

ARCH INSURANCE COMPANY



FIRST TERM PREMIUM FULLY EARNED

Bond Number : SU 1171913

Premium: \$ 13,085.00

SUBDIVISION BOND FAITHFUL PERFORMANCE

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: That, Meritage Homes of Texas, LLC, as Principal, and the ARCH INSURANCE COMPANY, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of MISSOURI and authorized to transact surety business in the State of Texas as Surety, are held and firmly bound unto City of Dripping Springs, as Obligee, in the sum of Three Million Four Hundred Eighty Nine Three Hundred Two and 75/100ths DOLLARS (3,489,302.75), for which the payment whereof, well and truly to be made, said Principal and Surety bind themselves, their heirs, administrators, successors, and assigns, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.

THE Condition of the foregoing obligation is such that, whereas the above bounden Principal has entered into a contract/agreement, dated _____, with the Obligee to do and perform the following work; to wit:

Phase 2 Development Improvements Big Sky Ranch

NOW, THEREFORE, if the above bounden Principal shall well and truly perform the work contracted to be performed under said contract, then this obligation shall be void; otherwise to remain in full force and effect.

SIGNED, SEALED, DATED: March 3, 2021

Meritage Homes of Texas, LLC
(Principal)

By: _____

GLEN A. TULK

VP - NATIONAL LAND DEVELOPMENT

Arch Insurance Company
(Surety)

By: _____

Bryan M. Caneschi, Attorney In Fact

DIRECT CORRESPONDENCE TO:

ARCH INSURANCE COMPANY, 865 S. FIGUEROA ST., SUITE 2700 LOS ANGELES, CA 90017
PHONE (213) 283-3500 • FAX (213) 283-2075

This Power of Attorney limits the acts of those named herein, and they have no authority to bind the Company except in the manner and to the extent herein stated. Not valid for Note, Loan, Letter of Credit, Currency Rate, Interest Rate or Residential Value Guarantees.

POWER OF ATTORNEY

Know All Persons By These Presents:

That the Arch Insurance Company, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Missouri, having its principal administrative office in Jersey City, New Jersey (hereinafter referred to as the "Company") does hereby appoint:

Aimee R. Perondine, Alexis Apostolidis, Bethany Stevenson, Brendan Fletcher, Bryan M. Caneschi, Cassandra Baez, Donna M. Planeta, Eric Strba, Jacqueline Rose Susco, Jance Wright, Joshua Sanford, Kathryn Pryor, Michelle Anne McMahon, Nicholas Turecamo and Phillip M. Knower of Hartford, CT (EACH)

its true and lawful Attorney(s)in-Fact, to make, execute, seal, and deliver from the date of issuance of this power for and on its behalf as surety, and as its act and deed: Any and all bonds, undertakings, recognizances and other surety obligations, in the penal sum not exceeding Ninety Million Dollars (90,000,000.00). This authority does not permit the same obligation to be split into two or more bonds In order to bring each such bond within the dollar limit of authority as set forth herein.

The execution of such bonds, undertakings, recognizances and other surety obligations in pursuance of these presents shall be as binding upon the said Company as fully and amply to all intents and purposes, as if the same had been duly executed and acknowledged by its regularly elected officers at its principal administrative office in Jersey City, New Jersey.

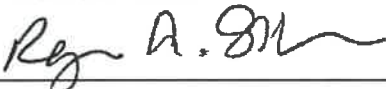
This Power of Attorney is executed by authority of resolutions adopted by unanimous consent of the Board of Directors of the Company on September 15, 2020, true and accurate copies of which are hereinafter set forth and are hereby certified to by the undersigned Secretary as being in full force and effect:

"**VOTED**, That the Chairman of the Board, the President, or the Executive Vice President, or any Senior Vice President, of the Surety Business Division, or their appointees designated in writing and filed with the Secretary, or the Secretary shall have the power and authority to appoint agents and attorneys-in-fact, and to authorize them subject to the limitations set forth in their respective powers of attorney, to execute on behalf of the Company, and attach the seal of the Company thereto, bonds, undertakings, recognizances and other surety obligations obligatory in the nature thereof, and any such officers of the Company may appoint agents for acceptance of process."

This Power of Attorney is signed, sealed and certified by facsimile under and by authority of the following resolution adopted by the unanimous consent of the Board of Directors of the Company on September 15, 2020:

VOTED, That the signature of the Chairman of the Board, the President, or the Executive Vice President, or any Senior Vice President, of the Surety Business Division, or their appointees designated in writing and filed with the Secretary, and the signature of the Secretary, the seal of the Company, and certifications by the Secretary, may be affixed by facsimile on any power of attorney or bond executed pursuant to the resolution adopted by the Board of Directors on September 15, 2020, and any such power so executed, sealed and certified with respect to any bond or undertaking to which it is attached, shall continue to be valid and binding upon the Company. **In Testimony Whereof**, the Company has caused this instrument to be signed and its corporate seal to be affixed by their authorized officers, this 23rd day of September, 2020

Attested and Certified



Regan A. Shulman, Secretary

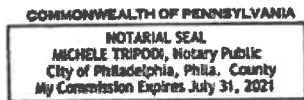



Arch Insurance Company


Richard Stock, Executive Vice President

STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA SS
COUNTY OF PHILADELPHIA SS

I, **Michele Tripodi**, a Notary Public, do hereby certify that Regan A. Shulman and Richard Stock personally known to me to be the same persons whose names are respectively as Secretary and Executive Vice President of the Arch Insurance Company, a Corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Missouri, subscribed to the foregoing instrument, appeared before me this day in person and severally acknowledged that they being thereunto duly authorized signed, sealed with the corporate seal and delivered the said instrument as the free and voluntary act of said corporation and as their own free and voluntary acts for the uses and purposes therein set forth.



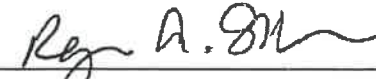


Michele Tripodi, Notary Public
My commission expires 07/31/2021

CERTIFICATION

I, **Regan A. Shulman**, Secretary of the Arch Insurance Company, do hereby certify that the attached **Power of Attorney dated September 23, 2020** on behalf of the person(s) as listed above is a true and correct copy and that the same has been in full force and effect since the date thereof and is in full force and effect on the date of this certificate; and I do further certify that the said Richard Stock, who executed the Power of Attorney as Executive Vice President, was on the date of execution of the attached Power of Attorney the duly elected Executive Vice President of the Arch Insurance Company.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the corporate seal of the Arch Insurance Company on this 3rd day of March, 2021.



Regan A. Shulman, Secretary

This Power of Attorney limits the acts of those named therein to the bonds and undertakings specifically named therein and they have no authority to bind the Company except in the manner and to the extent herein stated.

PLEASE SEND ALL CLAIM INQUIRIES RELATING TO THIS BOND TO THE FOLLOWING ADDRESS:

Arch Insurance – Surety Division
3 Parkway, Suite 1500
Philadelphia, PA 19102



To verify the authenticity of this Power of Attorney, please contact Arch Insurance Company at SuretyAuthentic@archinsurance.com
Please refer to the above named Attorney-in-Fact and the details of the bond to which the power is attached.

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO ALL TEXAS POLICYHOLDERS

IMPORTANT NOTICE

To obtain information or make a complaint:

You may call Arch Insurance Group's toll-free telephone number for information or to make a complaint at:

1-866-413-5550

You may also write to Arch Insurance Group at:

**Arch Insurance Group
Harborside 3
210 Hudson Street, Suite 300
Jersey City, NJ 07311-1107**

You may contact the Texas Department of Insurance to obtain information on companies, coverages, rights or complaints at:

1-800-252-3439

You may write the Texas Department of Insurance:

P.O. Box 149091
Austin, TX 78714-9091
Fax: (512) 490-1007
Web: <http://www.tdi.texas.gov>
E-mail: ConsumerProtection@tdi.texas.gov

PREMIUM OR CLAIM DISPUTES:

Should you have a dispute concerning your premium or about a claim you should contact the Arch Insurance Group first. If the dispute is not resolved, you may contact the Texas Department of Insurance.

ATTACH THIS NOTICE TO YOUR POLICY:

This notice is for information only and does not become a part or condition of the attached document.

AVISO IMPORTANTE

Para obtener informacion o para someter una queja:

Usted puede llamar al numero de telefono gratis de Arch Insurance Group para informacion o para someter una queja al:

1-866-413-5550

Usted también puede escribir a Arch Insurance Group:

**Arch Insurance Group
Harborside 3
210 Hudson Street, Suite 300
Jersey City, NJ 07311-1107**

Puede comunicarse con el Departamento de Seguros de Texas para obtener informacion acerca de companias, coberturas, derechos o quejas al:

1-800-252-3439

Puede escribir al Departamento de Seguros de Texas:

P.O. Box 149091
Austin, TX 78714-9091
Fax: (512) 490-1007
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DISPUTAS SOBRE PRIMAS O RECLAMOS:

Si tiene una disputa concerniente a su prima o a un reclamo, debe comunicarse con el Arch Insurance Group primero. Si no se resuelve la disputa, puede entonces comunicarse con el departamento (TDI).

UNA ESTE AVISO A SU POLIZA:

Este aviso es solo para proposito de informacion y no se convierte en parte o condicion del documento adjunto.