

#### **AXIS INSURANCE**

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SOLELY AS RESPECTS CLAIMS-MADE LIABILITY COVERAGES UNDER THE POLICY FOR WHICH THIS APPLICATION IS BEING SUBMITTED: THIS INSURANCE POLICY PROVIDES COVERAGE ON A CLAIMS-MADE AND REPORTED BASIS AND APPLIES ONLY TO CLAIMS FIRST MADE AGAINST THE INSURED DURING THE POLICY PERIOD OR ANY APPLICABLE EXTENDED REPORTING PERIOD AND REPORTED TO THE INSURER AS SET FORTH IN THE REPORTING OF CLAIMS AND EVENTS SECTION DEFENSE COSTS ARE INCLUDED IN THE LIMITS OF INSURANCE, AND PAYMENT THEREOF WILL ERODE, AND MAY EXHAUST, THE LIMITS OF INSURANCE.

### **ABOUT THIS APPLICATION**

- The term "Applicant," herein refers individually and collectively to all proposed insureds. All responses shall be deemed made on behalf of all proposed insureds.
- This Application and all materials submitted herewith shall be held in confidence.
- The submission of this Application does not obligate the Applicant to buy insurance nor is the Insurer obligated to sell insurance or to offer insurance upon any specific terms requested.
- If the policy applied for is issued, this Application, which shall include all Supplemental Applications and material and information submitted in connection with this Application, will be deemed attached to and will form a part of the policy.

## **INSTRUCTIONS**

- Respond to all questions completely, leaving no blanks. Check responses when requested.
- If space is insufficient, continue responses on your letterhead.
- This Application must be completed, dated, and signed by an authorized officer of the entity identified in the section entitled "Applicant Information" below.

## **APPLICANT INFORMATION**

- 1.Name of Applicant's firm:
- 2.Please indicate the percentage of the Applicant's total income derived from the following services (must equal 100%):

Business Tax Services %

Estate Tax Services %

Bookkeeping/Write-Up %

Compilation %

Review %

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Audit (public clients)	%
Audit (non-public clients)	%
Forecast/Projections	%
Business Planning	%
Business Valuation	%
Financial Planning	%
Litigation Consulting	%
Fiduciary Services	%
Assurance Services	%
Billing or Bill Pay Services	%
Payroll Services	%
Other – please specify	%

3.Does the Applicant provide any services as a CPA?	Yes	No		
Please Note: Claims from services which can only be performed by a licensed professional will be excluded.				
4.Is the Applicant an enrolled Agent?	Yes	No		
5.Does the Applicant have discretionary authority to invest or control client funds? (Bill pay and/or payroll are not considered "discretionary control")	Yes	No		
6.Does the Applicant have procedures to ensure the current applicable tax laws are being followed?	Yes	No		
7.Has the applicant been subjected to a tax preparer's fine or penalty levied by the Internal Revenue Service, or to disciplinary action by any state board of accountancy, AICPA or state society?	Yes	No		

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## WARNING

PLEASE REVIEW THE STATE FRAUD STATEMENT CONTAINED AT THE END OF THIS APPLICATION APPLICABLE TO THE STATE IN WHICH THE APPLICANT RESIDES.

Any person who, with intent to defraud or knowingly facilitates a fraud against the insurer, submits an application or files a claim containing a false or deceptive statement may be guilty of insurance fraud.

This Application must be signed by the Applicant's Chief Executive Officer, Chief Financial Officer, Chief Operations Officer or General Counsel, or their functional equivalent, unless the Insurer instructs the Applicant otherwise.

Name	Name (signature)
Title	
Date	

## TO BE COMPLETED BY PRODUCERS ONLY:

RETAIL PRODUCER		WHOLESALE PRODUCER	
Producer Name:		Producer Name:	
City, State:		City, State:	
Telephone No.:		Telephone No.:	
License No.:		License No.:	

PRODUCER SIGNATURE:

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#### **STATE FRAUD STATEMENT**

### **ALABAMA**

Any person who knowingly presents a false or fraudulent claim for payment of a loss or benefit or who knowingly presents false information in an application for insurance is guilty of a crime and may be subject to restitution fines or confinement in prison or any combination thereof.

## **ARKANSAS**

Any person who knowingly presents a false or fraudulent claim for payment of a loss or benefit or knowingly presents false information in an application for insurance is guilty of a crime and may be subject to fines and confinement in prison.

### **COLORADO**

It is unlawful to knowingly provide false, incomplete, or misleading facts or information to an insurance company for the purpose of defrauding or attempting to defraud the company. Penalties may include imprisonment, fines, denial of insurance and civil damages. Any insurance company or agent of an insurance company who knowingly provides false, incomplete, or misleading facts or information to a policyholder or claimant for the purpose of defrauding or attempting to defraud the policyholder or claimant with regard to a settlement or award payable from insurance proceeds shall be reported to the Colorado division of insurance within the department of regulatory agencies.

#### DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Warning: It is a crime to provide false or misleading information to an insurer for the purpose of defrauding the insurer or any other person. Penalties include imprisonment and/or fines. In addition, an insurer may deny insurance benefits if false information materially related to a claim was provided by the applicant.

#### **FLORIDA**

Any person who knowingly and with intent to injure, defraud, or deceive any insurer files a statement of claim or an application containing any false, incomplete or misleading information is guilty of a felony of the third degree.

### **KANSAS**

A "fraudulent insurance act" means an act committed by any person who, knowingly and with intent to defraud, presents, causes to be presented or prepares with knowledge or belief that it will be presented to or by an insurer, purported insurer, broker or any agent thereof, any written electronic, electronic impulse, facsimile, magnetic, oral, or telephonic communication or statement as part of, or in support of, an application for the issuance of, or the rating of an insurance policy for personal or commercial insurance, or a claim for payment or other benefit pursuant to an insurance policy for commercial or personal insurance which such person knows to contain materially false information concerning any fact material thereto; or conceals, for the purpose of misleading, information concerning any fact material thereto.

### **KENTUCKY**

Any person who knowingly and with intent to defraud any insurance company or other person files an application for insurance containing any materially false information, or conceals, for the purpose of misleading, information concerning any fact material thereto commits a fraudulent insurance act, which is a crime.

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### **LOUISIANA**

Any person who knowingly presents a false or fraudulent claim for payment of a loss or benefit or knowingly presents false information in an application for insurance is guilty of a crime and may be subject to fines and confinement in prison.

#### MAINE

It is a crime to knowingly provide false, incomplete or misleading information to an insurance company for the purpose of defrauding the company. Penalties may include imprisonment, fines or a denial of insurance benefits.

#### **MARYLAND**

Any person who knowingly or willfully presents a false or fraudulent claim for payment of a loss or benefit or who knowingly or willfully presents false information in an application for insurance is guilty of a crime and may be subject to fines and confinement in prison.

# **NEW JERSEY**

Any person who includes any false or misleading information on an application for an insurance policy is subject to criminal and civil penalties.

### **NEW MEXICO**

Any person who knowingly presents a false or fraudulent claim for payment of a loss or benefit or knowingly presents false information in an application for insurance is guilty of a crime and may be subject to civil fines and criminal penalties.

## **NEW YORK**

Any person who knowingly and with intent to defraud any insurance company or other person files an application for insurance or statement of claim containing any materially false information, or conceals for the purpose of misleading, information concerning any fact material thereto, commits a fraudulent insurance act, which is a crime, and shall also be subject to a civil penalty not to exceed five thousand dollars and the stated value of the claim for each such violation.

# OHIO

Any person who, with intent to defraud or knowing that he is facilitating a fraud against an insurer, submits an application or files a claim containing a false or deceptive statement is guilty of insurance fraud.

# **OKLAHOMA**

WARNING: Any person who knowingly, and with intent to injure, defraud or deceive any insurer, makes any claim for proceeds of an insurance policy containing any false, incomplete or misleading information is guilty of a felony.

# **OREGON**

Any person who knowingly presents a false or fraudulent claim for payment of a loss or benefit or knowingly presents materially false information in an application for insurance may be guilty of a crime and may be subject to fines and confinement in prison.

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In order for us to deny a claim on the basis of misstatements, misrepresentations, omissions or concealments on your part, we must show that:

- A. The misinformation is material to the content of the policy;
- B. We relied upon the misinformation; and
- C. The information was either:
- 1. Material to the risk assumed by us; or
- 2. Provided fraudulently.

For remedies other than the denial of a claim, misstatements, misrepresentations, omissions or concealments on your part must either be fraudulent or material to our interests.

With regard to fire insurance, in order to trigger the right to remedy, material misrepresentations must be willful or intentional.

Misstatements, misrepresentations, omissions or concealments on your part are not fraudulent unless they are made with the intent to knowingly defraud.

### **PENNSYLVANIA**

Any person who knowingly and with intent to defraud any insurance company or other person files an application for insurance or statement of claim containing any materially false information or conceals for the purpose of misleading, information concerning any fact material thereto commits a fraudulent insurance act, which is a crime and subjects such person to criminal and civil penalties.

## **PUERTO RICO**

Any person who knowingly and with the intention of defrauding presents false information in an insurance application, or presents, helps, or causes the presentation of a fraudulent claim for the payment of a loss or any other benefit, or presents more than one claim for the same damage or loss, shall incur a felony and, upon conviction, shall be sanctioned for each violation with the penalty of a fine of not less than five thousand dollars (\$5,000) and not more than ten thousand dollars (\$10,000), or a fixed term of imprisonment for three (3) years, or both penalties. Should aggravating circumstances be present, the penalty thus established may be increased to a maximum of five (5) years, if extenuating circumstances are present, it may be reduced to a minimum of two (2) years.

#### **RHODE ISLAND**

Any person who knowingly presents a false or fraudulent claim for payment of a loss or benefit or knowingly presents false information in an application for insurance is guilty of a crime and may be subject to fines and confinement in prison.

### **TENNESSEE**

It is a crime to knowingly provide false, incomplete or misleading information to an insurance company for the purpose of defrauding the company. Penalties include imprisonment, fines and denial of insurance benefits.

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### **VERMONT**

Any person who knowingly presents a false statement in an application for insurance may be guilty of a criminal offense and subject to penalties under state law.

## **VIRGINIA**

It is a crime to knowingly provide false, incomplete or misleading information to an insurance company for the purpose of defrauding the company. Penalties include imprisonment, fines and denial of insurance benefits.

## **WASHINGTON**

It is a crime to knowingly provide false, incomplete or misleading information to an insurance company for the purpose of defrauding the company. Penalties include imprisonment, fines and denial of insurance benefits.

### **WEST VIRGINIA**

Any person who knowingly presents a false or fraudulent claim for payment of a loss or benefit or knowingly presents false information in an application for insurance is guilty of a crime and may be subject to fines and confinement in prison.

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