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POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS. That AMWEST SURETY INSURANCE COMPANY, A CALIFORNIA COR PORATION does hereby make, constitute and appoint

ANTOINETTE CASTRO DBA: VALLEY BAIL BONDS

its true and lawful Attorney(s)-in-Fact, with full power and authority for and on behalf of the company as surety, to execute and deliver and affix the seal of the company thereto if a seal is required, bonds, undertakings, recognizances or other written obligations in the nature thereof, as follows:

Bail Bonds up to \$50,000.00 and to bind AMWEST SURETY INSURANCE COMPANY thereby, and all of the acts of said Attorneys-in-Fact, pursuant to these presents, are hereby ratified and confirmed. This appointment is made under and by authority of the following provisions of the By-Laws of the company, which are now in full force and effect:

Article III, Section 7 of the By-Laws of AMWEST SURETY INSURANCE COMPANY

This Power of Attorney is signed and sealed by facsimile under and by the authority of the following resolutions adopted by the board of directors of AMWEST SURETY INSURANCE COMPANY at a meeting duly held on December 15, 1975.

RESOLVED that the president or any vice-president, in conjunction with the secretary or any assistant secretary, may appoint attorneys-in fact or agents with authority as defined or limited in the instrument evidencing the appointment in each case, for and on behalf of the company to execute and deliver and affix the seal of the company to bonds, undertakings, recognizances, and suretyship obligations of all kinds; and said officers may remove any such attorney-in-fact or agent and revoke any power of attorney previously granted to such person.

RESOLVED FURTHER that any bond, undertaking, recognizance, or suretyship obligation shall be valid and binding upon the company

- (i) when signed by the president or any vice-president and attested and sealed (if a seal be required) by any secretary or assistant secretary; or
- (ii) when signed by the president or any vice-president or secretary or assistant secretary, and countersigned and sealed (if a seal be required) by a duly authorized attorney-in-fact or agent; or
- (iii) when duly executed and sealed (if a seal be required) by one or more attorneys-in-fact or agents pursuant to and within the limits of the authority evidenced by the power of attorney issued by the company to such person or persons.

RESOLVED FURTHER that the signature of any authorized officer and the seal of the company may be affixed by facsimile 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 th	ough manually affixed.
IN WITNESS WHEREOF AMWEST SUBETY INSU	RANCE COMPANY has caused these presents to be signed by its
proper officer, and its corporate seal to be hereunto affixed t	
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	personally came before me <u>Gary R. Peterson</u>
PANY, CALIFORNIA who executed the above instrument, a by me duly sworn, did severally depose and say: that they a	dividuals and officers of AMWEST SURETY INSURANCE COM- ind they each acknowledged the execution of the same, and being are the said officers of the corporation aforesaid, and that the seal in, and that said corporate seal and their signatures as such officers the authority of the board of directors of said corporation.
OFFICIAL SEAL AVIS M. WARD NOTARY PUBLIC — CALIFORNIA PRINCIPAL OFFICE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY My Commission Expires May 8, 1989	Avis M. Ward Notary Public
STATE OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES –	
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secretary of the AMWEST SURETY INSURANCE COMPANY, a California corporation, l, the undersigned, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing and attached Power of Attorney remains in full force and has not been revoked; and furthermore, that the provisions of the By-Laws of the company and the Resolutions of the board of directors set forth in the Power of Attorney, are now in force.

Signed and sealed at Woodland Hills, CA July this 11th day of

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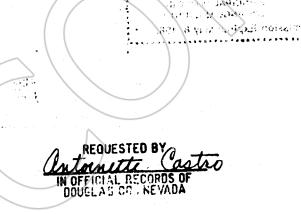


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