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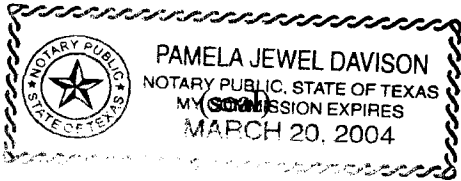
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BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this 27<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2004 personally appeared RANDY J. BAILEY, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same of his own free will for the purposes and consideration therein expressed.

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BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this 27<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2004 personally appeared EDWARD N. EARLE, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same of his own free will for the purposes and consideration therein expressed.

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