



# POWER OF ATTORNEY

Liberty Mutual Insurance Company  
The Ohio Casualty Insurance Company  
West American Insurance Company

**KNOWN ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS:** That The Ohio Casualty Insurance Company is a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of New Hampshire, that Liberty Mutual Insurance Company is a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of Massachusetts, and West American Insurance Company is a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of Indiana (herein collectively called the "Companies"), pursuant to and by authority herein set forth, does hereby name, constitute and appoint William T. Krumm all of the city of Rolling Meadows, state of IL, its true and lawful attorney-in-fact, with full power and authority hereby conferred to sign, execute and acknowledge the following surety bonds, undertakings, recognizances, contracts of indemnity, and all other surety obligations related thereto, the execution of which shall be binding upon the Companies as if it had been duly signed and executed by its own officers:

Principal Name: Chad McLean  
Obligee Name: West Chicago Elementary School District 33  
Surety Bond Number: 404257734

Bond Amount: See Bond Form

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Power of Attorney has been subscribed by an authorized officer or official of the Companies and the corporate seals of the Companies have been affixed thereto this 24th day of April, 2026.



Liberty Mutual Insurance Company  
The Ohio Casualty Insurance Company  
West American Insurance Company

By: Nathan J. Zangerle  
Nathan J. Zangerle, Assistant Secretary

STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA ss  
COUNTY OF MONTGOMERY

On this 24th day of April, 2026, before me personally appeared Nathan J. Zangerle, who acknowledged himself to be the Assistant Secretary of Liberty Mutual Insurance Company, The Ohio Casualty Company, and West American Insurance Company, and that he, as such, being authorized so to do, execute the foregoing instrument for the purposes therein contained by signing on behalf of the corporations by himself as a duly authorized officer.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my notarial seal at Plymouth Meeting, Pennsylvania, on the day and year first above written.



Commonwealth of Pennsylvania - Notary Seal  
Teresa Pastella, Notary Public  
Montgomery County  
My commission expires March 28, 2029  
Commission number 1126044  
Member, Pennsylvania Association of Notaries

By: Teresa Pastella  
Teresa Pastella, Notary Public

This Power of Attorney is made and executed pursuant to and by authority of the following By-laws and Authorizations of The Ohio Casualty Insurance Company, Liberty Mutual Insurance Company, and West American Insurance Company which resolutions are now in full force and effect reading as follows:

**ARTICLE IV – OFFICERS:** Section 12. Power of Attorney.

Any officer or other official of the Corporation authorized for that purpose in writing by the Chairman or the President, and subject to such limitation as the Chairman or the President may prescribe, shall appoint such attorneys-in-fact, as may be necessary to act in behalf of the Corporation to make, execute, seal, acknowledge and deliver as surety any and all undertakings, bonds, recognizances and other surety obligations. Such attorneys-in-fact, subject to the limitations set forth in their respective powers of attorney, shall have full power to bind the Corporation by their signature and execution of any such instruments and to attach thereto the seal of the Corporation. When so executed, such instruments shall be as binding as if signed by the President and attested to by the Secretary. Any power or authority granted to any representative or attorney-in-fact under the provisions of this article may be revoked at any time by the Board, the Chairman, the President or by the officer or officers granting such power or authority.

**ARTICLE XIII – Execution of Contracts:** Section 5. Surety Bonds and Undertakings.

Any officer of the Company authorized for that purpose in writing by the chairman or the president, and subject to such limitations as the chairman or the president may prescribe, shall appoint such attorneys-in-fact, as may be necessary to act in behalf of the Company to make, execute, seal, acknowledge and deliver as surety any and all undertakings, bonds, recognizances and other surety obligations. Such attorneys-in-fact, subject to the limitations set forth in their respective powers of attorney, shall have full power to bind the Company by their signature and execution of any such instruments and to attach thereto the seal of the Company. When so executed such instruments shall be as binding as if signed by the president and attested by the secretary.

**Certificate of Designation** – The President of the Company, acting pursuant to the Bylaws of the Company, authorizes Nathan J. Zangerle, Assistant Secretary to appoint such attorneys-in-fact as may be necessary to act on behalf of the Company to make, execute, seal, acknowledge and deliver as surety any and all undertakings, bonds, recognizances and other surety obligations.

**Authorization** – By unanimous consent of the Company's Board of Directors, the Company consents that facsimile or mechanically reproduced signature of any assistant secretary of the Company, wherever appearing upon a certified copy of any power of attorney issued by the Company in connection with surety bonds, shall be valid and binding upon the Company with the same force and effect as though manually affixed.

I, Renee C. Llewellyn, the undersigned, Assistant Secretary, of Liberty Mutual Insurance Company, The Ohio Casualty Insurance Company, and West American Insurance Company do hereby certify that this power of attorney executed by said Companies is in full force and effect and has not been revoked.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seals of said Companies this 27th day of April, 2026.



By: Renee C. Llewellyn  
Renee C. Llewellyn, Assistant Secretary

Not valid for mortgage, note, loan, letter of credit, currency rate, interest rate or residual value guarantees.

For bond and/or Power of Attorney (POA) verification inquiries, please call 610-832-8240 or email HOSUR@libertymutual.com.

# INCREASE PENALTY RIDER

BOND AMOUNT \$6,000,000.00 BOND NO. 404257734

To be attached and form a part of Bond No. 404257734 dated the 1st Day of July, 2023, executed by Liberty Mutual Insurance Company as surety, on behalf of Chad McLean as current principal of record, and in favor of West Chicago Elementary School District 33, as Obligee for Treasurer, and in the amount of Six Million Dollars and 00/100 (\$6,000,000.00).

In consideration of the agreed premium charged for this bond, it is understood and agreed that Liberty Mutual Insurance Company hereby consents that effective from the 1st Day of July, 2026, said bond shall be amended as follows:

THE BOND PENALTY SHALL BE INCREASED:

FROM: Six Million Dollars and 00/100 (\$6,000,000.00)

TO: Seven Million Dollars and 00/100 (\$7,000,000.00)

The INCREASE of said bond penalty shall be effective as of the 1st Day of July, 2026, and does hereby agree that the continuity of protection under said bond subject to changes in penalty shall not be impaired hereby, provided that the aggregate liability of the above mentioned bond shall not exceed the amount of liability assumed by it at the time the act and/or acts of default were committed and in no event shall such liability be cumulative.

Signed, sealed and dated this 27th Day of April, 2026

Chad McLean  
PRINCIPAL



BY \_\_\_\_\_

Liberty Mutual Insurance Company  
SURETY

BY   
William T. Krumm, ATTORNEY-IN-FACT

THE ABOVE BOND IS HEREBY AGREED TO AND ACCEPTED BY:

West Chicago Elementary School District 33  
OBLIGEE

BY \_\_\_\_\_  
TITLE