

Wichita County Bail Bond Board

Individual Bondsman Application

Company Name: _____

Individual: _____

Date Received: _____

WICHITA COUNTY BAIL BOND BOARD
WICHITA COUNTY COURTHOUSE
WICHITA FALLS, TEXAS

APPLICATION FOR INDIVIDUAL BONDSMAN'S LICENSE

_____ Original License Application

_____ Renewal License Application

I. INFORMATION:

1. Name of Applicant: _____

2. Age: _____

3. Are you a resident of the State of Texas? Yes: _____ No: _____

4. Are you a citizen of the United States? Yes: _____ No: _____

5. Business Address: _____

6. Business Telephone: _____

7. Home Address: _____

8. Is Applicant married? Yes: _____ No: _____

9. Spouse's name, age and address: _____

10. Business Name: _____

11. List all addresses and telephone numbers where the business will be conducted: _____

12. List each county in which the Applicant is or has been licensed as a bondsman: _____

13. How long has Applicant been engaged in the bonding business either as a licensee or employee of a bonding business? _____

14. Has Applicant or any of Applicant's Employees or Agents been convicted of a Felony Offense or of a Misdemeanor involving moral turpitude in any court in this State or any other State or of the Federal Government? Yes: _____ No: _____

If yes, give the date of conviction, name of person convicted, name of offense, the location of the offense and of the convicting court (city and state), and disposition of the offense: _____

15. On how many bonds do you appear as surety at this time? _____

16. Does Applicant have any unsatisfied Judgements pending against them as surety on a bail bond at this time? Yes: _____ No: _____

If yes, provide the following information on each Judgement:

County	Cause Number	Date	Bond Amount	Defendant's Name

(Add Additional Sheets if necessary)

17. How many bond forfeiture proceedings are currently pending against Applicant? If any bond forfeiture proceedings are pending against Applicant, provide the following information on each proceeding:

County	Cause Number	Date	Bond Amount	Defendant's Name

(Add Additional Sheets if necessary)

18. Is Applicant involved in any civil litigation (other than bond forfeiture proceedings) at this time? Yes: _____ No: _____

If yes, provide the date of filing of such suit, party names, court in which the suit is pending and a brief description of the nature of the litigation: _____

19. If this is a renewal application, how many years has the bondsman held this license? _____ years

20. If this is a renewal application, is the bondsman seeking to renew his or her license for two years or three years? See Texas Occupations Code § 1704.162.

Two Years: _____ Three Years: _____

II. SECURITY: NOTE: An initial deposit of collateral (Minimum of \$50,000) must be either real estate OR some statutorily permitted cash equivalent - NOT SOME COMBINATION OF BOTH. See Tex. Att'y Gen Op. JM-975 (1988).

1. Real Estate:

The following is a list of non-exempt real estate owned by the Applicant that the Applicant intends to convey in trust to the Board to secure payment of any obligations incurred by the Applicant in the bonding business if this application is granted:

A. Legal Property Description: _____

B. Current Net Value of Property: \$ _____

C. Are there any Tax Liens against this Property? Yes: _____ No: _____

D. Is the property mortgaged or encumbered in any manner? Yes: _____ No: _____

If the property is mortgaged or encumbered, provide the date, type, and amount of mortgage or encumbrance: _____

E. If the Applicant is married, does Applicant's spouse agree to transfer his or her right, title, and interest in such real estate to the Board as security? Yes: _____ No: _____

F. Does any other person or entity own an interest in such real estate? Yes: _____ No: _____

If yes, provide the details of such interest: _____

(Repeat for each property to be transferred to the Bail Bond Board as security)

2. Cash

A. What amount of cash or cash value of any certificate of deposit or cashier's checks does the Applicant intend to deposit with the County Treasurer to secure payment of any obligation incurred by the Applicant in the bonding business if the license is granted?

\$ _____

B. In what form will the deposit be made?

Cash: _____ Certificate of Deposit: _____ Cashier's Check: _____

III. DECLARATIONS:

Applicant will make the following written declarations in their Application to the Bail Bond Board:

1. I will comply with and abide with Chapter 1704 of the Occupations Code, the Wichita County Bail Bond Board By-Laws, and all rules prescribed by the Wichita County Bail Bond Board. _____

2. If I have listed real estate to be conveyed in trust to the Board under Article II, Section 1 of this application; I promise with respect to this property: _____

A. I will keep all taxes paid on such property while it remains in trust.

B. I will not further encumber the property after conveying it in trust to the Wichita County Bail Bond Board without notifying and obtaining the permission of the Board.

C. I will insure and keep current the insurance on any improvements on the property against any damage or destruction while the property remains in trust, in the full amount of the value claimed for the improvements.

IV. ATTACHMENTS:

Attached to this application are the following: (check if applicable)

_____ 1. A complete, sworn financial statement

_____ 2. Three dated letters of recommendation from reputable persons, who have known the applicant for at least three years, stating that the applicant has a reputation for honesty, truthfulness, fair dealing and competency and recommending that the license be granted.

_____ 3. A cashier's check or money order in the amount of \$500.

_____ 4. A color portrait style photograph of Applicant.

____ 5. A set of fingerprints of Applicant:

____ 6. Proof of mandated Bail Bonded Professional Education.

____ 7. Current statements from each Taxing Unit with power to assess or collect taxes against all property listed under Article II, Section 1 of this Application stating that there are no outstanding tax liens against the property and indicating the net value of the property according to the current appraisal made by a member of the Society of Real Estate Advisors or a member of the Appraisal Institute.

____ 8. A sworn statement from Applicant's spouse agreeing to transfer to the Bail Bond Board, as part of the Trust, any right, title, or interest that the Spouse may have in the property. (Note: If application is conditionally approved, the spouse must execute any and all deeds of trust to the Bail Bond Board for any community property used as security).

____ 9. Total number of attached pages in addition to Application.

V. ACKNOWLEDGMENTS:

Applicant makes each of the foregoing statements, together with each statement hereto, for the purpose of inducing the Wichita County Bail Bond Board, Wichita County, Texas, to issue applicant a license to act as bondsman in the Courts of Wichita County, Texas, well knowing and understanding that any representation herein and therein which is not true and correct, or any misrepresentation or omission which causes the same not to truly and accurately demonstrate his personal and financial responsibility as a licensed bondsman in said courts may result in the denial of said license, the denial of any renewal thereof, or in the revocation thereof should the license be granted under this application.

DATE: _____

Applicant: _____

THE STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF WICHITA

Before me, the undersigned authority, a Notary Public in and for Wichita County, Texas on this day personally appeared _____, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, who having by me duly sworn, deposes and says that he signed the same in the capacity therein expressed, and further, that to his/her actual knowledge every statement contained therein, together with all attachments thereto, are true and correct.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL OF OFFICE on this the _____ day of _____, 20_____.

NOTARY PUBLIC in and for Wichita County, Texas

My commission expires _____

DRAFT FORMAT

Hon. Woodrow "Woody" Gossom, Chairman
Wichita County Bail Bond Board
Wichita County Courthouse
Wichita Falls, Texas

Dear Mr. Gossom,

As required in Section III of the bail bond renewal application, I hereby declare:

1. I will comply with and abide with Chapter 1704 of the Occupations Code, the Wichita County Bail Bond Board By-Laws, and all rules prescribed by the Wichita County Bail Bond Board
2. With respect to the real estate conveyed in trust to the Bail Bond Board under Article II Section I of this application, I promise:
 - A. I will keep all taxes paid on such property while it remains in trust.
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(Print Name)

(Signature)

SIGNED AND SWORN before me this _____ day of _____, 20____.

Notary Public, State of Texas

DRAFT FORMAT FOR LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION

STATE OF TEXAS*

COUNTY OF WICHITA*

Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared _____,
who swore on oath that the following facts are true:

"My name is _____, I am over the age of 18 years of age, of sound mind and competent to make this affidavit. The facts stated in this affidavit are within my personal knowledge, are true and correct and in accordance with Chapter 1704.154 Subsection (b) (4) (C) of the Texas Occupations Code."

"I am a reputable person in this community".

"I have known _____, for at least three years".

" _____ has a reputation for honesty, truthfulness, fair dealing, and competency".

I recommend the Wichita County Bail Bond Board issue the bail bond license.

(Print Name)

(Signature)

(Driver's License Number)

(Date of Birth)

(Address)

(Phone Number)

SIGNED AND SWORN before me this _____ day of _____, 20 ____.

Notary Public, State of Texas

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CHECK SHEET FOR APPLICATIONS

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