

**CHICAGO TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY**  
**PERSONAL UNDERTAKING - ESCROW AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT**

**NOTE: THIS FORM IS TO BE USED ONLY IN SITUATIONS WHICH HAVE BEEN SPECIFICALLY  
APPROVED BY UNDERWRITING COUNSEL FOR CHICAGO TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY PRIOR TO CLOSING**

This **PERSONAL UNDERTAKING - ESCROW AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT** (hereinafter "Agreement") made and entered into as of the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_, by and between \_\_\_\_\_

(collectively, and jointly and severally if more than one, hereinafter "Indemnitor"), and CHICAGO TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY (hereinafter "Company").

WHEREAS, Company has been asked to issue its title insurance commitment(s) and/or policy or policies insuring against loss or damage by reason of defects or possible defects in the title to property described as follows (hereinafter "Property"):

WHEREAS, Company has noted as exceptions to the aforesaid title the following actual or supposed rights, interests, liens, claims, encumbrances or defects in title (hereinafter "Title Matter"):

WHEREAS, Indemnitor desires Company issue its title insurance commitment(s) and/or policy or policies without exception to or providing affirmative coverage for the Title Matter; and

WHEREAS, Company may concurrently herewith or hereafter in the ordinary course of its business and in reliance on the representations herein made issue another commitment and/or policy in the form or forms now or then commonly used by Company insuring without exception to or providing affirmative coverage for the Title Matters; and

WHEREAS, Company is willing to issue its commitment(s) and/or policy or policies without exception to or providing affirmative coverage for the Title Matter only upon receipt of the Funds as herein defined and only if indemnified as herein set out; and

WHEREAS, Indemnitor has agreed to deposit the sum of \$\_\_\_\_\_ (hereinafter "Funds") with Company in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the issuance of said title insurance commitment(s) and/or policy or policies and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, Indemnitor does hereby agree with Company as follows:

1. As security for performance of the provisions of this Agreement, Indemnitor has deposited the sum of \$\_\_\_\_\_ with Company to be held pending final resolution of the Title Matter.
2. Indemnitor agrees to provide Company with a completed IRS Form W-9, Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification. Upon receipt of this form, Company agrees to deposit the Funds.
3. If the Funds exceed \$2,500.00, Company agrees to invest the Funds in an interest-bearing account. If the Funds are less than \$2,500.00, Company will hold Funds in a non interest-bearing custodial account.
4. If Company in its sole discretion determines that all or any portion of the Funds should be disbursed as it deems appropriate in order to protect any person or entity having an interest in the Property, in order to protect title to the Property, or for any other reason in Company's reasonable discretion, then Company shall be entitled to disburse all or any portion of said Funds in order to cause the Title Matter to be resolved to its satisfaction.
5. If the Funds deposited with Company are insufficient to resolve the Title Matter (including attorneys' fees, costs and all other expense of so obtaining), Indemnitor, upon demand by Company, shall advance to Company all such additional funds as, in the sole discretion of Company, may be necessary to obtain such resolution or otherwise satisfy Company's obligations under any commitment or policy issued by Company.
6. If Company shall sustain or incur loss or damage because the Funds were insufficient or because Indemnitor failed to provide sufficient additional funds upon demand by Company, Indemnitor shall be obligated to Company in an amount equal to the loss sustained or incurred by Company (including attorneys' fees, costs and all other expense of resolving the Title Matter) and agrees to repay Company that amount on demand, together with interest thereon, from the date of demand, at the legal rate for judgments in North Carolina.
7. If the Title Matter is resolved to the satisfaction of Company in its sole and reasonable discretion, then Company shall pay the deposited Funds or balance thereof to Indemnitor, together with and including any accrued interest.
8. Indemnitor agrees to defend, at Indemnitor's own cost and expense on behalf of and for the protection of Company and the parties insured or who may be insured under said title insurance commitment(s) and/or policy or policies (but without prejudice to the right of

Company to defend at the reasonable expense of Indemnitor if Company so elects), any and every suit, action or proceeding in which the Title Matter may be asserted or attempted to be asserted, established or enforced in, to, upon, against or in respect to the Property, or any part thereof, or interest therein.

- 9. Indemnitor agrees to indemnify and hold Company and any parties insured or who may be insured under said title insurance commitment(s) and/or policy or policies harmless of and from any and all loss, costs, damage and expense of every kind, including attorney's fees, which Company and/or said parties shall or may incur or become liable for as a result of the Title Matter, directly or indirectly, including but not limited to diminution in value, unmarketability of title and actions to enforce this Agreement.
- 10. Each and every provision of this Agreement shall extend to and be in force concerning any and every other title insurance commitment and/or policy Company may at any time or times hereafter issue insuring without exception to or providing affirmative coverage for the Title Matter.
- 11. This Agreement and the Conditions of Escrow attached hereto contain the entire agreement of the parties and there are no representations, inducements, or other provisions other than those expressed in writing. All changes, additions or deletions hereto must be in writing and signed by all parties.
- 12. This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of North Carolina. It is made to induce the purchase of and/or a loan secured by the Property described herein and the issuance of a title insurance commitment(s) and/or policy or policies relating to same. Indemnitor acknowledges that Company is relying on the representations and indemnifications contained herein in issuance of said commitment(s) and/or policy or policies. The provisions of this Agreement shall survive the disbursement of funds and closing of this transaction and shall be binding upon Indemnitor, its/their successors and/or assigns.
- 13. Indemnitor agrees that the Company may demand arbitration pursuant to the Commercial Arbitration Rules of the American Arbitration Association. Arbitrable matters may include, but are not limited to, any controversy or claim between the Company and the Indemnitor arising out of or relating to this Agreement, or any breach thereof. Arbitration pursuant to this Agreement and under the Rules in effect on the date of this Agreement, shall be binding upon the parties. Judgment upon the award rendered by the Arbitrator(s) may be entered in any court having jurisdiction thereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Agreement is executed as of the day and year first above written.

<p style="text-align: center;">ENTITY NAME</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">(SEAL)</p>
By: _____	Printed/Typed Name: _____
Printed/Typed Name: _____	Address: _____
Title: _____	Social Security No. _____
By: _____	(SEAL)
Printed/Typed Name: _____	Printed/Typed Name: _____
Title: _____	Address: _____
Entity Address: _____	Social Security No. _____
Tax Identification No. _____	(SEAL)
	Printed/Typed Name: _____
	Address: _____
	Social Security No. _____

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

I certify that the following person(s) personally appeared before me this day, each acknowledging to me that he or she signed the foregoing document: \_\_\_\_\_ [insert name(s) of principal(s)].

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_, Notary Public  
Notary's Printed or Typed Name

(Official/Notarial Seal)

My commission expires: \_\_\_\_\_

**CHICAGO TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY**  
**CONDITIONS OF ESCROW**

CHICAGO TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY (hereinafter "Escrow Agent") accepts the Funds as described in the preceding Agreement subject to these Conditions of Escrow:

1. The Funds may be processed for collection in the normal course of business by Escrow Agent, who may commingle funds received by it with escrow funds of others in the regular escrow account at Wachovia Bank, or such other institution as maintained from time to time by Escrow Agent (hereinafter the "Depository"). The parties to this escrow acknowledge that the maintenance of such escrow accounts with some Depository institutions may result in Escrow Agent being provided with an array of bank services, accommodations or other benefits by the Depository institution. Escrow Agent or its affiliates also may elect to enter into other business transactions with or obtain loans for investment or other purposes from the Depository institution. All such services, accommodations and other benefits shall accrue to Escrow Agent, and Escrow Agent shall have no obligation to account to the parties to the escrow for the value of such services, accommodations or other benefits.
2. Escrow Agent shall not be liable for any loss caused by the failure, suspension, bankruptcy or dissolution of the Depository.
3. Escrow Agent shall not be liable for loss or damage resulting from:
  - a. Any good faith act or forbearance of Escrow Agent;
  - b. Any default, error, action or omission of any party, other than Escrow Agent;
  - c. Any defect in the title to any property unless such loss is covered under a policy of title insurance issued by the Escrow Agent;
  - d. The expiration of any time limit or other delay which is not solely caused by the failure of Escrow Agent to proceed in its ordinary course of business, and in no event where such time limit is not disclosed in writing to the Escrow Agent;
  - e. The lack of authenticity of the signatory to sign such writing;
  - f. Escrow Agent's compliance with all attachments, writs, orders, judgments, or other legal process issued out of any court;
  - g. Escrow Agent's assertion or failure to assert any cause of action or defense in any judicial or administrative proceeding; or
  - h. Any loss or damage which arises after the Funds have been disbursed in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.
4. Escrow Agent shall be fully indemnified by the parties hereto for all its expenses, costs, and reasonable attorneys' fees incurred in connection with any interpleader action which Escrow Agent may file, in its sole discretion, to resolve any dispute as to the Funds or which may be filed against the Escrow Agent. Such costs, expenses or attorneys' fees may be deducted from the Funds.
5. If Escrow Agent is made a party to any judicial, non-judicial or administrative action, hearing or process based on acts of any of the other parties hereto and not on the malfeasance and/or negligence of Escrow Agent in performing its duties hereunder, the expenses, costs and reasonable attorneys' fees incurred by Escrow Agent in responding to such action, hearing or process may be deducted from the Funds held hereunder and the party/parties whose alleged acts are a basis for such proceedings shall indemnify, save and hold Escrow Agent harmless from said expenses, costs and fees so incurred.