

TEXAS TITLE INSURANCE FORMS

Policies, Endorsements, Binders, and Certificates are not to be filed with the Texas Department of Insurance for approval as the responsibility rests upon the title underwriting companies to see that only standard forms are used by themselves and their authorized agents.

The following forms promulgated by the Texas Department of Insurance in accordance with the Texas Title Insurance Act are the only forms permissible for use in the writing of Title Insurance in the State of Texas.

TEXAS TITLE INSURANCE INFORMATION

Title insurance insures you against loss resulting from certain risks to your title.

The commitment for Title Insurance is the title insurance company's promise to issue the title insurance policy. The commitment is a legal document. You should review it carefully to completely understand it before your closing date.

El seguro de título le asegura en relación a pérdidas resultantes de ciertos riesgos que pueden afectar el título de su propiedad.

El Compromiso para Seguro de Título es la promesa de la compañía aseguradora de títulos de emitir la póliza de seguro de título. El Compromiso es un documento legal. Usted debe leerlo cuidadosamente y entenderlo completamente antes de la fecha para finalizar su transacción.

Your Commitment for Title Insurance is a legal contract between you and us. The Commitment is not an opinion or report of your title. It is a contract to issue you a policy subject to the Commitment's terms and requirements.

Before issuing a Commitment for Title Insurance (the Commitment) or a Title Insurance Policy (the Policy), the Title Insurance Company (the Company) determines whether the title is insurable. This determination has already been made. Part of that determination involves the Company's decision to insure the title except for certain risks that will not be covered by the Policy. Some of these risks are listed in Schedule B of the attached Commitment as Exceptions. Other risks are stated in the Policy as Exclusions. These risks will not be covered by the Policy.

Another part of the determination involves whether the promise to insure is conditioned upon certain requirements being met. Schedule C of the Commitment lists these requirements that must be satisfied or the Company will refuse to cover them. You may want to discuss any matters shown in Schedules B and C of the Commitment with an attorney. These matters will affect your title and your use of the land.

When your Policy is issued, the coverage will be limited by the Policy's Exceptions, Exclusions and Conditions, defined below.

- **EXCEPTIONS** are title risks that a Policy generally covers but does not cover in a particular instance. Exceptions are shown on Schedule B or discussed in Schedule C of the Commitment. They can also be added if you do not comply with the Conditions section of the Commitment. When the Policy is issued, all Exceptions will be on Schedule B of the Policy.

- **EXCLUSIONS** are title risks that a Policy generally does not cover. Exclusions are contained in the Policy but not shown or discussed in the Commitment.

- **CONDITIONS** are additional provisions that qualify or limit your coverage. Conditions include your responsibilities and those of the Company. They are contained in the Policy but not shown or discussed in the Commitment. The Policy Conditions are not the same as the Commitment Conditions.

You can get a copy of the policy form approved by the State Board of Insurance by calling the Title Insurance Company at 1-800-252-3439 or by calling the title insurance agent that issued the Commitment. The State Board of Insurance may revise the policy form from time to time.

You can also get a brochure that explains the policy from the Texas Department of Insurance by calling 1-800-252-3439.

Before the Policy is issued, you may request changes in the policy. Some of the changes to consider are:

- Request amendment of the "area and boundary" exception (Schedule B, paragraph 2). To get this amendment, you must furnish a survey and comply with other requirements of the Company. On the Owner Policy, you must pay an additional premium for the amendment. If the survey is acceptable to the Company and if the Company's other requirements are met, your Policy will insure you against loss because of discrepancies or conflicts in boundary lines, encroachments or protrusions, or overlapping of improvements. The Company may then decide not to insure against specific boundary or survey problems by making special exceptions in the Policy. Whether or not you request amendment of the "area and boundary" exception, you should determine whether you want to purchase and review a survey if a survey is not being provided to you.

- Allow the Company to add an exception to "rights of parties in possession." If you refuse this exception, the Company or the title insurance agent may inspect the property. The Company may except to and not insure you against the rights of specific persons, such as renters, adverse owners or easement holders who occupy the land. The Company may charge you for the inspection. If you want to make your own inspection, you must sign a Waiver of Inspection form and allow the Company to add this exception to your Policy.

The entire premium for a Policy must be paid when the Policy is issued. You will not owe any additional premiums unless you want to increase your coverage at a later date and the Company agrees to add an Increased Value Endorsement.

THE FOLLOWING COMMITMENT FOR TITLE INSURANCE IS NOT VALID UNLESS YOUR NAME AND THE POLICY AMOUNT ARE SHOWN IN SCHEDULE A, AND OUR AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE HAS COUNTERSIGNED BELOW

COMMITMENT FOR TITLE INSURANCE T-7

ISSUED BY

We (_____) will issue our title insurance policy or policies (the Policy) to You (the proposed insured) upon payment of the premium and other charges due, and compliance with the requirements in Schedule B and Schedule C. Our Policy will be in the form approved by the Texas Department of Insurance at the date of issuance, and will insure your interest in the land described in Schedule A. The estimated premium for our Policy and applicable endorsements is shown on Schedule D. There may be additional charges such as recording fees, and expedited delivery expenses.

This Commitment ends ninety (90) days from the effective date, unless the Policy is issued sooner, or failure to issue the Policy is our fault. Our liability and obligations to you are under the express terms of this Commitment and end when this Commitment expires.

ATTEST:

By: _____

Secretary

Authorized Signatory

CONDITIONS AND STIPULATIONS

1. If you have actual knowledge of any matter which may affect the title or mortgage covered by this Commitment, that is not shown in Schedule B, you must notify us in writing. If you do not notify us in writing, our liability to you is ended or reduced to the extent that your failure to notify us affects our liability. If you do notify us, or we learn of such matter, we may amend Schedule B, but we will not be relieved of liability already incurred.
2. Our liability is only to you, and others who are included in the definition of Insured in the Policy to be issued. Our liability is only for actual loss incurred in your reliance on this Commitment to comply with its requirements, or to acquire the interest in the land. Our liability is limited to the amount shown in Schedule A of this Commitment and will be subject to the following terms of the Policy: Insuring Provisions, Conditions and Stipulations, and Exclusions.

SCHEDULE A

Effective Date: _____ GF No. _____

Commitment No. _____ issued _____, 20____, _____ m.

1. The policy or policies to be issued are:

- (a) OWNER POLICY OF TITLE INSURANCE (Form T-1)
(Not applicable for improved one-to-four family residential real estate)
Policy Amount: \$ _____
PROPOSED INSURED: _____

- (b) TEXAS RESIDENTIAL OWNER POLICY OF TITLE INSURANCE
– ONE-TO-FOUR FAMILY RESIDENCES (Form T-1R)

Policy Amount: \$
PROPOSED INSURED:

- (c) MORTGAGEE POLICY OF TITLE INSURANCE (Form T-2)

Policy Amount: \$
PROPOSED INSURED:
Proposed Borrower:

- (d) TEXAS SHORT FORM RESIDENTIAL MORTGAGEE POLICY OF TITLE INSURANCE (Form T-2R)

Policy Amount: \$
PROPOSED INSURED:
Proposed Borrower:

- (e) MORTGAGEE TITLE POLICY BINDER ON INTERIM CONSTRUCTION LOAN (Form T-13)

Binder Amount: \$
PROPOSED INSURED:
Proposed Borrower:

- (f) OTHER

Policy Amount: \$
PROPOSED INSURED:

2. The interest in the land covered by this Commitment is:
3. Record title to the land on the Effective Date appears to be vested in:
4. Legal description of land:

SCHEDULE B

EXCEPTIONS FROM COVERAGE

In addition to the Exclusions and Conditions and Stipulations, your Policy will not cover loss, costs, attorney's fees, and expenses resulting from:

1. The following restrictive covenants of record itemized below (We must either insert specific recording data or delete this exception):
2. Any discrepancies, conflicts, or shortages in area or boundary lines, or any encroachments or protrusions, or any overlapping of improvements.
3. Homestead or community property or survivorship rights, if any of any spouse of any insured. (Applies to the Owner Policy only.)
4. Any titles or rights asserted by anyone, including, but not limited to, persons, the public, corporations, governments or other entities,
 - a. to tidelands, or lands comprising the shores or beds of navigable or perennial rivers and streams, lakes, bays, gulfs or oceans, or
 - b. to lands beyond the line of the harbor or bulkhead lines as established or changed by any government, or
 - c. to filled-in lands, or artificial islands, or
 - d. to statutory water rights, including riparian rights, or
 - e. to the area extending from the line of mean low tide to the line of vegetation, or the rights of access to that area or easement along and across that area.(Applies to the Owner Policy only.)

5. Standby fees, taxes and assessments by any taxing authority for the year _____, and subsequent years; and subsequent taxes and assessments by any taxing authority for prior years due to change in land usage or ownership, but not those taxes or assessments for prior years because of an exemption granted to a previous owner of the property under Section 11.13, Texas Tax Code, or because of improvements not assessed for a previous tax year. (If Texas Short Form Residential Mortgagee Policy of Title Insurance (T-2R) is issued, that policy will substitute "which become due and payable subsequent to Date of Policy" in lieu of "for the year _____ and subsequent years.")
6. The terms and conditions of the documents creating your interest in the land.
7. Materials furnished or labor performed in connection with planned construction before signing and delivering the lien document described in Schedule A, if the land is part of the homestead of the owner. (Applies to the Mortgagee Title Policy Binder on Interim Construction Loan only, and may be deleted if satisfactory evidence is furnished to us before a binder is issued.)
8. Liens and leases that affect the title to the land, but that are subordinate to the lien of the insured mortgage. (Applies to Mortgagee Policy (T-2) only.)
9. The Exceptions from Coverage and Express Insurance in Schedule B of the Texas Short Form Residential Mortgagee Policy of Title Insurance (T-2R). (Applies to Texas Short Form Residential Mortgagee Policy of Title Insurance (T-2R) only. Separate exceptions 1 through 8 of this Schedule B do not apply to the Texas Short Form Residential Mortgagee Policy of Title Insurance (T-2R).
10. The following matters and all terms of the documents creating or offering evidence of the matters (We must insert matters or delete this exception.):

SCHEDULE C

Your Policy will not cover loss, costs, attorneys fees, and expenses resulting from the following requirements that will appear as Exceptions in Schedule B of the Policy, unless you dispose of these matters to our satisfaction, before the date the Policy is issued:

1. Documents creating your title or interest must be approved by us and must be signed, notarized and filed for record.
2. Satisfactory evidence must be provided that:
 - no person occupying the land claims any interest in that land against the persons named in paragraph 3 of Schedule A,
 - all standby fees, taxes, assessments and charges against the property have been paid,
 - all improvements or repairs to the property are completed and accepted by the owner, and that all contractors, sub-contractors, laborers and suppliers have been fully paid, and that no mechanic's, laborer's or materialmen's liens have attached to the property,
 - there is legal right of access to and from the land,
 - (on a Mortgagee Policy only) restrictions have not been and will not be violated that affect the validity and priority of the insured mortgage.
3. You must pay the seller or borrower the agreed amount for your property or interest.
4. Any defect, lien or other matter that may affect title to the land or interest insured, that arises or is filed after the effective date of this Commitment.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

FOR INFORMATION, OR TO MAKE A COMPLAINT CALL OUR TOLL-FREE TELEPHONE NUMBER

1-800-_____

ALSO YOU MAY CONTACT THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE AT

1-800-252-3439

to obtain information on:

1. filing a complaint against an insurance company or agent,
2. whether an insurance company or agent is licensed,
3. complaints received against an insurance company or agent,
4. policyholder rights, and
5. a list of consumer publications and services available through the Department.

YOU MAY ALSO WRITE TO THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE

P.O. BOX 149104

AUSTIN, TEXAS 78714-9104

FAX NO. (512) 475-1771

AVISO IMPORTANTE

PARA INFORMACIÓN, O PARA SOMETER UNA QUEJA LLAME AL NUMERO GRATIS

1-800-_____

TAMBIEN PUEDE COMUNICARSE CON EL DEPARTAMENTO DE SEGUROS DE TEXAS AL

1-800-252-3439

para obtener información sobre:

1. como someter una queja en contra de una compañía de seguros o agente de seguros,
2. si una compañía de seguros o agente de seguros tiene licencia,
3. quejas recibidas en contra de una compañía de seguros o agente de seguros,
4. los derechos del asegurado, y
5. una lista de publicaciones y servicios para consumidores disponibles a través del Departamento.

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