fact material thereto commits a fraudulent insurance act, which is a crime and subjects such person to criminal and civil penalties."

Anti-Fraud Notice Applicable to Oklahoma Applicants Only

"WARNING! Any person who knowingly, and with intent to injure, defraud or deceive any insurer, makes any claim for the proceeds of an insurance policy containing any false, incomplete or misleading information is guilty of a felony."

Anti-Fraud Notice Applicable to Colorado Applicants Only

"It is unlawful to knowingly provide false, incomplete or misleading facts or information to an insurance company for the purpose of defrauding or attempting to defraud the company. Penalties may include imprisonment, fines, denial of insurance and civil damages. Any insurance company or agent of an insurance company who knowingly provides false, incomplete or misleading facts or information to a policyholder or claimant for the purpose of defrauding or attempting to defraud the policyholder or claimant with regard to a settlement or award payable from insurance proceeds shall be reported to the Colorado division of insurance within the department of regulatory agencies."

Anti-Fraud Notice Applicable to Maryland Applicants Only

"Any person who knowingly and willfully presents a false or fraudulent claim for payment of a loss or benefit or who knowingly and willfully presents false information in an application for insurance is guilty of a crime and may be subject to fines and confinement in prison."

Anti-Fraud Notice Applicable to Alabama Applicants Only

"Any person who knowingly presents a false or fraudulent claim for payment of a loss or benefit or who knowingly presents false information in an application for insurance is guilty of a crime and may be subject to restitution fines and confinement in prison, or any combination thereof."

AGREEMENT OF INDEMNITY-PLEASE READ CAREFULLY MUST EXECUTE AND FAX BACK PRIOR TO ISSUANCE

In consideration of the execution by The Bar Plan Surety and Fidelity Company or The Bar Plan Mutual Insurance Company, St. Louis, Missouri (whichever issues or continues said bond being hereinafter called "Company"), of the bond herein applied for, I hereby agree:

- 1. If a claim or demand for performance of any obligation under any Bond is made against Surety, the undersigned shall immediately upon demand deposit with Surety, United States legal currency or cashier's check, as collateral security, in an amount equal to the reserves posted by Surety with respect to such claim(s) or potential claim(s) plus any expense or attorneys' fees. Specific performance of this paragraph shall be a remedy available to Surety.
- 2. To pay to the Company the premium for the bond in accordance with the rates filed by the Company in the State where the bond shall be filed and further agree to pay annually in advance thereafter the annual renewal charges which are due and to continue to pay such renewal premium charges which shall be due until satisfactory evidence of the release of the Company from all liability under the bond shall have been furnished to the Company, it being understood the usual evidence required is a release from the court signed by the presiding judge specifically releasing the surety from further liability.
- 3. To indemnify the Company against all loss, liability, costs, damages, attorney's fees and expenses whatever, which the Company may sustain or incur by reason or in consequence of having executed said bond and in enforcing any of the agreements herein contained.
- 4. The Company shall have the right, and is hereby authorized but not required, to adjust, settle, or compromise any claim, demand, suit, or judgment upon said bond unless the undersigned shall request the Company to litigate such claim or demand or defend such suit or to appeal from such judgment, and if the undersigned makes such request the undersigned shall deposit with the Company collateral satisfactory to the Company in kind and amount.
- 5. This Agreement is an instrument executed under seal and will be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Missouri. The Company shall have the right to institute any action for collection of any amounts due under this Agreement against Undersigned in the Circuit Court of St. Louis County, Missouri. The Company shall have the right to give notice or to serve process on the Undersigned for the purpose of pursuing any and all remedies against Undersigned in said court. The Undersigned explicitly consents to the jurisdiction and venue of said court. The Undersigned agrees to accept personal service of process with respect to any legal action filed to collect any amounts due under this Agreement.
- 6. The Company shall have the absolute right to procure its release from said bond under any law for the release of sureties, and the Company is hereby released of and from any damages that may be sustained by me by reason of such release.
- 7. At any time, and until such time as the liability of the Company is terminated, the Company shall have the right to reasonable access to the books, records, and accounts of the applicant and estate and any bank depository, or other person, firm, or corporation is hereby authorized to furnish the Company any information requested.
- 8. The above agreements shall bind me and my heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns, jointly and severally.
- 9. Applicant(s) hereby expressly authorize The Bar Plan Mutual Insurance Company or The Bar Plan Surety and Fidelity Company to access his/her/its credit records and to make such pertinent inquiries as may be necessary from third party sources for the following purposes: (a) to verify information supplied to Company; (b) for underwriting purposes; and (c) upon receipt of a notice of claim or potential claim, for debt collection.

DISCLOSURE TO APPLICANT given pursuant to the Fair Credit Reporting Act. You are hereby notified that an investigative consumer report including information as to character, general reputation, personal characteristics and mode of living may be obtained by the Company. Upon written request additional information as to the nature and scope of the report, if one is made, will be provided.

Signed, Sealed and Dated this day	y of
Witness	Applicant
Printed Name	Printed Name
Witness	Applicant
Printed Name	Printed Name
individually. All stockholders of 10%	e president must sign as authorized representative and or more and spouses must sign. thorized partner must sign as the authorized representative
If Applicant is a sole owner , app representative and individually.	licant and applicant spouse must sign as the authorized
If Applicant is a limited liability cor representative and individually. All m	mpany , the managing member must sign as the authorized nembers and spouses must sign.
Partnerships:	
Name of Partnership:	
Witness	As Individual and as Partner
Witness	As Individual and as Partner
Witness	As Individual and as Partner
Witness	As Individual and as Partner

Corporations:	
Name of Corporation:	
Attest:	By:
	as President of
	Print Name:
Corporate Seal:	
Licensed Agent, Broker and/or Agency	Issuing Bond