

**Small Claims or Debt Claim Case Appeal Bond (Surety)**

**Instructions:** A party may appeal a judgment in a Small Claims Case or a Debt Claim Case by filing a bond. The party filing the appeal is called the "appellant." To appeal, a plaintiff must file a bond in the amount of \$500.00. The defendant must file a bond in an amount equal to twice the amount of the judgment. A bond must be supported by at least one surety approved by the judge. The bond must be payable to the appellee and must be conditioned on the appellant's prosecution of the appeal to effect and payment of any judgment and all costs rendered against appellant on appeal. Within 7 days of filing the appeal bond, the appellant must serve written notice of the appeal on all other parties. **Rule506.1**

Case No. \_\_\_\_\_ § In the Justice Court of  
\_\_\_\_\_ § Harris County, Texas  
Plaintiff §  
vs. §  
\_\_\_\_\_ § Precinct \_\_\_\_\_, Place \_\_\_\_\_  
Defendant §

**The State of Texas  
County of Harris**

**Appeal by Defendant:**

To appeal the Judgment, \_\_\_\_\_, Appellant, and  
\_\_\_\_\_, as Surety,  
acknowledge themselves firmly bound to \_\_\_\_\_, Appellee,  
in double the amount of the Judgment, calculated as \$\_\_\_\_\_.

The conditions of this obligation are that the Defendant-Appellant shall prosecute this appeal to effect, and shall pay off and satisfy the judgment which may be rendered against Defendant-Appellant on appeal, provided the sureties will not be liable in an amount greater than the amount of the bond.

**Appeal by Plaintiff:**

To appeal the Judgment, \_\_\_\_\_, Appellant, and  
\_\_\_\_\_, as Surety,  
acknowledge themselves firmly bound to \_\_\_\_\_, Appellee,  
in the amount of \$500.00.

The conditions of this obligation are that the Plaintiff-Appellant shall prosecute this appeal to effect, and shall pay off and satisfy the judgment which may be rendered against Plaintiff-Appellant on appeal, provided the sureties will not be liable in an amount greater than the amount of the bond.

**Notice of the filing of this Bond will be given to all parties to the suit within seven (7) days following the filing of the bond.**

Signed on \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
*Signature of Appellant*  
Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Fax: \_\_\_\_\_  
E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ TDL: \_\_\_\_\_

Signed on \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
*Signature of Surety*  
Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Fax: \_\_\_\_\_  
E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ TDL: \_\_\_\_\_

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT**

This instrument was acknowledged before me on \_\_\_\_\_, by \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name:  
Title:

**Civil Case Appeal Bond — Surety**

THE STATE OF TEXAS §

COUNTY OF HARRIS §

I swear that I am worth, in my own right, at least the sum shown in the foregoing bond, after deducting from my property all that which is exempt by the Constitution and laws of the State from forced sale, and after the payment of all my debts of every description, whether individual or security debts, and after satisfying all encumbrances upon my property which are known to me; that I reside in Harris County, and have property in this State liable to execution worth said amount or more.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Surety's Signature Date  
Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME on \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
NOTARY PUBLIC, State of Texas

APPROVED:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Judge Presiding Date

**SURETY'S FINANCIAL INFORMATION**

**ASSETS**

Cash on Hand	\$ _____
Money on Deposit in Checking and Savings Accounts	\$ _____
Present Value of Automobile(s)	
Year, Make and Model _____	\$ _____
Year, Make and Model _____	\$ _____
Present Value of Other Vehicles (Boats, Watercraft, Motorcycles, etc.)	
Year, Make and Model _____	\$ _____
Year, Make and Model _____	\$ _____
Stocks and Bonds	\$ _____
Other Personal Property (located in Texas)	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
Real Property Located in Texas (other than homestead)	
_____ County _____	\$ _____
_____ County _____	\$ _____

**INCOME**

Salary (Employer: _____)	
Employer Address _____	
Employer Telephone _____)	\$ _____
Investment income: _____	\$ _____
Other Income: _____	\$ _____

**LIABILITIES**

Mortgage(s) on Non-Homestead Real Property (located in Texas)	\$ _____
Loans Secured by Automobiles	\$ _____
Loans Secured by Other Vehicles	\$ _____
Loans Secured by Personal Property (located in Texas)	\$ _____
Unsecured Loans	\$ _____
Other Liabilities (Describe: _____)	\$ _____

Signed on \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Surety's Signature

SURETY APPROVED on \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Judge Presiding