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What you should know when signing for a bail bond

INDEMNITOR-COSIGNER

It is the responsibility of the indemnitor to see that the premium is paid. A bail bond is an appearance bond and is good for one year. If the case continues longer than a year, an additional premium is due and is collected for each additional year. These premiums are not refundable and upon release of the defendant are fully earned.

Any expenses incurred in the transaction of a bail bond, such as long distance telephone calls, travel, or posting fees are to be paid by the indemnitor to the bail agent.

In a case of forfeiture (failure of the defendant to appear), it is the duty of the indemnitor to pay the full amount of the bail and/or locate the defendant for surrender.

If the defendant or indemnitor changes residence address or employment, it is the responsibility of the indemnitor to notify the agent within 48 hours. Failure to do this may be cause for the immediate surrender of the defendant.

IF THE DEFENDANT DOES NOT APPEAR

The defendant is obligated by the bail agreement to appear at each and every court appearance required by the court. The failure to do so will result in the forfeiture of the bond as well as the issuance of an arrest warrant. As an indemnitor, you would be required to return the defendant into court immediately to reinstate the bond or surrender him/her back into custody.

Failure to act immediately can add up additional expenses, such as tracing fees, court costs, and attorney fees if legal action is taken. The indemnitor is liable for all such fees.

GETTING OFF THE BOND LIABILITY

You are no longer liable for the defendant's bond when he/she has completed all of their court appearances, and when all premiums have been paid. It is best to contact the agent when the bond is exonerated by the court.

In the event of forfeiture, the indemnitor is liable until the full amount of the bail has been paid, plus any expenses incurred or until the court exonerates the bond. The bond then becomes void.

If you have any further questions regarding the liability of the indemnitor, please ask and we will be happy to answer them.



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