Effective Date:

THIS ENDORSEMENT CHANGES THE POLICY. PLEASE READ IT CAREFULLY INSURANCE AGENTS AND BROKERS PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY INSURANCE Claims - Made and Reported

THIS IS A **CLAIMS** - MADE AND REPORTED POLICY. PLEASE READ THIS POLICY CAREFULLY. OUR LIMIT OF LIABILITY AVAILABLE WILL BE REDUCED BY THE AMOUNTS PAID FOR **DAM-AGES** AND **CLAIM EXPENSES**.

Throughout this policy the words you and your refer to the **Named Insured** as defined in Section II. L. The words we, us and our refer to Admiral Insurance Company (Company). Words which are in **bold** writing throughout this document are defined terms within the Definitions section of this policy.

In consideration of the premium paid, in reliance upon the statements in the Application(s) which are made a part of this policy and subject to the terms and conditions of this policy, the Company agrees with the **Named Insured** as follows:

I. INSURING AGREEMENTS

- A. We will pay on behalf of the **Insured** those amounts which the **Insured** is legally obligated to pay as **damages** caused by a **professional incident** taking place within the **policy** territory and subsequent to the retroactive date and prior to the expiration or termination date of this policy, for which a **claim** is first made against the **Insured** during the **policy period** and reported to us in writing during the **policy period** or any applicable extended reporting period, as described in Section VI Extended Reporting Period; provided that prior to the inception date of this policy, no **Insured** knew, nor could have reasonably foreseen, that the **professional incident** might result in a **claim**.
- B. We have the right and duty to defend any claim brought against the Insured seeking damages caused by a professional incident to which this insurance applies, including the right to appoint counsel to defend the Insured, and will do so even if any of the allegations of the claim are groundless, false or fraudulent. We may make such investigation of any claim as we deem expedient. Our right and duty to defend ends when we have exhausted the applicable Limits of Liability in the payment of damages and/or claim expenses, or have tendered the applicable Limits of Liability to a court of competent jurisdiction. We have no obligation or duty to defend any claim for which coverage is excluded hereunder or not otherwise afforded by this policy and we are not obligated to pay any claim expenses incurred by the Insured in the defense of any claim not covered by this policy.
- C. We will have the right to make, with the consent of the Named Insured, any settlement of a claim under this policy. If the Named Insured refuses to consent to a settlement within the policy's applicable Limits of Liability that is recommended by us and acceptable to the claimant(s), then the Limits of Liability under this policy will be reduced to the sum of the amount of damages for which the claim could have been settled, plus all claim expenses incurred up to the time we made our recommendation. Additionally, we shall pay fifty percent (50%) of all claim expenses and damages incurred after the Named Insured's refusal to consent, subject at all times to the applicable Limits of Liability as specified in Section VII. LIMITS OF LIABILITY AND DEDUCTIBLE. At all times, we shall retain the right and duty to defend any claim brought against the Insured seeking damages caused by a professional incident to which this insurance applies, including the right to appoint counsel.

II. DEFINITIONS

A. Advertising Activities means a notice that is broadcast or published to the general public or specific market segments about your goods, products or services for the purpose of attracting customers or supporters. For the purpose of this definition:

- 1. Notices that are published include material placed on the Internet or on similar electronic means of communication; and
- 2. Only that part of a web-site that promotes your goods, products or services for the purpose of attracting customers or supporters shall be considered Advertising Activities.
- **B.** Advertising Injury means injury arising out of one or more of the following offenses committed in the course of the Named Insured's Advertising Activities:
 - 1. Libel, slander or defamation;
 - 2. Disparaging a person's or organization's goods, products or services;
 - 3. Misappropriation of advertising ideas or style of doing business;
 - **4.** Piracy or unfair competition;
 - 5. Use of another's advertising ideas; or
 - 6. Infringing upon another's copyright, title, slogan, patent, trademark, trade name, trade dress or service mark in your **advertising activities**.
- **C.** Automobile means a land motor vehicle, trailer or semi-trailer designed for travel on public roads (including any machinery or apparatus attached thereto). Automobile also includes vehicles commonly described as mobile equipment, whether or not self-propelled, subject to vehicle registration or designed for use principally off public roads.
- **D.** Bodily Injury means physical injury, sickness, disease, mental anguish, or emotional distress sustained by a person, including death resulting from any of these at any time.
- E. Claim means:
 - 1. a written demand received for money or services by any **Insured** resulting from a **professional incident**.
 - 2. service of suit against an Insured.

Claim includes Related Claims. Related Claims means two or more Claims arising out of a Professional Incident or Professional Incidents that are logically or causally connected.

- F. Claim Expenses means:
 - 1. Fees, costs and expenses resulting from the investigation, adjustment, settlement and defense of a claim.
 - 2. Allowable expenses of \$250 per day but no more than \$5,000 in total for the compensation of all **Insureds** for personally attending any legal proceeding at our request. These allowable expenses shall not be applied to the applicable limit of liability or to the deductible.
 - **3.** The premiums for appeal, attachment or similar bonds, but only for bond amounts within the applicable Limits of Liability. We do not have to furnish these bonds.
 - 4. Prejudgment interest awarded against the **Insured** on that part of any covered judgment we pay. If we make an offer to pay the applicable Limits of Liability, we will not pay any prejudgment interest based on that period of time after the offer.
 - 5. All interest on the full amount of any covered judgment that accrues after entry of the judgment and before we have paid, offered to pay, or have tendered or deposited to a court of competent jurisdiction the part of the judgment that is within the applicable Limits of Insurance.

Claim Expenses do not include:

- 1. salaries or expenses of our regular employees or officials;
- 2. fines, penalties, or taxes levied against the Insured;
- **3.** fees, costs, or expenses incurred by the **Insured** without our prior written consent. These unilaterally incurred fees, costs, or expenses will not be reimbursed by us nor reduce the deductible under the policy.
- **G. Damages** means a monetary and compensatory judgment, award or settlement, including punitive or exemplary **damages** to the extent such amounts are insurable as defined by applicable law and, or statute.

However, damages shall not include:

1. any **damages**, other than punitive or exemplary **damages**, which are a multiple of compensatory **damages**, taxes or fees;

- 2. amounts the **Insured** is required to pay or return as restitution;
- 3. fines, penalties, sanctions, taxes or fees, other than punitive or exemplary damages, assessed against the Insured;
- 4. judgments or awards arising from acts deemed uninsurable by law;
- 5. fees or charges, including over-charges or cost overruns incurred by any Insured;
- 6. collecting fees of an **Insured** from a third party;
- 7. the return of fees or other compensation paid to an **Insured**;
- 8. non-pecuniary relief.
- H. Disciplinary Proceeding means any proceeding by an administrative, regulatory or disciplinary official, board, or agency to investigate charges of professional misconduct in the performance of or failure to perform professional services. However, Disciplinary Proceeding shall not include a criminal proceeding.
- I. Insured means:
 - 1. the Named Insured;
 - 2. your current and former principals, partners, executive officers, directors, members, managers, stockholders, trustees, and current and former employees while acting on your behalf within the course and scope of their duties as such;
 - 3. in the event of death or incapacity of any **Insured**, their legal representative in his or her capacity as such, for any **claim** against the **Insured**;
 - 4. leased personnel under your supervision, but only while acting on your behalf within the course and scope of their lease agreement and only if the **Named Insured** has agreed in writing to provide insurance to leased personnel;
 - 5. Employed notaries while acting on your behalf within the course and scope of their duties as such;
 - 6. a temporary worker under your supervision, who is furnished to you to substitute for a permanent employee on leave or to meet seasonal or short-term workload conditions;
 - 7. any Subsidiary;
 - 8. any Independent contractors who are natural persons, but only while acting under your direct supervision and on your behalf.
- J. Intellectual Property means property that is created through the intellectual efforts of its creator which is claimed to be protected by law.
- **K.** Mediation means the voluntary and nonbinding process by which the Insured and claimant(s) agree to use a neutral and qualified third party to intercede between the Insured and claimant(s) with the intention to reconcile the Insured and claimant(s) to resolve a claim. Court ordered or imposed mediation or other court ordered dispute resolution are specifically excluded from this definition.
- L. Named Insured means the entity or individual named in the Declarations.
- **M.** Newly Acquired Subsidiary means any entity newly formed or acquired by the Named Insured during the policy period in which the Named Insured has a legal or beneficial interest, but only if each of the following conditions have been satisfied:
 - Within 90 days of such formation or acquisition, the Named Insured has provided the Company with full particulars of such newly acquired subsidiary and the Company has agreed in writing to insure such newly acquired subsidiary, but the Company shall not be required to insure such newly acquired subsidiary; and
 - 2. The Named Insured has paid the additional premium, if any, charged by the Company and has agreed to any amendment of the provisions of this policy.

Coverage for any **newly acquired subsidiary** provided under this policy is limited to **claims** arising out of a **professional incident** that is committed on or after the date such **newly acquired subsidiary** became a **newly acquired subsidiary** and prior to the date such **newly acquired subsidiary** ceased to be a **newly acquired subsidiary**.

N. Other Insurance includes, but is not limited to, coverage or benefits provided by self-insurance arrangements, pools, self-insurance trusts, captive insurance companies, inter-insurance exchanges, mutual insurance companies,

stock insurance companies, risk retention groups, reciprocal exchanges, mutual benefit or assistance programs, or any other plan or agreement of risk assumption.

- O. Personal Injury means injury arising out of one or more of the following offenses:
 - 1. false arrest, detention or imprisonment;
 - 2. malicious prosecution;
 - 3. wrongful entry or wrongful eviction;
 - **4.** invasion of right of private occupancy;
 - 5. oral or written publication of material that slanders or libels a person or organization or defames or disparages a person's or organization's goods, products or services;
 - 6. oral or written publication of material that violates a person's right of privacy.
- **P.** Policy Period means the period from the inception date stated in the Declarations to the expiration date stated in the Declarations, or its earlier termination date, if any.
- Q. Professional Incident means:
 - 1. **personal injury** committed by the **Insured** in the rendering of or failure to render **professional services** by the **Insured** or a person acting under the **Insured's** direction, control or supervision and for whose acts, errors or omissions the **Insured** is legally liable; or
 - 2. a negligent act, error or omission in the rendering of or failure to render **professional services** by the **Insured** or a person acting under the **Insured's** direction, control or supervision and for whose acts, errors or omissions the **Insured** is legally liable.

All **professional incidents** that are logically or causally connected will be deemed one **professional incident** that, for the purpose of determining coverage under this policy, occurred at the time of the earliest act, error or omission.

- **R. Professional Services** means services performed by an **Insured** for others involving specialized training, knowledge and skill while in the pursuit of the business stated in the Declarations.
- S. Property Damage means:
 - 1. physical injury to or destruction of tangible property, including all resulting loss of use of that property; or
 - 2. clean up costs other than for clean up or removal of hazardous substances; or
 - 3. loss of use of tangible property that has not been physically injured or destroyed.
- T. Subsidiary means:
 - 1. any entity of which the **Named Insured** owns, either legally or beneficially, interest on or before the inception date of this Policy;
 - 2. any Newly Acquired Subsidiary.
- U. Suit means a civil proceeding in which damages resulting from a professional incident are alleged. Suit includes an arbitration proceeding to which the Insured is required to submit or to which the Insured has submitted with our consent.

III. INCIDENT REPORTING PROVISIONS

If during the **Policy Period**, you first become aware of any specific and identifiable **professional incident** and during the **Policy Period** give written notice to us of:

- a) The specific professional incident including the date(s) and parties involved; and
- b) The damages which have or may result from such professional incident; and
- c) The circumstances by which you first became aware of such professional incident

For the purposes of this insurance, a professional incident reported under this provision shall be deemed a claim.

IV. POLICY TERRITORY

This policy applies to **professional incidents** anywhere in the world provided the original **suit** for **damages** is first filed and maintained continuously within the United States of America, its territories or possessions and Canada.

V. EXCLUSIONS

This policy does not apply to:

- A. A claim made by an Insured against any other Insured;
- **B.** Any **claim** based upon or arising out of, in whole or in part, directly or indirectly, a wrongful, dishonest, fraudulent, criminal or malicious act if a final, non-appealable judgment or adjudication adverse to the **Insured** establishes such a wrongful, dishonest, fraudulent, criminal or malicious act.

This exclusion does not apply to **Claim Expenses** incurred in defending any such **Claim** alleging the foregoing until such time as there is a final adjudication, judgment, binding arbitration decision or conviction against any **Insured**, or admission by an **Insured**, establishing such wrongful, criminal, dishonest, fraudulent or malicious conduct or a plea of nolo contendere or no contest regarding such conduct, at which time the **Named Insured** shall reimburse us for all **Claim Expenses** incurred defending the **Claim** and we shall have no further liability for **Claim Expenses**.

This exclusion does not apply to any liability of the **Named Insured** or any **Insured** that did not personally participate in or personally commit the wrongful, dishonest, fraudulent, criminal or malicious act, if coverage would otherwise be afforded by this policy for the resulting **damages**.

- **C.** any **claim** based upon or arising out of, in whole or in part, directly or indirectly, the ownership, maintenance, use, loading, unloading, or entrustment to others, including the loaning thereof, of:
 - 1. any airplane, helicopter or aircraft;
 - 2. any **automobile**, motorcycle, moped, truck, three-wheeler, snowmobile or other motor vehicle of whatever type or nature, whether designed for travel on or off public roads; or
 - **3.** any motor or sail boats or other watercraft, of whatever type or nature, owned, operated, rented by or loaned to any **Insured**.
- **D**. any claim based upon or arising out of, in whole or in part, directly or indirectly, the insolvency or bankruptcy of any **Insured**;
- **E.** any **claim** based upon or arising out of, in whole or in part, directly or indirectly, discrimination, violation of civil rights, or any allegation that a person was subjected to unfair treatment or a denial or reduction of benefits, privileges or accommodation in violation of any law, statute, ordinance or regulation designed to ensure equal access to opportunities, goods, services, facilities, and accommodations;
- **F.** any **claim** based upon or arising out of, in whole or in part, directly or indirectly, sexual harassment, coercion, quidpro-quo offer of **professional services** for sexual favors, or other verbal or physical conduct of a sexual nature;
- G. any claim based upon or arising out of, in whole or in part, directly or indirectly, sexual abuse;
- **H.** any **claim** based upon or arising out of, in whole or in part, directly or indirectly, any **Insured's** activities as owner, sole proprietor, superintendent, executive officer, director, partner, trustee or employee of any organization which is not shown as a **Named Insured** on this policy;
- I. any claim based upon or arising out of, directly or indirectly, in whole or in part, the presence, discharge, dispersal, release or escape of smoke, vapors, soot, fumes, acids, alkalis, toxic chemicals, liquids or gases, oil or other petro-leum substances or derivatives, waste materials or other irritants, contaminants, pollutants or any substances including asbestos which are or may be injurious to public health or the environment (herein called hazardous substances) into or upon land, the atmosphere or any water course or body of water or indoors.

It is further agreed that this policy does not apply to any **claim** or liability including expenses for:

- 1. the costs of clean up or removal of hazardous substances; or
- 2. the cost of such actions as may be necessary to monitor, assess and evaluate, the presence, discharge, dispersal, escape, release, or threat of same, of hazardous substances; or
- 3. the cost of disposal of hazardous substances or the taking of such other action as may be necessary to temporarily or permanently prevent, minimize, or mitigate damage to the public health or welfare or to the environment, which may otherwise result; or
- 4. any loss, cost, or expense arising out of any government direction or request that the **Named Insured** test for, monitor, clean up, remove, contain, treat, detoxify or neutralize pollutants.

- J. any claim for which you or any carrier as your insurer may be liable, under any Workers' Compensation, Unemployment Compensation, Disability Benefits Law, the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 and as amended, or under any similar law or regulation; or to any liability of the **Insured** arising out of the injury, sickness, disease or death resulting therefrom of any employee of any **Insured** arising out of and in the course of his employment by the **Insured**;
- **K.** any **claim** based upon or arising out of, directly or indirectly, in whole or in part, any nuclear reaction, radiation or contamination, under any circumstances and regardless of cause, within or originating from a nuclear facility;
- L. any claim based upon or arising out of, directly or indirectly, in whole or in part, any misappropriation, infringement, or use of a copyright, title, slogan, patent, trademark, trade-name, trade dress, service mark, domain name, trade secret or any violation of an intellectual property right or law;
- M. any claim based upon or arising out of, directly or indirectly, in whole or in part, bodily injury, property damage, advertising injury;
- N. any claim based upon or arising out of, in whole or in part, directly or indirectly, liability you assume under any contract or agreement; however, this exclusion does not apply to liability you would have in the absence of such contract or agreement;
- **O.** any **claim** against an **Insured** that is **brought** by or on behalf of any federal, state or local government agency or professional or trade licensing organization, however, this exclusion shall not apply where the **claim** alleges a **professional incident**;
- P. any claim alleging, in whole or in part, directly or indirectly, an Insured exceeded a contract price, cost guarantee or cost estimate;
- Q. any claim based upon or arising out of, in whole or in part, directly or indirectly, express warranties or guarantees;
- **R.** any claim based upon or arising out of, in whole or in part, directly or indirectly, fee disputes;
- **S.** any **claim** based upon or arising out of, in whole or in part, directly or indirectly, the deficiency or malfunction of any product, process, technique or equipment which is sold, manufactured or furnished by or on behalf of the **Insured**;
- **T.** any **claim** based upon or arising out of, directly or indirectly, any **claim** or circumstance that is reported to any other insurer by any **Insured** prior to the effective date of this policy;
- **U.** any **claim** based upon or arising out of, directly or indirectly, any refusal to employ; termination of employment; or coercion, demotion, discipline, evaluation, reassignment or other employment-related act, omission, policy or practice. This exclusion applies whether you are held liable as an employer or in any other capacity.
- V. any liability based upon or arising out of any commingling, conversion or misappropriation of funds or accounts or the inability or failure to pay or collect premium, commission, claim or tax money;
- W. any claim based upon or arising out of, in whole or in part, directly or indirectly, a cease and desist order, insolvency, bankruptcy, licensing, receivership, liquidation or inability to pay of any insurer, trust, organization, risk retention group, health maintenance organization, preferred provider organization or other vehicle directly or indirectly in which any insured has placed or obtained insurance coverage or placed the funds of a client or account; however, this exclusion shall not apply to any claim arising out of a cease and desist order, insolvency, bankruptcy, licensing, receivership, liquidation or inability to pay of a state compensation insurance fund or any insurer rated B+ or better according to A.M. Best Ratings at the time of the placement of such coverage;
- X. any claim based upon or arising out of, in whole or in part, directly or indirectly, the notarized certification or acknowledgement of a signature without the physical appearance before a notary public, who is insured hereunder, of the person who is, or claims to be, the person signing said instrument;
- **Y.** any **claim** based upon or arising out of, in whole or in part, directly or indirectly, investment advice or while acting as an investment counselor, securities or investment broker or financial advisor, or arising out of the failure to invest or the lack of performance of any investment or from any variation in the market value of any investment, or the sale of mutual funds or variable annuities; however, this exclusion shall not apply to the sale of fixed annuity products related to the **Insured's** activities as a Life Insurance Agent;
- **Z.** any **claim** based upon or arising out of, in whole or in part, directly or indirectly, the **Insured's** ownership or management of any insurer, reinsurer, risk retention group, captive or any other entity which was formed or acquired to assume risk;

With respect to Exclusions E., F., I., M, and U., these exclusions shall not apply to a **Claim** caused by your alleged or actual failure to effect or maintain any insurance or bond, in whole or in part, or on any particular terms or with any particular limits.

VI. EXTENDED REPORTING PERIOD

As a condition precedent to your right to obtain an Automatic Extended Reporting Period (AERP) or an Extended Reporting Period (ERP), the full premium of this policy, premium for endorsements or audits, and payment of deductibles must have been paid in full. Neither the AERP nor the ERP reinstate or increase the Limits of Liability. Neither the AERP nor the ERP reinstate or coverage afforded by this policy.

A. Automatic Extended Reporting Period (AERP)

If we or you cancel or non-renew this policy for any reason other than non-payment of premium, non-payment of deductible, non-compliance with any terms and conditions of this policy, fraud or material misrepresentation then you shall be entitled to an Automatic Extended Reporting Period (AERP) period of (60) sixty days from the date of policy expiration or cancellation to report **claims** in writing to us which are first made against the **Insured** during the **policy period** and arise out of a **professional incident** which takes place subsequent to the retroactive date and prior to the policy expiration or cancellation date. If the ERP in Section B. below is purchased then this AERP shall be included within such ERP.

B. Extended Reporting Period (ERP)

If we or you cancel or non-renew this policy for any reason other than non-payment of premium, non-payment of deductible, non-compliance with any terms and conditions of this policy, fraud or material misrepresentation then you shall be entitled to purchase an ERP from the options below which begins from the date of policy expiration or cancellation to report **claims** in writing to us which are first made against the **Insured** during the **policy period** or ERP and arise out of a **professional incident** which takes place subsequent to the retroactive date and prior to the policy expiration or cancellation date.

- **1.** ERP Options
 - **a.** One year for a premium not to exceed 125% of the **ann**ual premium.
 - **b.** Two years for a premium not to exceed 150% of the annual premium.
 - c. Three years for a premium not to exceed 175% of the annual premium.
- 2. Your right to purchase the ERP must be exercised by notice in writing to us no later than (30) thirty days after the expiration or cancellation date of this policy and must include payment of premium for the ERP. Upon receipt of the written notice to us and the premium for the ERP, the entire premium is deemed fully earned and is non-refundable.

VII. LIMITS OF LIABILITY AND DEDUCTIBLE

- A. The Limits of Liability stated in the Declarations is the maximum we will pay regardless of the number of **Insureds**, individuals or organizations that make a **claim**, or number of **claims** made.
- **B.** Limit of Liability Aggregate

The Limit of Liability – Aggregate, as stated in the Declarations, is the maximum amount we will pay for all **claim expenses** and **damages** for all **claims** covered under this policy.

C. Limit of Liability – Each Claim

Subject to the Limit of Liability - Aggregate, the Limit of Liability – Each Claim, as stated in the Declarations, is the maximum amount we will pay for claim expenses and damages attributable to any one claim covered under this policy.

- **D.** Our duty to defend will end when our Limits of Liability have been exhausted by payment of **claim expenses** and/or **damages** or have been tendered to a court of competent jurisdiction.
- E. Deductible

The deductible amount stated in the Declarations applies to each **claim** and shall be paid by the **Named Insured**. The deductible applies to **claim expenses** and **damages** and is part of and not in addition to the Limits of Liability stated in the Declarations. We may advance payment of part or all of the deductible amount and upon notification of such payment being made, the **Insured** must promptly reimburse the Company for the deductible amounts advanced by us.

F. Mediation of Claim

If **mediation** is used as a means to resolve a **claim** made against the **Insured**, and such **claim** is resolved solely, directly and immediately by the **mediation**, then the deductible obligation of the **Insured** shall be reduced by 50%, subject to a maximum credit of \$25,000. We shall reimburse the **Insured** for any applicable payment made prior to the **mediation** as soon as practicable after the conclusion of the **mediation**.

G. Supplementary Payments

We will reimburse the **Insured** for reasonable attorney's fees, costs and expenses incurred in responding to a **disciplinary proceeding** that is both first brought by a licensing authority against the **Insured** and reported in writing to the **Company** during the **policy period** by reason of a **professional incident** in the performance of **Professional Services** taking place subsequent to the retroactive date and prior to the expiration date or termination date of this policy. The maximum amount payable, regardless of the number of **disciplinary proceedings** or the number of **Insureds**, shall be \$5,000 per **policy period**. The Company shall not be obligated to defend any **disciplinary proceeding**. Or pay any fine, penalty or award resulting from any **disciplinary proceeding**. Any payment made by us under this provision shall be in addition to the applicable Limits of Liability of this Policy and shall not be subject to any retention.

VIII. CONDITIONS

A. INSURED'S DUTIES IN THE EVENT OF A CLAIM

- 1. If a **claim** to which this policy applies is made against an **Insured**, you must give us written notice, as soon as practicable, but in no event, subject to Section VI EXTENDED REPORTING PERIOD, no later than policy expiration or cancellation date at Admiral Insurance Company (A Berkley Company), Attention: Claims Department, Mt. Laurel Corporate Park, 1000 Howard Blvd., P.O. Box 5430, Suite 300, Mt. Laurel, NJ 08054. Or e-mail: <u>admclaims@admiralins.com</u>.
- 2. All **Insureds** must fully cooperate with us in the conduct, defense and investigation of any **claim** or **suit**. Upon the Company's request, we may require the **Insured** to submit to an examination under oath; provide us with written statements as requested by us or your attendance at meetings with us; produce and make available records, documents and other materials which we deem relevant to the **claim**; attend hearings, depositions and trials; assist in affecting settlements, securing and giving evidence and obtaining the attendance of witnesses.
- 3. The **Insured** must not make any payment, admit any liability, settle any **claim**, assume any obligations, or accept or reject arbitration without our prior written consent.
- 4. The **Insured** must do whatever is necessary to secure and affect any rights of indemnity, contribution or apportionment that the **Insured** may have.
- 5. The **Insured** shall accept our assignment of counsel and the **Insured** shall refrain from discussing any **claim** or **suit** with anyone other than counsel retained to represent the **Insured** or our representatives.
- B. Transfer of Rights of Recovery

If there is a payment made by us, we shall be subrogated to all of the **Insured's** rights of recovery against any person or organization. The **Insured** will cooperate with us and do whatever is necessary to secure these rights.

C. Other Insurance

This Insurance shall apply in excess of any other valid and collectible insurance available to any Insured, whether such insurance is stated to be primary, contributory, excess, contingent or other, including any self-insured retention or deductible portion thereof, unless such **other insurance** is written only as a specific excess insurance over the Limit of Liability provided in this Policy.

This condition does not apply to **other insurance** that is written to apply in excess of the limits provided by this policy.

D. Changes Made to this Policy

The terms and conditions of this policy cannot be waived or changed except by specific written endorsement issued by us and made part of the policy.

E. Assignment of the Insured's Interest

The interest of the **Insured** under this policy is not assignable to any other person or organization, except with the Company's written consent.

F. Cancellation

This policy may be canceled by the **Named Insured** by returning the policy to us or our authorized representatives. The **Named Insured** can also cancel this policy by written notice to us stating at what future date cancellation is to be effective. If the **Named Insured** cancels, earned premium shall be computed using the customary short rate table or the amount stated elsewhere in this policy as Minimum Earned Premium, whichever is greater.

We can cancel the policy by written notice to the **Named Insured**, at the address last known to us. We will provide written notice at least thirty (30) days before cancellation is to be effective and the earned premium will be computed pro rata. However, if we cancel because you fail to pay a premium or deductible when due, only ten (10) days written notice of cancellation will be given and earned premium will be computed using the customary short rate table.

The mailing of any notice of cancellation shall be sufficient proof of notice. This policy will terminate on the effective date of the cancellation. Return of unearned premium is not a condition of cancellation. Unearned premium will be returned by us as soon as practicable.

G. Bankruptcy

Bankruptcy or insolvency of the **Insured** or the **Insured's** estate shall not relieve us of any of our obligations under this policy.

H. Application

The statements made in any Application(s) and any supplementary material(s) are deemed to be made on behalf of the **Named Insured** and all other **Insureds** and are deemed material. Upon the binding of coverage, the Application(s) shall be attached and become part of this policy. This policy is issued based upon the truth and accuracy of the representations made in any Application(s) and any supplementary material(s). This policy is void as to the **Named Insured** and all other **Insureds** in any case of fraud and/or misrepresentation made in any Application(s) or any supplementary material(s).

I. Audit

We may examine and audit your books and records at any time during the **policy period** and within three (3) years after the expiration or termination date of this policy, as far as they relate to this policy.

J. Action Against Us

No action shall be brought against us by any **Insured**, unless, as a condition precedent thereto:

- 1. all Insureds have fully complied with all the terms and conditions of this policy; and
- 2. the amount of **damages** has been fixed or rendered certain;
 - a. by final judgment against the Insured after trial of the issues; or
 - **b.** the time to appeal such judgment has expired without an appeal being taken; or
 - c. if appeal is taken, after the appeal has been determined; or
 - **d.** the **claim** is settled in accordance with the terms and conditions of this policy.

In no event shall any action brought by anyone be maintained against us unless such action is brought within twentyfour (24) months from the time the right to bring action first became available.

K. False or Fraudulent **Claims**

If an **Insured** reports any **claim** knowing such **claim** to be false or fraudulent, this policy shall become void and all insurance coverage hereunder shall be forfeited as of the inception date of this policy.

L. Terms and Conditions of Policy Conformed to Statute

Where necessary, the terms and conditions of this policy will be amended to conform to applicable law.

M. Premium

The premium amount for this policy is stated in the Declarations and is for coverage for the **policy period**. If during the **policy period** there is a change in coverage afforded, we have the right to adjust the premium as of the date of change. Any premium adjustment shall be made in accordance with our prevailing rules and rates.

Premium shown as advance premium is a minimum and deposit premium. At the close of each audit period we will compute the earned premium for that period. Audit premiums are due and payable by notice to the first **Named Insured**.

If the premium for this policy is a flat premium, it is not subject to adjustment.

This policy shall not be binding upon the Company unless completed by an Application(s) which is/are made a part of this policy and a Declarations Page, countersigned on the aforesaid Declarations Page by a duly authorized representative of the Company.

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