

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPROVAL OF THE BOND FOR THE COUNTY AUDITOR  
TO THE DISTRICT JUDGES OF GALVESTON COUNTY

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GALVESTON COUNTY, TEXAS

STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF GALVESTON

As required by Local Government Code, Section 84.007 (a), the "TEXAS OFFICIAL BOND FOR COUNTY AUDITOR" identifying the County Auditor, Paul Randall Rice, in an amount of \$5,000, payable to the District Judges for the County of Galveston, Texas, for the term of the appointment a two-year period beginning July 1, 2023, is attached. The appointment was made at a special meeting of the District Judges having jurisdiction in Galveston County, called for the purpose of considering and appointing a county auditor, and held on the 22nd day of June, 2023.

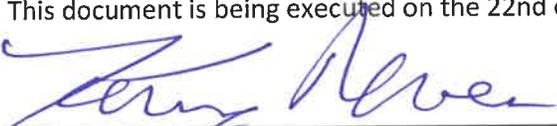
The following were present:

- Kerry L. Neves, Judge, 10<sup>th</sup> Judicial District County
- Lonnie Cox, Judge, 56<sup>th</sup> Judicial District County
- Jeth Jones, Judge, 122<sup>nd</sup> Judicial District County
- Patricia Grady, Judge, 212<sup>th</sup> Judicial District County
- Anne B. Darring, Judge, 306<sup>th</sup> Judicial District County
- Jared Robinson, Judge, 405<sup>th</sup> Judicial District County

It is duly moved, seconded and agreed, ordered and directed by said district judges to accept and approve the bond for Paul Randall Rice in accordance with Local Government Code, Section 84.007 (a) for a term of two years commencing on July 1, 2023.

The District Clerk of Galveston County is ordered and directed to record this Order in the minutes of all six (6) district courts and to certify a copy thereof to the Commissioners Court of Galveston County for observance. The Commissioners Court will cause said certified copy to be recorded in its minutes, all in accordance with the direction of V.T.C.A. Local Government Code, Section 84.

This document is being executed on the 22nd day of June, 2023.



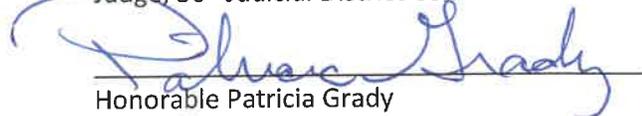
Honorable Kerry L. Neves  
Judge, 10<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Court



Honorable Lonnie Cox  
Judge, 56<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Court



Honorable Jeth Jones  
Judge, 122<sup>nd</sup> Judicial District Court



Honorable Patricia Grady  
Judge, 212<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Court



Honorable Anne B. Darring  
Judge, 306<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Court

absent

Honorable Jared Robinson  
Judge, 405<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Court

**PUBLIC OFFICIAL BOND****I N S U R A N C E**

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Company:	Merchants Bonding Co.
AM Best Rating:	A VIII
Policy Term:	7/1/2023 to 7/1/2025
Premium:	\$93.00

<b>Principal:</b>	<b>Paul Randall Rice, County Auditor</b>
Obligee:	District Judge of Galveston County
Bond Description:	County Auditor
Bond #:	TX807159
Bond Amount:	\$5,000

**\* Notice regarding Bond Amounts:** Your exposure to a loss may exceed the limit provided on this bond. Higher bond amounts may be available. Please refer to the bond application and bond document for specific terms, conditions, limitations, and exclusions.

**BUSINESS INSURANCE PROPOSAL**

**FOR**

**COUNTY OF GALVESTON & GALVESTON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT**

**MAY 5, 2023**

**PRESENTED BY:**

**GARRY KAUFMAN**



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*Please remember that the extent of any insurance provided to you is at all times governed by the complete terms and conditions of the issued policy itself.*

*This presentation is a summary only and does not constitute coverage. You must sign and return all required documentation along with payment for the premium amount due before a request for coverage can be made to the Insurance Company*

*From June through November insurance companies may stop binding coverage when a 'tropical disturbance' enters the Gulf of Mexico or Caribbean Sea. In these cases, coverage quoted in this proposal cannot be put in effect until the company lifts its binding restrictions*



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May 5, 2023

County Of Galveston & Galv Cty Comm Court  
722 Moody, 3rd Floor  
Galveston TX 77550

Re: Proposal for Bond Renewal for: Paul Randall Rice, County Auditor  
Proposed Effective 7/1/2023 to 7/1/2025

To County of Galveston Commissioners Court:

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR BUSINESS!**

We are pleased to enclose a presentation for the above referenced policy or line(s) of coverage. We would like to point out that this presentation outlines a few of the coverage and/or limitation features of the coverage line(s) being presented, others may apply. We strongly encourage you to review the presentation closely and call us should you have any questions or concerns. *Please remember that the extent of any insurance provided to you is at all times governed by the complete terms and conditions of the issued policy itself. This presentation does not constitute coverage. You must sign and return all required documentation along with payment for the premium before a request for coverage can be made to the insurance company.*

We would also like to remind you that your exposure to a loss may exceed your current limits. Higher limits may be available.

GIA offers a full line of insurance products including Employee Benefits to help meet all your insurance needs.

If you have ANY questions concerning this presentation or any other insurance matter, please let us know.

Sincerely,

*Stephanie Rippard*

Stephanie Rippard

Enclosure



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**COUNTY OF GALVESTON & GALVESTON COUNTY COMMISSIONER  
COURT'S SERVICE TEAM**

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Garry Kaufman is responsible for overseeing all aspects of your insurance program.

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Stephanie Rippard is responsible for the daily servicing of your account including endorsements, certificate requests, client services, program design, accounting, quality assurance and market relationships.

Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions or concerns regarding your insurance program.



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**INVOICE**

All premiums payable on or  
before effective date of policy.

ACCOUNT NO. DATE  
00000928 / May 5, 2023

County Of Galveston & Galv Cty Comm Court  
722 Moody, 3rd Floor  
Galveston, TX 77550

FOR: \_\_\_\_\_

\$ \_\_\_\_\_  
PAYMENT ENCLOSED

PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE	PROPOSED EXPIRATION DATE	QUOTE / POLICY #	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
7/1/2023	7/1/2025	TX807159	Public Official Bond renewal for Paul Randall Rice, County Auditor  <b>PLEASE MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO GIA Thank you!</b>  <b>PAYMENT DUE BY <u>June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023</u></b>	\$93.00
<i>Payment and signed documents must be returned to GIA before a request for coverage can be made to the Insurance Company</i>				
<b>TOTAL ESTIMATED AMOUNT DUE</b>				<b>\$93.00</b>

**Thank you for your payment. We greatly appreciate your business!**

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Applicant's Business Name: County Of Galveston & Galveston County Commissioners Court

Applicant's  
Initials  
**X**

CLIENT AUTHORIZATION TO SECURE COVERAGE  
AND NON-BINDING COVERAGE DISCLAIMER

Applicant has requested GIA to secure insurance on their behalf as proposed and/or quoted with changes (if any) noted on the "Declination of coverage" page located in this business insurance proposal.

This agreement will confirm that applicant understands and agrees that no insurance policy or coverage shall be effective until an insurance company, in response to the agency's request, issues the policy, binder, endorsement or certificate. Applicant understands and agrees that no action or statement by the agent in accepting this application or attempting to secure the insurance or coverage desired by the applicant shall be construed as binding coverage, or as a promise, or representation, as to when such coverage will, or may, be issued or become effective. This agreement will also apply to any insurance, coverage or endorsements required by applicant to be attached to any policy or certificate of insurance as a result of this application.

Any proposal or quotes offered to the applicant by the agency provide only a summary of the insurance or coverage proposed, the actual policies and other evidences of insurance, as issued by the company are the sole source for coverage, conditions, limitations and exclusions. Applicant confirms that the values, schedules and other data contained on the agency's applications, proposals and quotes have been supplied by the applicant, and/or records he supplied. Applicant acknowledges that they are solely responsible to maintain these records accurately, and agrees and understands that the policies contained in these proposals and quotes may be subject to final audit adjustment. Applicant understands that the final audited policy premium could be subject to change based on the final audit of exposures (such as payrolls, sales, receipts, etc). Further, applicant understands and agrees their authorization to secure coverage may result in a partially or fully earned premium, not subject to adjustment or refund even if coverage is canceled. The undersigned applicant has read and agrees to the provisions of this agreement.

EXECUTED ON (DATE): \_\_\_\_\_

**X**

\_\_\_\_\_  
PRINTED NAME

\_\_\_\_\_  
SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT

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FOR APPOINTMENT JULY 1, 2023 – JUNE 30, 2025

IN THE DISTRICT COURTS OF GALVESTON COUNTY, TEXAS

**CERTIFICATION OF CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS**

TO THE HONORABLE DISTRICT JUDGES OF GALVESTON COUNTY

I, Paul Randall Rice CPA, hereby certify that during my July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2023 term of office I have successfully completed a minimum of forty (40) classroom hours of instruction in courses relating to the duties of the county auditor.

As required by Local Government Code § 84.0085, said hours have been accredited by the Texas State Board of Public Accountancy as continuing professional education credits for Certified Public Accountants.

Signed this 22nd day of June, 2023.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Rice CPA". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line extending to the right.

Randall Rice CPA, County Auditor

Rice, Paul Randall

Report of Continuing Education Hours as Required by LGC 84.0085(a)

For the Period 07/01/2021 - 06/30/2023

Date(s)	Description	Provider	Hours
07/12/2021-07/20/2021	GFOA Annual Training Conference	Govt Finance Officers Assoc	10.5
07/21/2021-07/23/2021	State TCDRS Training	Tx County & District Ret Sys	11.0
09/03/2021	Legislative Conference	Tx Assoc of Counties	8.0
10/12/2021-10/15/2021	Auditor's Fall Training Conference	Tx Assoc of County Auditors	20.0
12/09/2021	Annual Governmental GAAP Update	Govt Finance Officers Assoc	4.0
06/28/2022-06/30/2022	County Investment Academy*	Tx Assoc of Counties	15.0
08/03/2022-08/04/2022	Auditor Training	State Auditor's Office	14.0
08/31/2022	Ethics for Texas CPAs	Master CPE	4.0
11/23/2022	Annual Governmental GAAP Update	Govt Finance Officers Assoc	4.0
05/02/2023-05/05/2023	Auditor Institute - Spring*	Tx Assoc of County Auditors	19.5
05/09/2023-05/12/2023	Financial Fundamentals - Virtual**	Workday Training	32.0
			<u>142.0</u>

\* Teacher

\*\* Required for new Workday Financial System; CPE granted.



Paul Randall Rice CPA

6/22/2023

Date

# GALVESTON COUNTY



## Office of County Auditor

Randall Rice CPA CISA CIO, County Auditor  
Madeline Walker CPA CFE, First Assistant County Auditor

P.O. Box 1418, Galveston, Texas 77553

(409) 770-5304

722 Moody Ave 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, Galveston, TX 77550

June 22, 2023

To The Honorable District Judges of Galveston County  
Justice Administration Center  
Galveston, TX 77551

Honorable Judges:

During the appointment process, Local Government Code § 84.007, Bond and Oath, require the County Auditor to secure a bond, payable to the district judges, with additional requirements as noted below:

Sec. 84.007. BOND AND OATH. (a) Before taking office and within 20 days after the date of a county auditor's appointment, the county auditor must execute a bond. The bond must be:

- (1) a good and sufficient surety bond or a bond secured by two or more good and sufficient personal sureties;
- (2) in the amount of \$5,000 or more;
- (3) payable to the district judges;
- (4) conditioned on the faithful performance of the duties of county auditor; and
- (5) approved by the district judges.

The bond must be approved by the district judges. Attached is an order from the district judges noting the approval of the bond.

If there is any other information or details you need, please contact me at your convenience.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Rice CPA", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Randall Rice CPA CISA CIO  
County Auditor, Galveston County

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