



RFQ 13-90-048 County-Wide Labor and Employment Consultation and Representation

**MASTER AGREEMENT FOR LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT  
CONSULTATION AND REPRESENTATION**

**BETWEEN**



**COOK COUNTY GOVERNMENT**

**AND**

**FRANCZEK RADELET, P.C.**

**APPROVED AS AMENDED  
BY THE BOARD OF COOK COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

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# MASTER AGREEMENT FOR LEGAL SERVICES

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## **AGREEMENT**

This Master Agreement for Legal Services ("Agreement") is made and entered into by and between the County of Cook, a public body corporate of the State of Illinois, hereinafter referred to as "County" and Franczek Radelet, P.C., doing business in the State of Illinois hereinafter referred to as "Consultant", pursuant to authorization by the Cook County Board of Commissioners on the 17th day of April, 2013, as evidenced by Board Authorization letter attached hereto as EXHIBIT "4".

## **BACKGROUND**

The County of Cook issued a Request for Qualifications 13-90-048 for County-Wide Labor and Employment Consultation and Representation ("RFQ") on February 11, 2013. Qualifications were evaluated in accordance with the evaluation criteria published in the RFQ. The Consultant was selected based on the qualifications submitted and evaluated by the County representatives. Consultant represents that it has the professional experience and expertise to provide the necessary services and further warrants that it is ready, willing and able to perform in accordance with the terms and conditions as set forth in this Agreement.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the County and Consultant agree as follows:

## **TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

### **ARTICLE 1) INCORPORATION OF BACKGROUND**

The Background information set forth above is incorporated by reference as if fully set forth here.

### **ARTICLE 2) DEFINITIONS**

#### **a) Definitions**

The following words and phrases have the following meanings for purposes of this Agreement:

**"Agreement"** means this Master Agreement for Legal Services, including all exhibits attached to it and incorporated in it by reference, and all amendments, modifications or revisions made in accordance with its terms.

**"Chief Procurement Officer"** means the Chief Procurement Officer for the County of Cook and any representative duly authorized in writing to act on his behalf.

**"Consultant"** means the company, firm, or other entity identified in this Agreement, and such successors or assigns, if any, as may be authorized to perform the Services required by the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

**"Deliverables"** means documents, in any format (electronic or hard copy) requested by the Employer that the Consultant is required to provide under this Agreement or the Letter of Engagement, or that the Consultant would generally provide pursuant to the Illinois Supreme Court Rules or the Illinois Code of Civil Procedure, and may include status reports, briefs, pleadings, discovery, abstracts, motions and memorandum, contracts, agreements, written recommendations, analyses and all other.

**"Employer"** means the Cook County various agencies.

**"Letter of Engagement"** means a document issued by the Employer to the Consultant pursuant to this Agreement that authorizes the Services and/or Deliverables to be provided by the Consultant.

**"Services"** means, those legal services generally described in the RFQ, and Article 3 of this Agreement, and those Services specifically described in the Letter of Engagement, which the Consultant shall perform and complete in accordance with the standard of performance set forth in this Agreement.

**"Subcontractor"** means any person or entity, but shall not include any other attorney or law firm which is not designated in or a party to the Letter of Engagement, with whom Consultant contracts to provide any part of the Services, including subcontractors and sub consultants of any tier, suppliers and materials providers, whether or not in privity with Consultant.

**b) Interpretation**

i) The term **"include"** (in all its forms) means "include, without limitation" unless the context clearly states otherwise.

- ii) All references in this Agreement to Articles, Sections or Exhibits, unless otherwise expressed or indicated are to the Articles, Sections or Exhibits of this Agreement.
- iii) Words importing persons include firms, associations, partnerships, trusts, corporations and other legal entities, including public bodies, as well as natural persons.
- iv) Any headings preceding the text of the Articles and Sections of this Agreement, and any table of contents or marginal notes appended to it, are solely for convenience or reference and do not constitute a part of this Agreement, nor do they affect the meaning, construction or effect of this Agreement.
- v) Words importing the singular include the plural and vice versa. Words of the masculine gender include the correlative words of the feminine and neuter genders.
- vi) All references to a number of days mean calendar days, unless expressly indicated otherwise.

**c) Incorporation of Exhibits**

The following attached Exhibits are made a part of this Agreement:

- Exhibit 1 Scope of Services
- Exhibit 2 Schedule of Compensation
- Exhibit 3 Evidence of Insurance
- Exhibit 4 Board Authorization
- Exhibit 5 Cook County Travel Policy
- Exhibit 6 Sample Letter of Engagement
- Exhibit 7 Economic Disclosure Statement (EDS)

**ARTICLE 3) DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF CONSULTANT**

**a) Scope of Services**

This description of Services is intended to be general in nature and is neither a complete description of Consultant's Services nor a limitation of the Services that Consultant is to provide under this Agreement. The Services shall include, but are not limited to, those described in Exhibit 1, Scope of Services, which is attached to this Agreement and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein. Consultant must provide the Services in accordance with the standards of performance set forth in Section 3c. The Consultant shall perform the Services, which are more specifically described in the Letter of Engagement. A sample Letter of Engagement is attached hereto as Exhibit 6.

**b) Letter of Engagement**

In carrying out its Services, Consultant must prepare or provide to the Employer various Deliverables and provide all other Services set forth in the Letter of Engagement.

The County may reject Deliverables or Services that do not meet the standard of performance as stated in Section 3(c) herein, or do not meet the standards, stated purposes, or satisfy the scope of work set forth in the Letter of Engagement. If the County determines that Consultant has failed to comply with the foregoing standards, it has 30 days from the discovery to notify Consultant of its failure. If Consultant does not correct the failure, and it is possible to do so, within 30 days after receipt of notice from the County specifying the failure, then the County, by written notice, may treat the failure as a default of this Agreement under Article 9.

**c) Standard of Performance**

Consultant must perform all Services required of it under this Agreement with that degree of skill, care and diligence normally shown by attorneys performing services of a scope and purpose and magnitude comparable with the nature of the Services to be provided under this Agreement and Letter of Engagement. Consultant acknowledges that it is entrusted with or has access to valuable and confidential information and records of the County and with respect to that information, Consultant agrees to be held to the standard of care of a fiduciary, and shall observe all Illinois Supreme Court Rules and common-law concerning "attorney-client privilege".

Consultant must assure that all Services that require the exercise of professional skills or judgment are accomplished by professionals qualified and competent in the applicable discipline and appropriately licensed, if required by law. Consultant shall be licensed to practice law in Illinois. Consultant remains responsible for the professional and technical accuracy of all Services furnished, whether by Consultant or its Subcontractors or others on its behalf. All Deliverables must be prepared in a form and content satisfactory to the Employer and delivered in a timely manner consistent with the requirements of this Agreement.

If Consultant fails to comply with the foregoing standards, Consultant must perform again, at its own expense, all Services required to be re-performed as a direct or indirect result of that failure. Any review, approval, acceptance or payment for any of the Services by the County or Employer does not relieve Consultant of its responsibility for the professional skill and care and technical accuracy of its Services required under this Agreement and the Letter of Engagement. This provision in no way limits the County's rights against Consultant either under this Agreement, at law or in equity.

**d) Personnel**

**i) Adequate Staffing**

Consultant must, upon receiving a fully executed copy of this Agreement, assign and maintain during the term of this Agreement and any extension of it an adequate staff of competent personnel that is fully equipped, licensed as appropriate, available as needed, qualified and assigned exclusively to perform the Services. Consultant must include among its staff the Key Personnel and positions as identified in Exhibit 1. The level of staffing may be revised from time to time by notice in writing from Consultant to the County and with written consent of the County, which consent the County will not withhold unreasonably. If the County fails to object to the revision within 14 days after receiving the notice, then the revision will be considered accepted by the County.

**ii) Key Personnel**

Consultant must not reassign or replace Key Personnel without the written consent of the County, or the Employer if the Employer and Consultant have executed a Letter of Engagement, which consent the County and Employer shall not unreasonably withhold. "Key Personnel" means those job titles and the persons assigned to those positions in accordance with the provisions of this Section 3.d (ii). The County or Employer may at any time in writing notify Consultant that the County will no longer accept performance of Services under this Agreement by one or more Key Personnel listed. Upon that notice Consultant must immediately suspend the services of the key person or persons and must replace him or them in accordance with the terms of this Agreement. A list of Key Personnel is found in Exhibit 1, Scope of Services.

**iii) Salaries and Wages**

Consultant and Subcontractors, if any, must pay all salaries and wages due all employees performing Services under this Agreement or Letter of Engagement, unconditionally and at least once a month without deduction or rebate on any account, except only for those payroll deductions that are mandatory by law or are permitted under applicable law and regulations. If in the performance of this Agreement Consultant underpays any such salaries or wages, the Comptroller for the County may withhold, out of payments due to Consultant, an amount sufficient to pay to employees underpaid the difference between the salaries or wages required to be paid under this Agreement and the salaries or wages actually paid these employees for the total number of hours worked. The amounts withheld may be disbursed by the Comptroller for and on account of Consultant to the respective employees to whom they are due. The parties acknowledge that this Section 3.4(c) (iii) is solely for the benefit of the County and that it does not grant any third party beneficiary rights.

**e) Minority and Women's Business Enterprises Commitment**

In the performance of this Agreement, including the procurement and lease of materials or equipment, Consultant must abide by the minority and women's business enterprise commitment requirements of the Cook County Ordinance, (Article IV, Section 34-260-276) except to the extent waived by the Compliance Director. Consultant's completed MBE/WBE Utilization Plan evidencing its compliance with this requirement are a part of this Agreement, in Section 1 of the Economic Disclosure Statement, upon acceptance by the Compliance Director. Consultant must utilize minority and women's business enterprises at the greater of the amounts committed to by the Consultant for this Agreement in accordance with Section 1 of the Economic Disclosure Statement.

**f) Insurance**

Consultant must provide and maintain at Consultant's own expense, during the term of this Agreement and any time period following expiration if Consultant is required to return and perform any of the Services or Additional Services under this Agreement, the insurance coverage and requirements specified below, insuring all operations related to this Agreement.

**i) Insurance To Be Provided**

**Coverage**

**(a) Workers Compensation Insurance**

Workers' Compensation shall be in accordance with the laws of the State of Illinois or any other applicable jurisdiction.

The Workers Compensation policy shall also include the following provisions:

- (1) Employers' Liability coverage with a limit of  
\$1,000,000 each Accident  
\$1,000,000 each Employee  
\$1,000,000 Policy Limit for Disease
- (2) Broad form all states coverage.

(b) **Commercial General Liability Insurance**

The Commercial General Liability shall be on an occurrence form basis to cover bodily injury and property damage including loss of use.

General Liability limits shall not be less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence and \$2,000,000 aggregate combined single limit for bodily injury and property damage. The General Liability policy shall include, without limitation the following coverage:

- (a) All premises and operations;
- (b) Independent Contractor's Protection Liability;
- (c) Contractual Liability;
- (d) Products/Completed Operations;
- (e) Employees included as additional insured;
- (f) Broad Form Property Damage Liability;
- (g) Cross Liability.

(c) **Comprehensive Automobile Liability Insurance**

When any motor vehicles are used in connection with the Services to be performed, Vendor shall secure Comprehensive Automobile Liability Insurance to cover all owned, non-owned and hired automobiles, trucks and trailers. The Comprehensive Automobile Liability Insurance limits shall not be less than the following:

- (a) Liability - All Autos: Bodily Injury & Property Damage - \$1,000,000 per Occurrence
- (b) Uninsured/Underinsured Motorists: Per Illinois Requirements

(d) **Umbrella/Excess Liability Insurance**

In addition to the coverage and limits specified above, Vendor shall secure and maintain a limit of liability no less than:

- (a) \$3,000,000 each occurrence for all liability

(e) **Professional Errors & Omissions Insurance**

Vendor shall secure Professional Liability insurance covering any and all claims arising out of the performance or nonperformance of professional services for the County under this Agreement. This professional liability insurance shall remain in force for the life of the Vendor's obligations under this Agreement, and shall have a limit of liability of not less than \$5,000,000 with a deductible of not more than \$100,000. If any such policy is written on a claims made form, the retroactive date shall be prior to or coincident with the effective date of this contract. Claims made form coverage shall be maintained by the Vendor for a minimum of three years following the expiration or early termination of this contract and the Vendor shall annually provide the County with proof of renewal.

**Additional requirements**

(a) **Additional Insured**

Cook County, its officials, employees and agents shall be named as additional insured under the Commercial General Liability, Automobile and Umbrella/Excess insurance policies.

(b) **Qualification of Insurers**

All insurance companies providing coverage shall be licensed or approved by the Department of Insurance, State of Illinois, and shall have a financial rating no lower than (A-) VII as listed in A.M. Best's Key Rating Guide, current edition or interim report. Companies with ratings lower than (A-) VII will be acceptable only upon written consent of the Cook County Department of Risk Management.

(c) **Insurance Notices**

All policies of insurance which may be required under terms of this Contract shall be endorsed to provide that the insurance company shall notify the Office of the Chief Procurement Officer at least 30 days prior to the effective date of any cancellation or modification of such policies. Prior to the date on which Vendor commences performance of its part of the work, Vendor shall furnish to the County certificates of insurance maintained by Vendor. The receipt of any

certificate of insurance does not constitute agreement by the County that the insurance requirements have been fully met or that the insurance policies indicated on the certificate of insurance are in compliance with insurance required above.

In no event shall any failure of the County to receive certificates of insurance required hereof or to demand receipt of such Certificates of Insurance be construed as a waiver of Vendor's obligations to obtain insurance pursuant to these insurance requirements.

ii) **Additional Requirements**

Consultant must furnish the County of Cook, Cook County, Office of the Chief Procurement Officer, 118 N, Clark St., Room 1018, Chicago, IL 60602, original Certificates of Insurance, or such similar evidence, to be in force on the date of this Agreement, and Renewal Certificates of Insurance, or such similar evidence, if the coverage have an expiration or renewal date occurring during the term of this Agreement. Consultant must submit evidence of insurance on the County Insurance Certificate Form (copy attached as Exhibit 2 or equivalent prior to Agreement award. The receipt of any certificate does not constitute agreement by the County that the insurance requirements in this Agreement have been fully met or that the insurance policies indicated on the certificate are in compliance with all Agreement requirements. The failure of the County to obtain certificates or other insurance evidence from Consultant is not a waiver by the County of any requirements for Consultant to obtain and maintain the specified coverage. Consultant must advise all insurers of the provisions in this Agreement regarding insurance. Non-conforming insurance does not relieve Consultant of the obligation to provide insurance as specified in this Agreement. Nonfulfillment of the insurance conditions may constitute a violation of this Agreement, and the County retains the right to terminate this Agreement or to suspend this Agreement until proper evidence of insurance is provided.

The insurance must provide for 60 days prior written notice to be given to the County in the event coverage is substantially changed, canceled or non-renewed. All deductibles or self-insured retentions on referenced insurance coverage must be borne by Consultant. Consultant agrees that insurers waive their rights of subrogation against the County of Cook, its employees, elected officials, agents or representatives.

(1) The coverage and limits furnished by Consultant in no way limit Consultant's liabilities and responsibilities specified within this Agreement or by law. Any insurance or self-insurance

programs maintained by the County of Cook apply in excess of and do not contribute with insurance provided by Consultant under this Agreement.

(2) The required insurance is not limited by any limitations expressed in the indemnification language in this Agreement or any limitation placed on the indemnity in this Agreement given as a matter of law.

(3) Consultant must require all Subcontractors to provide the insurance required in this Agreement, or Consultant may provide the coverage for Subcontractors. All Subcontractors are subject to the same insurance requirements as Consultant unless otherwise specified in this Agreement. If Consultant or Subcontractor desires additional coverage, the party desiring the additional coverage is responsible for its acquisition and cost.

(4) The County's Risk Management Office maintains the rights to modify, delete, alter or change these requirements. "Risk Management Office" means the Risk Management Office, which is under the direction of the Director of Risk Management and is charged with reviewing and analyzing insurance and related liability matters for the County.

**g) Indemnification**

The Consultant covenants and agrees to indemnify and save harmless the County and its commissioners, officials, employees, agents and representatives, and their respective heirs, successors and assigns, from and against any and all costs, expenses, attorney's fees, losses, damages and liabilities incurred or suffered directly or indirectly from or attributable to any claims arising out of or incident to the performance or nonperformance of this Agreement by the Consultant, or the acts or omissions of the officers, agents, employees, contractors, subcontractors, licensees or invitees of the Consultant. The Consultant expressly understands and agrees that any insurance coverage, which the Consultant is required to provide to the County, shall in no way limit the responsibility to indemnify the County as hereinabove provided.

**h) Confidentiality and Ownership of Documents**

Consultant acknowledges and agrees that information regarding this Agreement is confidential and shall not be disclosed, directly, indirectly or by implication, or be used by Consultant in any way, whether during the term of this Agreement or at any time thereafter, except solely as required in the course of Consultant's performance hereunder. Consultant shall comply with the applicable laws and Illinois Supreme Court Rules, concerning attorney-client privilege and privacy affecting the County or Employer and will not disclose any of County's records, materials, or other data to any third party. Consultant shall not have the right to compile and distribute statistical analyses and reports utilizing data derived from information or data obtained from County without the prior

written approval of County. In the event such approval is given, any such reports published and distributed by Consultant shall be furnished to County without charge.

All documents, data, studies, reports, work product or product created as a result of the performance of this Agreement or Letter of Engagement shall be the property of the County of Cook. It shall be a breach of this Agreement for the Consultant to reproduce or use any documents, data, studies, reports, work product or product obtained from the County of Cook or any Documents created hereby, whether such reproduction or use is for Consultant's own purposes or for those of any third party. During the performance of the Agreement Consultant shall be responsible of any loss or damage to the Documents while they are in Consultant's possession, and any such loss or damage shall be restored at the expense of the Consultant. The County and its designees shall be afforded full access to the Documents and the work at all times.

**i) Examination of Records and Audits**

The Consultant agrees that the Cook County Auditor or any of its duly authorized representatives shall, until expiration of three (3) years after the final payment under this Agreement, have access and the right to examine any books, documents, papers, canceled checks, bank statements, purveyor's and other invoices, and records of the Consultant related to this Agreement, or to Consultant's compliance with any term, condition or provision thereof. The Consultant shall be responsible for establishing and maintaining records sufficient to document the costs associated with performance under the terms of this Agreement.

The Consultant further agrees that it shall include in all of its subcontracts hereunder a provision to the effect that the subcontractor agrees that the Cook County Auditor or any of its duly authorized representatives shall, until expiration of three (3) years after final payment under the subcontract, have access and the right to examine any books, documents, papers, canceled checks, bank statements, purveyor's and other invoices and records of such subcontractor involving transactions relating to the subcontract, or to such subcontractor's compliance with any term, condition or provision thereunder or under this Agreement.

In the event the Consultant receives payment under this Agreement, reimbursement for which is later disallowed by the County, the Consultant shall promptly refund the disallowed amount to the County on request, or at the County's option, the County may credit the amount disallowed from the next payment due or to become due to the Consultant under any contract with the County.

To the extent this Agreement pertains to the Letter of Engagement which may be reimbursable under the Medicaid or Medicare Programs, Consultant shall retain and make available upon request, for a period of four (4) years after furnishing services pursuant to this Agreement, the contract, books, documents and records which are necessary to certify the nature and extent of

the costs of such services if requested by the Secretary of Health and Human Services or the Comptroller General of the United States or any of their duly authorized representatives. If Consultant carries out any of its duties under the Agreement through a subcontract with a related organization involving a value of cost of \$10,000.00 or more over a 12 month period, Consultant will cause such subcontract to contain a clause to the effect that, until the expiration of four years after the furnishing of any service pursuant to said subcontract, the related organization will make available upon request of the Secretary of Health and Human Services or the Comptroller General of the United States or any of their duly authorized representatives, copies of said subcontract and any books, documents, records and other data of said related organization that are necessary to certify the nature and extent of such costs. This paragraph relating to the retention and production of documents is included because of possible application of Section 1861(v) (1) (I) of the Social Security Act to this Agreement; if this Section should be found to be inapplicable, then this paragraph shall be deemed inoperative and without force and effect.

**j) Subcontracting or Assignment of Agreement or Agreement Funds**

Once awarded, this Agreement shall not be subcontracted or assigned, in whole or in part, without the advance written approval of the Chief Procurement Officer, which approval shall be granted or withheld at the sole discretion of the Chief Procurement Officer. The Consultant shall not subcontract any Services set forth in the Letter of Engagement to any outside attorney or law firm which is not a party to the Letter of Engagement. In no case, however, shall such approval relieve the Consultant from its obligations or change the terms of this Agreement. The Consultant shall not transfer or assign any Agreement funds or any interest therein due or to become due without the advance written approval of the Chief Procurement Officer. The unauthorized subcontracting or assignment of this Agreement, in whole or in part, or the unauthorized transfer or assignment of any Agreement funds, either in whole or in part, or any interest therein, which shall be due or are to become due the Consultant shall have no effect on the County and are null and void.

Prior to the commencement of this Agreement or the commencement of Services pursuant to the Letter of Engagement, the Consultant shall identify in writing to the Chief Procurement Officer and the Employer, the names of any and all subcontractors it intends to use in the performance of this Agreement. The Chief Procurement Officer shall have the right to disapprove any subcontractor. Identification of subcontractors to the Chief Procurement Officer shall be in addition to any communications with County offices other than the Chief Procurement Officer. All subcontractors shall be subject to the terms of this Agreement. Consultant shall incorporate into all subcontracts all of the provisions of this Agreement which affect such subcontract. Copies of subcontracts shall be provided to the Chief Procurement Officer upon request.

The Consultant must disclose the name and business address of each subcontractor, attorney, lobbyist, accountant, consultant and any other person or entity that the Consultant has retained or

expects to retain in connection with the matter, as well as the nature of the relationship, and the total amount of the fees paid or estimated to be paid. The Consultant is not required to disclose employees who are paid or estimated to be paid. The Consultant is not required to disclose employees who are paid solely through the Consultant's regular payroll. "Lobbyist" means any person or entity who undertakes to influence any legislation or administrative action on behalf of any person or entity other than: (1) a not-for-profit entity, on an unpaid basis, or (2), himself. "Lobbyist" also means any person or entity any part of whose duties as an employee of another includes undertaking to influence any legislative or administrative action. If the Consultant is uncertain whether a disclosure is required under this Section, the Consultant must either ask the County, whether disclosures are required or make the disclosure.

The County reserves the right to prohibit any person from entering any County facility for any reason. All contractors and subcontractors of the Consultant shall be accountable to the Chief Procurement Officer or his designee while on any County property and shall abide by all rules and regulations imposed by the County.

#### **ARTICLE 4) TERM OF PERFORMANCE**

##### **a) Term of Performance**

This Agreement takes effect as of May 1, 2013 ("Effective Date") through April 30, 2015 or until this Agreement is terminated in accordance with its terms, whichever occurs first.

##### **b) Timeliness of Performance**

i) Consultant must use its best efforts to perform the Services t within the time limits required under this Agreement, or the Letter of Engagement, pursuant to the provisions of Section 4.a and Exhibit 1. Further, Consultant acknowledges that **TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE** and that the failure of Consultant to comply with the time limits described in this Section 4.a may result in economic or other losses to the County.

ii) Neither Consultant nor Consultant's agents, employees or Subcontractors are entitled to any damages from the County, nor is any party entitled to be reimbursed by the County, for damages, charges or other losses or expenses incurred by Consultant by reason of delays or hindrances in the performance of the Services, whether or not caused by the County.

##### **c) Agreement Extension Option**

The Chief Procurement Officer may at any time before this Agreement expires elect to extend this Agreement for up to 2 additional one-year periods under the same terms and conditions as

this original Agreement, except as provided otherwise in this Agreement, by notice in writing to Consultant. After notification by the Chief Procurement Officer, this Agreement must be modified to reflect the time extension in accordance with the provisions of Section 10.c.

## **ARTICLE 5) COMPENSATION**

### **a) Basis of Payment**

The County will pay Consultant according to the Schedule of Compensation in the attached Exhibit 2 for the successful completion of services, or as negotiated in the Letter of Engagement.

### **b) Method of Payment**

All billing statements or statements of work submitted by the Consultant shall be in accordance with the Letter of Engagement. All billing statements or statements of work shall reflect the amounts invoiced by and the amounts paid to the Consultant as of the date of the invoice, and shall be submitted together with a properly completed County Voucher form (29A). Billing statements or statements of work for new charges shall not include "past due" amounts, if any, which amounts must be set forth on a separate billing statement or statement of work. No payments shall be made with respect to billing statement or statement of work, which do not include the County Voucher form or which otherwise fail to comply with the requirements of this paragraph. Consultant shall not be entitled to invoice the County for any late fees or other penalties.

### **c) Funding**

The Board of Commissioners has approved a not to exceed fee for Services provided under this Agreement. Payments under this Agreement must not exceed the not to exceed fee approved by the Board of Commissioners without a written amendment in accordance with Section 10.c. The Consultant shall comply with all billing guidelines, budgets and not exceed fees set forth in the Letter of Engagement.

### **d) Non-Appropriation**

If no funds or insufficient funds are appropriated and budgeted in any fiscal period of the County for payments to be made under this Agreement, then the County will notify Consultant in writing of that occurrence, and this Agreement will terminate on the earlier of the last day of the fiscal period for which sufficient appropriation was made or whenever the funds appropriated for payment under this Agreement are exhausted. Payments for Services completed to the date of

notification will be made to Consultant. No payments will be made or due to Consultant and under this Agreement beyond those amounts appropriated and budgeted by the County to fund payments under this Agreement.

**e) Taxes**

Federal Excise Tax does not apply to materials purchased by the County by virtue of Exemption Certificate No. 36-75-0038K. Illinois Retailers' Occupation Tax, Use Tax and Municipal Retailers' Occupation Tax do not apply to Letter of Engagement, materials or services purchased by the County by virtue of statute. The price or prices quoted herein shall include any and all other federal and/or state, direct and/or indirect taxes which apply to this Agreement. The County's State of Illinois Sales Tax Exemption Identification No. is E-9998-2013-05.

**ARTICLE 6) DISPUTES**

Any dispute arising under this Agreement between the County and Consultant shall be decided by the Chief Procurement Officer. The complaining party shall submit a written statement detailing the dispute and specifying the specific relevant Agreement provision(s) to the Chief Procurement Officer. Upon request of the Chief Procurement Officer, the party complained against shall respond to the complaint in writing within five days of such request. The Chief Procurement Officer will reduce her decision to writing and mail or otherwise furnish a copy thereof to the Consultant. The decision of the Chief Procurement Officer will be final and binding. Dispute resolution as provided herein shall be a condition precedent to any other action at law or in equity. However, unless a notice is issued by the Chief Procurement Officer indicating that additional time is required to review a dispute, the parties may exercise their contractual remedies, if any, if no decision is made within sixty (60) days following notification to the Chief Procurement Officer of a dispute. No inference shall be drawn from the absence of a decision by the Chief Procurement Officer. Notwithstanding a dispute, Consultant shall continue to discharge all its obligations, duties and responsibilities set forth in this Agreement during any dispute resolution proceeding unless otherwise agreed to by the County in writing.

**ARTICLE 7) COMPLIANCE WITH ALL LAWS**

The Consultant shall observe and comply with the laws, ordinances, regulations and codes of the Federal, State, County and other local government agencies which may in any manner affect the performance of this Agreement including, but not limited to, those County Ordinances set forth in the Certifications attached hereto and incorporated herein. Assurance of compliance with this requirement by the Consultant's employees, agents or subcontractors shall be the responsibility of the Consultant.

The Consultant shall secure and pay for all federal, state and local licenses, permits and fees required hereunder.

## **ARTICLE 8) SPECIAL CONDITIONS**

### **a) Warranties and Representations**

In connection with signing and carrying out this Agreement, Consultant:

- i) warrants that Consultant is appropriately licensed under Illinois law to perform the Services required under this Agreement and will perform no Services for which a professional license is required by law and for which Consultant is not appropriately licensed;
- ii) warrants it is financially solvent; it and each of its employees, agents and Subcontractors of any tier are competent to perform the Services required under this Agreement; and Consultant is legally authorized to execute and perform or cause to be performed this Agreement under the terms and conditions stated in this Agreement;
- iii) warrants that it will not knowingly use the services of any ineligible consultant or Subcontractor for any purpose in the performance of its Services under this Agreement;
- iv) warrants that Consultant and its Subcontractors are not in default at the time this Agreement is signed, and have not been considered by the Chief Procurement Officer to have, within 5 years immediately preceding the date of this Agreement, been found to be in default on any contract awarded by the County ;
- v) represents that it has carefully examined and analyzed the provisions and requirements of this Agreement; it understands the nature of the Services required; from its own analysis it has satisfied itself as to the nature of all things needed for the performance of this Agreement; this Agreement is feasible of performance in accordance with all of its provisions and requirements, and Consultant warrants it can and will perform, or cause to be performed, the Services in strict accordance with the provisions and requirements of this Agreement;
- vi) represents that Consultant and, to the best of its knowledge, its Subcontractors are not in violation of the provisions of the Illinois Criminal Code, 720 ILCS 5/33E as amended, and the Illinois Municipal Code, 65 ILCS 5/11-42.1-1; and

vii) acknowledges that any certification, affidavit or acknowledgment made under oath in connection with this Agreement is made under penalty of perjury and, if false, is also cause for termination under Sections 9.1 and 9.3.

**b) Ethics**

i) In addition to the foregoing warranties and representations, Consultant warrants:

(1) no officer, agent or employee of the County is employed by Consultant or has a financial interest directly or indirectly in this Agreement or the compensation to be paid under this Agreement except as may be permitted in writing by the Board of Ethics.

(2) no payment, gratuity or offer of employment will be made in connection with this Agreement by or on behalf of any Subcontractors to the prime Consultant or higher tier Subcontractors or anyone associated with them, as an inducement for the award of a subcontract or order.

**c) Joint and Several Liability**

If Consultant, or its successors or assigns, if any, is comprised of more than one individual or other legal entity (or a combination of them), then under this Agreement, each and without limitation every obligation or undertaking in this Agreement to be fulfilled or performed by Consultant is the joint and several obligation or undertaking of each such individual or other legal entity.

**d) Business Documents**

At the request of the County, Consultant must provide copies of its latest articles of incorporation, by-laws and resolutions, or partnership or joint venture agreement, as applicable.

**e) Conflicts of Interest**

i) No member of the governing body of the County or other unit of government and no other officer, employee or agent of the County or other unit of government who exercises any functions or responsibilities in connection with the Services to which this Agreement pertains is permitted to have any personal interest, direct or indirect, in this Agreement. No member of or delegate to the Congress of the United States or the Illinois General Assembly and no Commissioner of the Cook County Board or County employee is allowed to be admitted to any share or part of this Agreement or to any financial benefit to arise from it.

ii) Consultant covenants that it, and to the best of its knowledge, its Subcontractors if any (collectively, "**Consulting Parties**"), presently have no direct or indirect interest and will not acquire any interest, direct or indirect, in any project or contract that would conflict in any manner or degree with the performance of its Services under this Agreement.

iii) Upon the request of the County, Consultant must disclose to the County its past client list and the names of any clients with whom it has an ongoing relationship. Consultant is not permitted to perform any Services for the County on applications or other documents submitted to the County by any of Consultant's past or present clients. If Consultant becomes aware of a conflict, it must immediately stop work on the assignment causing the conflict and notify the County.

iv) Without limiting the foregoing, if the Consulting Parties assist the County in determining the advisability or feasibility of a project or in recommending, researching, preparing, drafting or issuing a request for qualifications or bid specifications for a project, the Consulting Parties must not participate, directly or indirectly, as a prime, subcontractor or joint venture in that project or in the preparation of a qualifications or bid for that project during the term of this Agreement or afterwards. The Consulting Parties may, however, assist the County in reviewing the qualifications or bids for the project if none of the Consulting Parties have a relationship with the persons or entities that submitted the qualifications or bids for that project.

v) The Consultant further covenants that, in the performance of this Agreement, no person having any conflicting interest will be assigned to perform any Services or have access to any confidential information, as defined in Article 3 of this Agreement. If the County, by the Chief Procurement Officer in her reasonable judgment, determines that any of Consultant's Services for others conflict with the Services Consultant is to render for the County under this Agreement, Consultant must terminate such other services immediately upon request of the County.

vi) Furthermore, if any federal funds are to be used to compensate or reimburse Consultant under this Agreement, Consultant represents that it is and will remain in compliance with federal restrictions on lobbying set forth in Section 319 of the Employer of the Interior and Related Agencies Appropriations Act for Fiscal year 1990, 31 U.S.C. § 1352, and related rules and regulations set forth at 54 Fed. Reg. 52,309 ff. (1989), as amended. If federal funds are to be used, Consultant must execute a Certification Regarding Lobbying, which will be attached as an exhibit and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth here.

**f) Non-Liability of Public Officials**

Consultant and any assignee or Subcontractor of Consultant must not charge any official, employee or agent of the County personally with any liability or expenses of defense or hold any

official, employee or agent of the County personally liable to them under any term or provision of this Agreement or because of the County's execution, attempted execution or any breach of this Agreement.

**ARTICLE 9) EVENTS OF DEFAULT, REMEDIES, TERMINATION, SUSPENSION AND RIGHT TO OFFSET**

**a) Events of Default Defined**

The following constitute events of default:

- i) Any material misrepresentation, whether negligent or willful and whether in the inducement or in the performance, made by Consultant to the County.
- ii) Consultant's material failure to perform any of its obligations under this Agreement including the following:
  - (a) Failure due to a reason or circumstances within Consultant's reasonable control to perform the Services with sufficient personnel and equipment or with sufficient material to ensure the performance of the Services;
  - (b) Failure to perform the Services in a manner reasonably satisfactory to the Chief Procurement Officer or inability to perform the Services satisfactorily as a result of insolvency, filing for bankruptcy or assignment for the benefit of creditors;
  - (c) Failure to promptly re-perform within a reasonable time Services that were rejected as erroneous or unsatisfactory;
  - (d) Discontinuance of the Services for reasons within Consultant's reasonable control; and
  - (e) Failure to comply with any other material term of this Agreement, including the provisions concerning insurance and nondiscrimination.
- iii) Any change in ownership or control of Consultant without the prior written approval of the Chief Procurement Officer, which approval the Chief Procurement Officer will not unreasonably withhold.
- iv) Consultant's default under any other agreement it may presently have or may enter into with the County during the life of this Agreement. Consultant acknowledges and agrees that in

the event of a default under this Agreement the County may also declare a default under any such other Agreements.

(v) Consultant's repeated or continued violations of County ordinances unrelated to performance under the Agreement that in the opinion of the Chief Procurement Officer indicate a willful or reckless disregard for County laws and regulations.

**b) Remedies**

The occurrence of any event of default permits the County, at the County's sole option, to declare Consultant in default. The Chief Procurement Officer may in his sole discretion give Consultant an opportunity to cure the default within a certain period of time, which period of time must not exceed 30 days, unless extended by the Chief Procurement Officer. Whether to declare Consultant in default is within the sole discretion of the Chief Procurement Officer and neither that decision nor the factual basis for it is subject to review or challenge under the Disputes provision of this Agreement.

The Chief Procurement Officer will give Consultant written notice of the default, either in the form of a cure notice ("**Cure Notice**"), or, if no opportunity to cure will be granted, a default notice ("**Default Notice**"). If the Chief Procurement Officer gives a Default Notice, he will also indicate any present intent he may have to terminate this Agreement, and the decision to terminate (but not the decision not to terminate) is final and effective upon giving the notice. The Chief Procurement Officer may give a Default Notice if Consultant fails to effect a cure within the cure period given in a Cure Notice. When a Default Notice with intent to terminate is given as provided in this Section 9.b and Article 11, Consultant must discontinue any Services, unless otherwise directed in the notice, and deliver all materials accumulated in the performance of this Agreement, whether completed or in the process, to the County. After giving a Default Notice, the County may invoke any or all of the following remedies:

- i) The right to take over and complete the Services, or any part of them, at Consultant's expense and as agent for Consultant, either directly or through others, and bill Consultant for the cost of the Services, and Consultant must pay the difference between the total amount of this bill and the amount the County would have paid Consultant under the terms and conditions of this Agreement for the Services that were assumed by the County as agent for the Consultant under this Section 9.2;
- ii) The right to terminate this Agreement as to any or all of the Services yet to be performed effective at a time specified by the County;

- iii) The right of specific performance, an injunction or any other appropriate equitable remedy;
- iv) The right to money damages;
- v) The right to withhold all or any part of Consultant's compensation under this Agreement;
- vi) The right to consider Consultant non-responsible in future contracts to be awarded by the County.

If the Chief Procurement Officer considers it to be in the County's best interests, he may elect not to declare default or to terminate this Agreement. The parties acknowledge that this provision is solely for the benefit of the County and that if the County permits Consultant to continue to provide the Services despite one or more events of default, Consultant is in no way relieved of any of its responsibilities, duties or obligations under this Agreement, nor does the County waive or relinquish any of its rights.

The remedies under the terms of this Agreement are not intended to be exclusive of any other remedies provided, but each and every such remedy is cumulative and is in addition to any other remedies, existing now or later, at law, in equity or by statute. No delay or omission to exercise any right or power accruing upon any event of default impairs any such right or power, nor is it a waiver of any event of default nor acquiescence in it, and every such right and power may be exercised from time to time and as often as the County considers expedient.

**c) Early Termination**

In addition to termination under Sections 9.1 and 9.2 of this Agreement, the County may terminate this Agreement, or all or any portion of the Services to be performed under it, at any time by a notice in writing from the County to Consultant. The County will give notice to Consultant in accordance with the provisions of Article 11. The effective date of termination will be the date the notice is received by Consultant or the date stated in the notice, whichever is later. If the County elects to terminate this Agreement in full, all Services to be provided under it must cease and all materials that may have been accumulated in performing this Agreement, whether completed or in the process, must be delivered to the County effective 10 days after the date the notice is considered received as provided under Article 11 of this Agreement (if no date is given) or upon the effective date stated in the notice.

After the notice is received, Consultant must restrict its activities, and those of its Subcontractors, to winding down any reports, analyses, or other activities previously begun. No

costs incurred after the effective date of the termination are allowed. Payment for any Services actually and satisfactorily performed before the effective date of the termination is on the same basis as set forth in Article 5, but if any compensation is described or provided for on the basis of a period longer than 10 days, then the compensation must be prorated accordingly. No amount of compensation, however, is permitted for anticipated profits on unperformed Services. The County and Consultant must attempt to agree on the amount of compensation to be paid to Consultant, but if not agreed on, the dispute must be settled in accordance with Article 6 of this Agreement. The payment so made to Consultant is in full settlement for all Services satisfactorily performed under this Agreement.

Consultant must include in its contracts with Subcontractors an early termination provision in form and substance equivalent to this early termination provision to prevent claims against the County arising from termination of subcontracts after the early termination. Consultant will not be entitled to make any early termination claims against the County resulting from any Subcontractor's claims against Consultant or the County to the extent inconsistent with this provision.

If the County's election to terminate this Agreement for default under Sections 9.1 and 9.2 is determined in a court of competent jurisdiction to have been wrongful, then in that case the termination is to be considered to be an early termination under this Section 9.3.

**d) Suspension**

The County may at any time request that Consultant suspend its Services, or any part of them, by giving 15 days prior written notice to Consultant or upon informal oral, or even no notice, in the event of emergency. No costs incurred after the effective date of such suspension are allowed. Consultant must promptly resume its performance of the Services under the same terms and conditions as stated in this Agreement upon written notice by the Chief Procurement Officer and such equitable extension of time as may be mutually agreed upon by the Chief Procurement Officer and Consultant when necessary for continuation or completion of Services. Any additional costs or expenses actually incurred by Consultant as a result of recommencing the Services must be treated in accordance with the compensation provisions under Article 5 of this Agreement.

No suspension of this Agreement is permitted in the aggregate to exceed a period of 45 days within any one year of this Agreement. If the total number of days of suspension exceeds 45 days, Consultant by written notice may treat the suspension as an early termination of this Agreement under Section 9.3.

**e) Right to Offset**

In connection with performance under this Agreement:

The County may offset any excess costs incurred:

- (i) if the County terminates this Agreement for default or any other reason resulting from Consultant's performance or non-performance;
- (ii) if the County exercises any of its remedies under Section 9.2 of this Agreement; or
- (iii) if the County has any credits due or has made any overpayments under this Agreement.

The County may offset these excess costs by use of any payment due for Services completed before the County terminated this Agreement or before the County exercised any remedies. If the amount offset is insufficient to cover those excess costs, Consultant is liable for and must promptly remit to the County the balance upon written demand for it. This right to offset is in addition to and not a limitation of any other remedies available to the County.

**f.) Delays**

Consultant agrees that no charges or claims for damages shall be made by Consultant for any delays or hindrances from any cause whatsoever during the progress of any portion of this Agreement.

**g.) Prepaid Fees**

In the event this Agreement is terminated by either party, for cause or otherwise, and the County has prepaid for any Letter of Engagement, Consultant shall refund to the County, on a prorated basis to the effective date of termination, all amounts prepaid for Letter of Engagement not actually provided as of the effective date of the termination. The refund shall be made within fourteen (14) days of the effective date of termination.

**ARTICLE 10) GENERAL CONDITIONS**

**a) Entire Agreement**

**i) General**

This Agreement, and the exhibits attached to it and incorporated in it, constitute the entire agreement between the parties and no other warranties, inducements, considerations, promises or interpretations are implied or impressed upon this Agreement that are not expressly addressed in this Agreement.

**ii) No Collateral Agreements**

Consultant acknowledges that, except only for those representations, statements or promises expressly contained in this Agreement and any exhibits attached to it and incorporated by reference in it, no representation, statement or promise, oral or in writing, of any kind whatsoever, by the County, its officials, agents or employees, has induced Consultant to enter into this Agreement or has been relied upon by Consultant, including any with reference to: (i) the meaning, correctness, suitability or completeness of any provisions or requirements of this Agreement; (ii) the nature of the Services to be performed; (iii) the nature, quantity, quality or volume of any materials, equipment, labor and other facilities needed for the performance of this Agreement; (iv) the general conditions which may in any way affect this Agreement or its performance; (v) the compensation provisions of this Agreement; or (vi) any other matters, whether similar to or different from those referred to in (i) through (vi) immediately above, affecting or having any connection with this Agreement, its negotiation, any discussions of its performance or those employed or connected or concerned with it.

**iii) No Omissions**

Consultant acknowledges that Consultant was given an opportunity to review all documents forming this Agreement before signing this Agreement in order that it might request inclusion in this Agreement of any statement, representation, promise or provision that it desired or on that it wished to place reliance. Consultant did so review those documents, and either every such statement, representation, promise or provision has been included in this Agreement or else, if omitted, Consultant relinquishes the benefit of any such omitted statement, representation, promise or provision and is willing to perform this Agreement in its entirety without claiming reliance on it or making any other claim on account of its omission.

**b) Counterparts**

This Agreement is comprised of several identical counterparts, each to be fully signed by the parties and each to be considered an original having identical legal effect.

**c) Modifications and Amendments**

The parties may from time to time during the term of this Agreement make modifications and amendments to the Agreement with the approval of the Board of Commissioners.

**d) Governing Law and Jurisdiction**

This Agreement shall be governed by and construed under the laws of the State of Illinois. The Consultant irrevocably agrees that, subject to the County's sole and absolute election to the contrary, any action or proceeding in any way, manner or respect arising out of this Agreement, or arising from any dispute or controversy arising in connection with or related to this Agreement, shall be litigated only in courts within the Circuit Court of Cook County, State of Illinois, and the Consultant consents and submits to the jurisdiction thereof. In accordance with these provisions, Consultant waives any right it may have to transfer or change the venue of any litigation brought against it by the County pursuant to this Agreement.

**e) Severability**

If any provision of this Agreement is held or considered to be or is in fact invalid, illegal, inoperative or unenforceable as applied in any particular case in any jurisdiction or in all cases because it conflicts with any other provision or provisions of this Agreement or of any constitution, statute, ordinance, rule of law or public policy, or for any other reason, those circumstances do not have the effect of rendering the provision in question invalid, illegal, inoperative or unenforceable in any other case or circumstances, or of rendering any other provision or provisions in this Agreement invalid, illegal, inoperative or unenforceable to any extent whatsoever. The invalidity, illegality, inoperativeness or unenforceability of any one or more phrases, sentences, clauses or sections in this Agreement does not affect the remaining portions of this Agreement or any part of it.

**f) Assigns**

All of the terms and conditions of this Agreement are binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties and their respective legal representatives, successors and assigns.

**g) Cooperation**

Consultant must at all times cooperate fully with the County and act in the County's best interests. If this Agreement is terminated for any reason, or if it is to expire on its own terms, Consultant must make every effort to assure an orderly transition to another provider of the Services, if any, orderly demobilization of its own operations in connection with the Services, uninterrupted provision of Services during any transition period and must otherwise comply with the reasonable requests and requirements of the Employer in connection with the termination or expiration.

**h) Waiver**

Nothing in this Agreement authorizes the waiver of a requirement or condition contrary to law or ordinance or that would result in or promote the violation of any federal, state or local law or ordinance.

Whenever under this Agreement the County by a proper authority waives Consultant's performance in any respect or waives a requirement or condition to either the County's or Consultant's performance, the waiver so granted, whether express or implied, only applies to the particular instance and is not a waiver forever or for subsequent instances of the performance, requirement or condition. No such waiver is a modification of this Agreement regardless of the number of times the County may have waived the performance, requirement or condition. Such waivers must be provided to Consultant in writing.

**i) Independent Contractor**

This Agreement is not intended to and will not constitute, create, give rise to, or otherwise recognize a joint venture, partnership, corporation or other formal business association or organization of any kind between Consultant and the County. The rights and the obligations of the parties are only those expressly set forth in this Agreement. Consultant must perform under this Agreement as an independent contractor and not as a representative, employee, agent, or partner of the County.

This Agreement is between the County and an independent contractor and, if Consultant is an individual, nothing provided for under this Agreement constitutes or implies an employer-employee relationship such that:

- i) The County will not be liable under or by reason of this Agreement for the payment of any compensation award or damages in connection with the Consultant performing the Services required under this Agreement.

ii) Consultant is not entitled to membership in the County Pension Fund, Group Medical Insurance Program, Group Dental Program, Group Vision Care, Group Life Insurance Program, Deferred Income Program, vacation, sick leave, extended sick leave, or any other benefits ordinarily provided to individuals employed and paid through the regular payrolls of the County.

iii) The County is not required to deduct or withhold any taxes, FICA or other deductions from any compensation provided to the Consultant.

#### **ARTICLE 11) NOTICES**

All notices required pursuant to this Agreement shall be in writing and addressed to the parties at their respective addresses set forth below. All such notices shall be deemed duly given if hand delivered or if deposited in the United States mail, postage prepaid, registered or certified, return receipt requested. Notice as provided herein does not waive service of summons or process.

If to the County: Office of the President  
118 N. Clark Street, 5<sup>th</sup> floor  
Chicago, IL 60602  
Attention: Chief of Staff

and

**COOK COUNTY CHIEF PROCUREMENT OFFICER**  
118 North Clark Street, Room 1018  
Chicago, Illinois 60602  
(Include County Contract Number on all notices)

If to Consultant: Franczek Radelet, P.C.,  
300 S. Wacker Drive, Suite 3400  
Chicago, IL 60606  
Attention: Respicio F. Vazquez

Changes in these addresses must be in writing and delivered in accordance with the provisions of this Article 11. Notices delivered by mail are considered received three days after mailing in accordance with this Article 11. Notices delivered personally are considered effective upon receipt. Refusal to accept delivery has the same effect as receipt.

Consultant shall comply with any notice provisions set forth in the Letters of Engagement.

**ARTICLE 12) AUTHORITY**

Execution of this Agreement by Consultant is authorized by a resolution of its Board of Directors, if a corporation, or similar governing document, and the signature(s) of each person signing on behalf of Consultant have been made with complete and full authority to commit Consultant to all terms and conditions of this Agreement, including each and every representation, certification and warranty contained in it, including the representations, certifications and warranties collectively incorporated by reference in it.

**Franczek Radelet, P.C.,**

  
Signature of Authorized Representative

James C. Franczek, Jr.

Type or print name

President

Title

Date: May 9, 2013

RFQ 13-90-048 County-Wide Labor and Employment Consultation and Representation

**EXHIBIT 1**

**Scope of Services**

## **2 SCOPE**

### **2.1 General**

The selected firm(s) and/or attorney(s) shall provide legal consultation and representation services for various County bureaus, agencies, and offices of elected officials as well as the Forest Preserve District on labor and employment matters. The selected firm(s) and/or attorney(s) shall be asked to provide legal consultation and representation services in one or more areas including union contract negotiations, contract interpretation and implementation, Labor Relations Board matters, workers compensation, and employment law. Firm(s) and/or attorney(s) will be selected to perform legal services in specific categories for which they are deemed qualified by the County.

The selected firm(s) or attorney(s) will work closely with in-house counsel, staff, and hired experts to provide services to the Employer.

Respondent shall be financially solvent and each of its members or partners, its employees or agents shall be competent to perform the services required under this RFQ document.

In order to maintain an appropriate fiduciary relationship between the Employer and the selected firm, all work shall be performed directly by the selected Respondent.

### **2.2 Categories of Legal Practice**

Respondent shall have knowledge and experience in one or more of the following five (5) categories of legal practice:

#### **Category I**

##### **Union Contract Negotiations**

- Experience representing clients with a staff of over 600 unionized employees in formulating collective bargaining strategies and negotiating collective bargaining strategies with union counterparts;
- Assist in the formulation of Employer bargaining positions and strategies, act as chief spokesperson for represented groups as directed;
- Advise on the status of collective bargaining;
- Represent the Employer in interest arbitration;
- Consult on strike planning;
- Work closely with in-house counsel and consultants on issues related to benefits design and the Affordable Care Act.

#### **Category II**

##### **Contract Interpretation and Implementation**

- Advise on interpretation of CBAs and implementation of policy and initiatives within the parameters of CBA;
- Provide counsel regarding grievances and arbitrations;

- Represent the using department in litigation related to the collective bargaining process including the duty to bargain in good faith, contract violations, and disciplinary matters as well as grievances and arbitrations resulting therefrom;
- Consult on strike planning.

### **Category III**

#### **Labor Relations Board Matters**

- Knowledge of all applicable federal, state, county, and local laws, rules and regulations including those of the National Labor Relations Board and Illinois Labor Relations Board and may be available to represent the Employer in matters before such Boards when needed;
- Experience appearing before the Illinois Labor Relations Board on matters involving union certification petitions, representation petitions, unit clarification petitions, and unfair labor practice charges.

### **Category IV**

#### **Workers Compensation**

- Knowledge of Workers Compensation law;
- Advise on implementation of policies and initiatives related to Workers Compensation, disability, and return to work matters;
- Consultation and representation in Workers Compensation claims.

### **Category V**

#### **Employment Law**

- Knowledge of all applicable federal, state, county, and local laws, rules and regulations relative to employment law and be available to represent the Employer in matters when needed;
- Experience in employment law litigation.
- Provide advice and counsel on employment related laws, policies, and matters such as the Family and Medical Leave Act, Equal Employment Opportunity laws, etc.

### **Category VI**

#### **Employee Benefits**

- Work closely with in-house counsel on implementation of the Affordable Care Act and benefit plan designs (health care, pension, and other post-employment benefits ("OPEB"));

### **2.3 Master Agreement for Legal Services**

Once firm(s) and/or attorneys(s) are selected for a category or categories of the pre-qualified pool, the Selected Respondent(s) will execute Cook County's Master Agreement for Legal Services ("Agreement") in substantially the same form with the same terms and conditions as set forth in the attached Agreement (Exhibit 1). The Respondent shall include as a part of its cover letter for its Qualifications Submittal to Cook County an acknowledgement that it has read, understands and accepts the terms and

conditions of the Agreement. If there are any terms and conditions to which the Respondent has objections, such objections and the specific section numbers must be noted in the Cover Letter. The Respondent's proposed alternative language, if any, must be included as an attachment to the Cover Letter. Respondent that has objections and fails to provide alternative language shall waive its right to subsequently object to any terms of the Agreement if selected for the pre-qualified pool. Execution of the Agreement is not a guarantee of work.

#### **2.4 Process for Selecting Pre-qualified Law Firm(s) or Attorney for Specific Projects**

Once firm(s) and/or attorneys(s) are in the pre-qualified pool, they will receive project-specific letters of engagement according to their areas of expertise and experience which will include a description of the specified scope of work, the source of funding, a start and end date for services, conflict of interest verifications, identification of key personnel, evidence of insurance, and the terms and conditions that apply with any other information deemed appropriate by the Chief Procurement Officer. Projects will vary in scope and size, and will be assigned by each Employer on an as needed basis. Using departments will make reasonable efforts to insure equitable distribution of specific projects. Firms can submit Qualifications for one or multiple categories. As a result, multiple awards are possible depending on the expertise in each category. Respondent must specify the categories of interest on the Categories and Pricing Form in Attachment II. Pre-qualification in the pool is not a guarantee of work.

#### **2.5 Key Personnel**

Respondent must identify the key personnel that will be committed to the project. The Chief Procurement Officer reserves the right to reject any key personnel proposed if it is determined in the County's best interest. All key personnel must be committed to the project without competing priorities. The evaluation of Submittals includes the qualifications of the personnel proposed; therefore, Respondent must name key personnel as part of their Qualifications. Key Personnel must not be replaced during the project without approval of the Chief Procurement Officer.

Jennifer A. Dunn is a partner in the Labor & Employment and Education Law Practice Groups at Franczek Radelet P.C.

Jennifer represents private and public sector management clients in all areas of labor and employment law. She has extensive experience advising clients in traditional labor matters, including representation and unfair labor practice proceedings, grievance arbitrations, collective bargaining negotiations, and mediation. She regularly appears before state and federal courts and administrative agencies, including the National Labor Relations Board, Illinois Labor Relations Board, Illinois Educational Labor Relations Board, Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, and Illinois Department of Human Rights.

Prior to joining the Firm, Jennifer was an administrative law judge with the Illinois Labor Relations Board. In that capacity, she investigated and presided over unfair labor practice and representation proceedings, issued recommended decisions and orders and advised the Board on pending court litigation. She also worked as an assistant general counsel for the International Union of Operating Engineers, Local 150, where she represented the union in grievance arbitration hearings and in matters pending before the National Labor Relations Board, as well as state and federal courts.

Jennifer is an adjunct professor at the DePaul University College of Law where she teaches Labor Relations in the Public Sector. She is a member of the American (Labor & Employment Section), Illinois State (Labor & Employment Section) and the Chicago Bar Associations.



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- Employment Litigation Union-Related Matters
- Education Law
- Labor, Employment & Employee Benefits

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- B.A., University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, 1996 (political science)

**Bar & Court Admissions**

- Illinois
- U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois
- U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Indiana

James C. Franczek, Jr. is a founding partner and president of Franczek Radelet P.C. He is a member of the Firm's Labor & Employment and Education Law Practice Groups.

Jim's clients include scores of private and public sector employers, including clients in the transportation, banking and energy industries. He is the chief labor counsel for the City of Chicago, the Chicago Public Schools, the Metropolitan Pier and Exposition Authority (McCormick Place), the Chicago Park District and the City Colleges of Chicago.

Jim is a member of the Executive Committee of The Commercial Club of Chicago. He is also a member of The Economic Club of Chicago, the Metropolitan Planning Council's Board of Governors, the Board of Directors of the Chicagoland Chamber of Commerce, and the College of Labor and Employment Lawyers. Jim is a founding member of the Institute for Law and the Workplace/Chicago-Kent College of Law.

Jim is a popular speaker on labor, employment and education law and is a former lecturer at the University of Chicago School of Business, Northwestern Business School, the Loyola University Institute of Industrial Relations, Northeastern University and IIT-Kent School of Law. He has lectured on labor law at the University of Chicago Law School and at Northwestern University School of Law. He has appeared on television as a commentator on labor topics and is frequently quoted in journals on professional and educational issues.

#### Awards & Recognitions

Jim is frequently honored and recognized as one of the preeminent labor and employment lawyers called upon by both public and private sector employers.

- **Chicago magazine** – Ranked No. 71 on the annual list of “100 Most Powerful Chicagoans” (2013).
- **Crain's Chicago Business** - Named to the annual list “Who's Who in Chicago Business,” Chicago's civic, professional and cultural leaders you need to know (2009-2011)
- **The Best Lawyers in America** - Named Chicago Employment Lawyer of the Year (2012); named a leading labor and employment lawyer for more than 20 years (1989-2012)
- **Chambers USA** – Ranked as a leading labor and employment lawyer (2003-2011)
- **Super Lawyers** - Listed as one of the Top 100 Illinois lawyers (2008-2012)
- **Labor & Employment Relations Association** - Received the Distinguished Service Award from the Chicago Chapter of LERA—the only management-side labor attorney honoree (2011)



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#### Practice Areas

- Labor & Employment  
Counseling &  
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Union-Related Matters
- Education Law  
Labor, Employment &  
Employee Benefits

#### Education

- J.D., University of  
Chicago Law School,  
1971
- B.A., University of  
Notre Dame, 1968  
(government)

#### Bar & Court Admissions

- Illinois
- U.S. Supreme Court
- U.S. Courts of Appeal  
for the Sixth and  
Seventh Circuits
- U.S. District Court for  
the Northern District of  
Illinois - Trial Bar
- U.S. District Court for  
the Central District of  
Illinois

Christopher A. Johlle is a partner in the Labor & Employment Practice Group at Franczek Radelet P.C.

Chris represents public and private sector employers in a wide range of labor and employment matters. Since 1988, Chris has worked with clients on union-related matters, including union organization, collective bargaining, arbitrations, strike planning and strike-related litigation, and state and federal labor relations board proceedings. He regularly counsels employers on employment issues related to discrimination, discipline and discharge, child labor, wage and hour, and personnel policy development and implementation. He has worked with employers in a wide variety of industries including education, hospitality, health care, manufacturing, transportation, food service, construction and recreation.

Chris also devotes a significant amount of his practice to training. He has developed and delivered programs on a wide variety of legal and human resource issues including sexual harassment, developing respectful workplace relationships, equal employment opportunity, effective human resource practices, labor law compliance and union relations. Chris has conducted training sessions for clients (from front-line supervisors to top management) and for several trade associations.

Chris is a member of the American Health Lawyers Association, the American Society for Healthcare Human Resources Administration, the Illinois Public Employer Labor Relations Association and the National Public Employer Labor Relations Association. Chris has been recognized by Leading Lawyers Network as a leading employment attorney in Illinois.

Chris is a volunteer attorney for the Chicago Volunteer Legal Services Foundation and has done pro bono work for the Cook County Public Guardian. For his efforts on behalf of sexually abused children, he is a past recipient of the Public Guardian's Outstanding Volunteer Attorney Award.

#### Representative Experience

- Represented health care system in SEIU campaign to organize RNs; work included management training, witness preparation and campaign strategy—union campaign was unsuccessful and employer remains union free
- Conducted labor audits at six hospitals to assess vulnerability to CNA/NNOC organizing threat
- Regularly represent public and private employers in contract negotiations and have negotiated multiple contracts that resulted in substantial cost savings and an increase in operational flexibility with no work stoppage



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#### Practice Areas

- Labor & Employment  
Counseling & Compliance  
Employment Litigation  
Union-Related Matters

#### Education

- J.D., DePaul University  
College of Law, 1988
- B.S., with high  
distinction, Indiana  
University, 1983

#### Bar & Court Admissions

- Illinois
- U.S. District Court  
for the Northern  
District of Illinois -  
Trial Bar
- U.S. District Court  
for the Eastern  
District of Wisconsin
- U.S. Court of  
Appeals for the  
Fourth, Sixth,  
Seventh, Eighth and  
District of Columbia  
Circuits

**Representative Experience**

- Represented hospitality industry employer in federal Worker Adjustment and Retraining Notification (WARN) Act litigation
- Won ground breaking case on behalf of Overnite Transportation Company before the Tennessee Supreme Court establishing an employer's right to recover civil contempt damages from a union for strike-related violence, misconduct and property damage
- Regularly conduct management and employee training sessions on harassment and other related employment topics for park districts and park district associations
- Currently representing a manufacturing client in multiple NLRB and state court injunction proceedings, contract negotiations and union organizing activities at multiple locations
- Conducted training sessions for multiple clients on latest developments under federal labor law

David A. Johnson is a partner in the Labor & Employment Practice Group at Franczek Radelet P.C.

David has extensive experience in the area of traditional labor law including significant experience with the Illinois Labor Relations Board, labor arbitrations, and serving as lead negotiator in collective bargaining negotiations.

David formerly served as Chief Labor Negotiator for the City of Chicago where he was responsible for more than 50 union contract negotiations covering bargaining units ranging from a few hundred to more than 10,000 members, including police, fire, emergency services, skilled trades, administrative and clerical units. He served as the lead negotiator in the 2008 – 2010 negotiations with civilian bargaining units resulting in the modification of existing contracts in order to provide cost savings and avoid more than 1,000 layoffs.

#### Representative Experience

- Lead counsel in more than 30 Labor Board including representation cases and unfair labor practice proceedings involving issues including subcontracting, discrimination, waiver, scope of duty to bargain, deferral and effects bargaining (City of Chicago)
- Lead counsel in more than 200 labor arbitration cases, including discharge, subcontracting, layoff, drug testing, affirmative action, reorganization, job classification, public policy doctrine, constitutional issues, indemnification and management rights (City of Chicago)
- Served as the City of Chicago's lead labor counsel in the Midway Airport Privatization initiative



**David A. Johnson**

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#### Practice Areas

- Labor & Employment  
Counseling & Compliance  
Union-Related Matters

#### Education

- J.D., University of Illinois  
College of Law, 1980
- B.A., Michigan State  
University, 1977  
(history)

#### Bar & Court Admissions

- Illinois

Joshua D. Meeuwse is an associate in the Labor & Employment Practice Group at Franczek Radelet P.C.

Josh concentrates his practice on labor law, employment law and employment litigation. He represents clients in federal and state court, as well as before the National Labor Relations Board (NLRB), the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission and other administrative agencies. Josh also represents clients in connection with arbitrations under collective bargaining agreements.

Josh's litigation practice focuses on defending employers against claims of employment discrimination, wrongful termination, sexual harassment, and wage and hour violations. He conducts all aspects of pretrial work, including interviewing witnesses, preserving and producing electronic documents, drafting and responding to discovery requests, preparing witnesses, taking and defending depositions, and drafting dispositive and non-dispositive motions. Josh counsels employers on issues arising under labor law, the ADA, Title VII, FLSA, FMLA, USERRA and other state and federal employment laws. He also prepares responses to unfair labor practice charges, responses to discrimination charges by the EEOC and state agencies, separation agreements, and non-compete agreements.

Prior to joining the Firm, Josh was an associate at Miller, Johnson, Snell & Cummiskey, PLC in Kalamazoo, Michigan, where he practiced labor and employment law. During law school, Josh was the Managing Executive Editor of the *University of Michigan Journal of Law Reform*, and received the Louis Honigman Memorial Award for his significant contribution to the *Journal*. During his undergraduate study, Josh was a WMU Presidential Scholar. Josh was also an extern for the Honorable Richard A. Enslen, U.S. District Court for the Western District of Michigan, and an extern for the National Labor Relations Board, Region 7, in Detroit, Michigan.

Josh is currently a member of the American Bar Association. He enjoys playing and watching sports, especially hockey and soccer.

Josh volunteers in the Constitutional Rights Foundation Chicago's "Lawyers in the Classroom" program with Dvorak Academy, the Firm's Chicago Public Schools' partner school.



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**Practice Areas**

- Labor & Employment
- Counseling & Compliance
- Employment Litigation
- Union-Related Matters

**Education**

- J.D., University of Michigan Law School, 2007
- B.A., *summa cum laude*, Western Michigan University, 2004

**Bar & Court Admissions**

- Illinois
- Michigan
- U.S. District Courts for the Central and Northern Districts of Illinois
- U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Indiana
- U.S. District Courts for the Western and Eastern Districts of Michigan

William R. Pokorny is a partner in the Labor & Employment and Higher Education Practice Groups at Franczek Radelet P.C. and co-chair of the Firm's Litigation Task Force.

Bill represents management in a wide range of labor and employment matters. He concentrates his practice on litigation and counseling in areas including discrimination, disabilities, ERISA and employee benefits, employment contracts, covenants not to compete, wrongful discharge, wage and hour law, the Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA), and labor relations. He represents employers before state and federal courts as well as administrative agencies such as the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission and the Illinois Human Rights Commission. Bill has experience in a wide variety of industries, including manufacturing; utilities; health care; insurance; financial services; staffing; retail; hospitality, including restaurants and hotels; nonprofit; education, including higher education; and local government. Bill also has experience representing educational institutions in a variety of non-employment related litigation matters.

Bill joined the Firm in February 2006. Previously, he worked at the law firms of Wildman Harrold Allen & Dixon LLP (2003–2006) and McDermott Will & Emery LLP (2001–2003). He is a member of the Chicago, Illinois State and American Bar Associations.

Bill is a co-author of the Firm's Wage & Hour Insights Blog. When he is not practicing law, Bill serves as a high school youth advisor and Board President at his church, and he is an avid cook and photographer.

#### Representative Experience

- Obtained summary judgment after securing dismissal of class claims, for an energy company in a lawsuit alleging that the company violated the Americans with Disabilities Act by demoting allegedly disabled employees for excessive absenteeism
- Counseled major manufacturing company in reductions in force at locations in multiple states
- Obtained defense verdict for the University of Chicago in a 9-day jury trial in which a former Ph.D. student alleged that the University violated provisions of its student handbook when it suspended him for inappropriate communications with University administrators
- Advises public and private sector employers on FMLA and disability-related issues, including working with dozens of clients to update FMLA policies and procedures to comply with new FMLA regulations
- Assisted retail and food service client in reaching a favorable settlement of a class action filed on behalf of several hundred current and former employees, alleging failure to pay minimum wages and overtime



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#### Practice Areas

- Education Law
- Employee Benefits
- Labor & Employment Counseling & Compliance
- Employment Litigation
- Union-Related Matters

#### Education

- J.D., with honors, University of Chicago Law School, 2001
- B.A., *summa cum laude*, Augustana College, 1998

#### Bar & Court Admissions

- Illinois
- U.S. Supreme Court
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh and Ninth Circuits
- U.S. District Courts for the Northern and Central Districts of Illinois
- U.S. District Courts for the Northern and Southern Districts of Indiana

Sally J. Scott is a partner in the Labor & Employment and Education Practice Groups at Franczek Radelet P.C.

Throughout her legal career, Sally has concentrated exclusively on representing management in both the private and public sectors in all aspects of labor and employment law. She has counseled clients and litigated matters relating to discrimination and civil rights claims, sexual harassment, wrongful discharge, breach of contract and the enforcement of non-compete agreements. Her labor experience includes collective bargaining, arbitrations, union organizing campaigns and defending unfair labor practice claims. Sally has served as lead negotiator on collective bargaining agreements for Illinois school districts and for several private sector businesses, including a multi-employer bargaining association. She also has extensive experience with the Occupational Safety & Health Act (OSHA). She counsels employers on compliance with OSHA regulations, guiding employers through OSHA inspections, and contesting and successfully litigating OSHA citations.

Before joining the Firm in February 1994, Sally practiced at the law firm of Seyfarth Shaw Fairweather & Geraldson (1990-1994).

In 2011, Sally was recognized in Law Bulletin Publishing Company's annual *Chicago Women in Law: Women Making An Impact*, which features the achievements and accomplishments of a select number of women attorneys who are making a significant impact on the Chicago legal community.

She is currently a member of the Illinois Council of School Attorneys, the National Council of School Attorneys, and the Illinois Road and Transportation Builders Association. Sally has been identified by the American Council of Engineering Companies (ACEC) as a "national educational resource" on union-related issues. She was the editor of the firm's newsletter, *Human Resources Law & Practice Forum*, its client e-mail bulletins, and the publication *Employment Discrimination: An Employer's Guide*.

Sally is a frequent speaker on a variety of labor and employment topics. She has been interviewed and quoted by the media on a range of topics including an interview in 2009 by CBS Channel 2/Chicago on how to conduct layoffs to minimize workplace violence, and by *American Medical News* on ways employers can best handle medical practice layoffs.

#### Representative Experience

- Successfully argued before the Illinois Supreme Court on behalf of Chicago Public Schools in a historically important decision which held that tenured teachers in the CPS system do not have a substantive right or any procedural rights to a recall resulting from an economic layoff



**Sally J. Scott**

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#### Practice Areas

- Labor & Employment
  - Counseling & Compliance
  - Employment Litigation
  - Union-Related Matters
- Education Law
  - Labor & Employment

#### Education

- J.D., University of Michigan Law School, 1990
- B.A., Calvin College, 1987 (history)

#### Bar & Court Admissions

- Illinois
- U.S. District Court for the Northern and Central Districts of Illinois
- U.S. District Courts for the Eastern District of Michigan and the Western District of Missouri
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh, Eighth and District of Columbia Circuits

**Representative Experience**

- Served as lead negotiator on collective bargaining agreements for teacher contracts on behalf of various school districts across the State of Illinois which have included longer work days and step-only wage increases
- Resolved 20 plaintiff sexual harassment lawsuit successfully on behalf of large retail employer
- Successfully assisted urban school district terminate its consent decree
- Advises both public and private sector employers on reductions in force matters, developing strategy for both internal and external communication
- Effectively resolved religious accommodation cases against a large retail employer addressing whether employees could refuse to sell products that conflicted with their religious beliefs

Respicio "Res" F. Vazquez is a partner in the Education and Higher Education Practice Groups at Franczek Radelet P.C.

Res focuses his practice on the general representation of higher education institutions, school districts and other educational institutions throughout Illinois. His practice encompasses a broad range of areas, including school governance, business operations, contracts and procurement of goods and services, construction, mechanics liens and real estate; personnel and employment issues, special education and reviewing and drafting of education-related legislation. Regarding his litigation experience, Res has appeared before the federal and state courts, as well as before administrative agencies.

Res joined the Firm in July 2004 after serving as General Counsel of the Illinois State Board of Education for four years. During his tenure with the Illinois State Board of Education, Res also served as the State Superintendent of Education in 2002. He was responsible for serving approximately 900 public school districts in Illinois, fulfilling the State Board's mission of providing leadership, advocacy and support for the work of Illinois school districts, of policymakers and of Illinois citizens. After analyzing the present and future aims, needs and requirements of education in Illinois, he presented his recommendations and worked with the State Board of Education, the Illinois General Assembly, and the Governor's Office for the passage of legislation affecting education.

During his tenure with the City Colleges of Chicago for eight years, Res served as its General Counsel and First Assistant General Counsel. Additionally, he served as an Assistant Attorney in the Chicago Board of Education for three years.

Res currently serves as a Special Assistant Attorney General for the Office of the Illinois Attorney General, where he previously served as an Assistant Attorney General for two years. He is also a member of the Illinois State Bar Association.

Res serves as a board member of the North Town Village Condominium Association and as the president of the Ritchie Court Condominium Association.

#### **Representative Experience**

- Navigates and communicates regularly with Illinois public bodies on behalf of school districts and higher education institutions to efficiently and effectively reach favorable resolutions on regulatory matters
- Advises higher education institutions on general business related operational issues, including construction, contracts and governance



**Respicio F. Vazquez**

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#### **Practice Areas**

- **Education Law**
  - Board Governance & Counseling
  - Labor, Employment & Employee Benefits
  - School Business Operations
  - School Revenue Issues
  - Student Issues
- **Higher Education**

#### **Education**

- J.D., DePaul University College of Law, 1985
- B.S., DePaul University, 1982 (business administration)

#### **Bar & Court Admissions**

- Illinois
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit
- U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois - Member, Trial Bar

**Representative Experience**

- Provides a unique perspective to higher education institutions having served as in-house legal counsel for nearly eight years for a prominent community college district in the City of Chicago
- Obtained partial summary judgment and favorable settlement for 29,000+ student school district in litigation filed against district by 20 subcontractors seeking payment from absent general contractor in connection with the construction of four schools in the district
- Defended Illinois school district in lawsuit filed by unsuccessful transportation vendor which alleged the district did not accurately choose the lowest bidder—successfully resolved the litigation by focusing on the intricacies of the bid contract

Abizer Zanzi is a partner in the Labor & Employment Group at Franczek Radelet P.C.

Abizer represents companies, higher education institutions, non-profit organizations and public sector employers in all aspects of labor and employment law. A heavy portion of Abizer's practice is devoted to defending employers before federal and state courts and administrative agencies in matters concerning employment discrimination, reasonable accommodation, retaliatory discharge, unfair labor practices, labor-management relations, employee mobility and other disputes concerning the employment relationship. Abizer has both trial and appellate oral argument experience. He also regularly provides preventative counseling and advice to employers on individual personnel matters, reductions-in-force, employment contracts, personnel policies and handbooks, and compliance with federal and state employment laws.

Abizer started his career at Latham & Watkins LLP in Chicago and then served as a law clerk for the Honorable Philip P. Simon in the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Indiana, before joining the Firm. In law school, Abizer was the editor-in-chief of the *Alaska Law Review* and was on the Duke Moot Court Board.

Abizer speaks regularly on a variety of emerging labor and employment issues, and has recently given presentations on FMLA, retaliation, trade secrets, electronic discovery and USERRA. Since 2007, Abizer has served as co-chair of the Chicago Bar Association Young Lawyers Section's Labor and Employment Committee. He is also an active member of the Indian American Bar Association of Chicago and serves on its professional development committee.

Abizer is committed to public service. He has represented pro bono clients in wrongful conviction, fair housing and asylum cases. In 2001, Abizer spent a summer volunteering for a human rights organization in Delhi, India. Abizer serves on the Chicago Partnership Board for Avenues to Independence, a non-profit, charitable organization providing residential, vocational and daily living support to adults with physical, intellectual and developmental disabilities. He also volunteers in the Constitutional Rights Foundation Chicago's "Lawyers in the Classroom" program.

In addition to practicing law, Abizer enjoys playing tennis and traveling. Prior to graduating from law school, he spent time studying abroad in Shanghai, China and working as a summer associate for a U.S. law firm in Tokyo, Japan.



**Abizer Zanzi**

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**Practice Areas**

- Labor & Employment
  - Counseling & Compliance
  - Employment Litigation
  - Union-Related Matters

**Education**

- J.D. Duke University School of Law, 2005
- B.A. University of Pennsylvania, 2000 (international relations, economics)

**Bar & Court Admissions**

- Illinois
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit
- U.S. District Court of the Northern, Central and Southern Districts of Illinois
- U.S. District Court of the Northern District of Indiana
- U.S. District Court of the Southern District of Mississippi

### Representative Experience

- Obtained summary judgment of race and gender, retaliation and state law claims filed by university's former director of human resources (Feb. 2013).
- Achieved favorable settlement of claims by current and former employees of university asserting a variety of race and disability discrimination and retaliation allegations including harassment, failure to train and promote, unlawful reduction-in-force and failure to rehire (Jan. 2013).
- Defended college in a trial before the National Labor Relations Board involving a allegations of failure to effects bargain and bargain in good faith, retaliation and disparate enforcement of policies (Nov. 2012).
- Obtained early dismissal of public sector entity from lawsuit alleging breaches and tortious interference with collective bargaining agreement (*Healey v. Local No. 134 of IBEW, et al.*, Sept. 2012)
- Obtained summary judgment of gender discrimination and retaliation claims where court ruled that plaintiffs did not file good faith EEOC charges that amounted to protected activity (*Scholl, et al. v. Education Management Corporation, et al.*, Sept. 2012).
- Obtained early dismissal of reverse race discrimination claim where federal court ruled that plaintiff did not allege facts amounting to an actionable discrimination claim, and state court ruled on remand that plaintiff's state law claims were barred by statute of limitations (*Pazur v. Target Corporation*, June 2012).
- Obtained favorable decisions from federal court of appeals and state supreme court holding that public school board did not violate due process rights of tenured teachers during economic layoffs (*Chicago Teachers Union v. Chicago Board of Education*, Apr. 2012)
- Obtained summary judgment, and affirmation on appeal, of race discrimination and retaliation claims by current employee (*Keeton v. Morningstar*, Jan. 2012).
- Defended company and employees against claims of trade secret misappropriation and tortious interference with business expectancy involving extensive discovery relating to allegations of lost business and profits. Favorable settlement achieved during discovery (Jan. 2012).

### Recent Speaking Engagements

- *E-Discovery and Ethics in Employment Cases*; 16th Annual Employment and Labor Law Institute; March 15, 2013; Chicago, IL
- *Labor & Employment Law Update 2012: A Year in Review*; Chicago Bar Association Young Lawyers Labor & Employment Section Committee Meeting; February 20, 2013; Chicago, IL (moderator)
- *Looking Ahead: Common Concerns for Employers*; Franczek Radelet's 2013 Employment Law Conference; February 8, 2013; Chicago, IL
- *Family Medical Leave Act Update: Avoiding Common Mistakes*; Illinois Institute for Continuing Legal Education; April 19, 2012; Chicago, IL
- *Labor & Employment Law Update 2011: A Year in Review*; Chicago Bar Association Young Lawyers Labor & Employment Section Committee Meeting; February 22, 2012; Chicago, IL (moderator)
- *Retaliation Claims: The New Frontier of Employer Liability*; Franczek Radelet's 2012 Employment Law Conference; February 10, 2012; Chicago, IL
- *E-Discovery and Ethics in Employment Litigation*; Chicago Bar Association Young Lawyers Labor & Employment Section Committee Meeting; January 26, 2012; Chicago, IL

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**EXHIBIT 2**

**Schedule of Compensation**

**ATTACHMENT II**

**7.2.5 CATEGORY AND PRICING FORM**

Category of Submittals:

Respondents can submit qualifications for one, some or all of the following specified categories. Check the box next to the category or categories this submittal includes.

✓	CATEGORY I: UNION CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS	<b>ACCEPTED</b>
✓	CATEGORY II: CONTRACT INTERPRETATION AND IMPLEMENTATION	<b>ACCEPTED</b>
✓	CATEGORY III: LABOR RELATIONS BOARD MATTERS	<b>ACCEPTED</b>
	CATEGORY IV: WORKERS COMPENSATION	
✓	CATEGORY V: EMPLOYMENT LAW	<b>ACCEPTED</b>
✓	CATEGORY VI: EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	<b>ACCEPTED</b>

CATEGORY V: Employment Law			
		Hourly Rate	
		Partner	Associate
		Paralegal	
	\$295	\$250	\$150

CATEGORY VI: Employee Benefits			
		Hourly Rate	
		Partner	Associate
		Paralegal	
	\$295	\$250	\$150

Respondent (Name of Firm/Individual): Franczek Radelet, P.C.

**Alternative Fee Arrangement Options**

In addition to the above proposed billing rates, as we have for other large clients we welcome discussions with Cook County on engaging in alternate fee arrangements. By way of example only, we have charged a fixed fee for various training programs ranging from no cost to \$5,000 per session depending on the length and nature of the session. We would also be willing to explore fixed fees for EEOC/IDHR charges (including position statements), budget management for litigation matters, and other alternative fee arrangements that provide the County more predictability when it comes to its legal spend. These examples and other alternative fee arrangements necessitate a more detailed discussion with the County regarding its needs and expectations.

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**EXHIBIT 3**

**Evidence of Insurance**

Client#: 78049

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## CERTIFICATE OF LIABILITY INSURANCE

DATE (MM/DD/YYYY)

04/05/2013

THIS CERTIFICATE IS ISSUED AS A MATTER OF INFORMATION ONLY AND CONFERS NO RIGHTS UPON THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER. THIS CERTIFICATE DOES NOT AFFIRMATIVELY OR NEGATIVELY AMEND, EXTEND OR ALTER THE COVERAGE AFFORDED BY THE POLICIES BELOW. THIS CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE DOES NOT CONSTITUTE A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE ISSUING INSURER(S), AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OR PRODUCER, AND THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER.

IMPORTANT: If the certificate holder is an ADDITIONAL INSURED, the policy(ies) must be endorsed. If SUBROGATION IS WAIVED, subject to the terms and conditions of the policy, certain policies may require an endorsement. A statement on this certificate does not confer rights to the certificate holder in lieu of such endorsement(s).

PRODUCER Harney Team Mesrow Insurance Services 353 N. Clark Street Chicago, IL 60654	CONTACT NAME:	
	PHONE (A/C, No, Ext): 312 595-6200	FAX (A/C, No):
INSURED Franczek Radelet PC 300 S. Wacker Drive Suite 3400 Chicago, IL 60606	E-MAIL ADDRESS:	
	INSURER(S) AFFORDING COVERAGE	
	INSURER A: Hartford Casualty Insurance	NAIC # 29424
	INSURER B: Hartford Insurance Co. Midwest	37478
	INSURER C:	
	INSURER D:	
	INSURER E:	
	INSURER F:	

COVERAGES CERTIFICATE NUMBER: REVISION NUMBER:

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT THE POLICIES OF INSURANCE LISTED BELOW HAVE BEEN ISSUED TO THE INSURED NAMED ABOVE FOR THE POLICY PERIOD INDICATED. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY REQUIREMENT, TERM OR CONDITION OF ANY CONTRACT OR OTHER DOCUMENT WITH RESPECT TO WHICH THIS CERTIFICATE MAY BE ISSUED OR MAY PERTAIN, THE INSURANCE AFFORDED BY THE POLICIES DESCRIBED HEREIN IS SUBJECT TO ALL THE TERMS, EXCLUSIONS AND CONDITIONS OF SUCH POLICIES. LIMITS SHOWN MAY HAVE BEEN REDUCED BY PAID CLAIMS.

INSR LTR	TYPE OF INSURANCE	ADDL INSR	SUBR WVD	POLICY NUMBER	POLICY EFF (MM/DD/YYYY)	POLICY EXP (MM/DD/YYYY)	LIMITS
A	GENERAL LIABILITY <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY <input type="checkbox"/> CLAIMS-MADE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUR GENL AGGREGATE LIMIT APPLIES PER: <input type="checkbox"/> POLICY <input type="checkbox"/> PROJ <input type="checkbox"/> LOC			83SBAVW3090	02/14/2013	02/14/2014	EACH OCCURRENCE \$2,000,000 DAMAGE TO RENTED PREMISES (Ea occurrence) \$300,000 MED EXP (Any one person) \$10,000 PERSONAL & ADV INJURY \$2,000,000 GENERAL AGGREGATE \$4,000,000 PRODUCTS - COM/OP AGG \$4,000,000 \$
A	AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY <input type="checkbox"/> ANY AUTO <input type="checkbox"/> ALL OWNED AUTOS <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> HIRED AUTOS <input type="checkbox"/> SCHEDULED AUTOS <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NON-OWNED AUTOS			83SBAVW3090	02/14/2013	02/14/2014	COMBINED SINGLE LIMIT (Ea accident) \$2,000,000 BODILY INJURY (Per person) \$ BODILY INJURY (Per accident) \$ PROPERTY DAMAGE (Per accident) \$ \$
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B	WORKERS COMPENSATION AND EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY ANY PROPRIETOR/PARTNER/EXECUTIVE OFFICER/MEMBER EXCLUDED? (Mandatory in NH) If yes, describe under DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS below		N/A	83WECIR4981	02/14/2013	02/14/2014	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> WC STATUTORY LIMITS <input type="checkbox"/> OTH-ER E.L. EACH ACCIDENT \$1,000,000 E.L. DISEASE - EA EMPLOYEE \$1,000,000 E.L. DISEASE - POLICY LIMIT \$1,000,000

DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS / LOCATIONS / VEHICLES (Attach ACORD 101, Additional Remarks Schedule, if more space is required)

Cook County Illinois Government is included as an additional insured with respect to General Liability & Automobile Liability coverage where required by written contract. Umbrella policy is follow-form.

## CERTIFICATE HOLDER

Cook County Illinois Government  
118 N. Clark Street, Room 1018  
Chicago, IL 60602

## CANCELLATION

SHOULD ANY OF THE ABOVE DESCRIBED POLICIES BE CANCELLED BEFORE THE EXPIRATION DATE THEREOF, NOTICE WILL BE DELIVERED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE POLICY PROVISIONS.

AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE

*Don P. Harney*

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**EXHIBIT 4**

**Board Authorization**

## **BUREAU OF HUMAN RESOURCES continued**

### **CONTRACT continued**

**ITEM #58 cont'd**

#### **CATEGORY IV-WORKER'S COMPENSATION**

Peterson Johnson Murray  
Nyhan Bambrick Kinzie & Lowry, P.C.  
Seyfarth Shaw, LLP

Quintairos, Prieto Wood & Boyer, P.A.  
Hennessy & Roach, P.C.

#### **CATEGORY V-EMPLOYMENT LAW**

Laner, Muchin, Dombrow, Becker, Levin Tominburg  
Burke Burns & Pinelli, Ltd.  
Brothers & Thompson, P.C.  
Del Gado Law Group, LLC  
Littler Mendelson, P.C.  
Arstein & Lehr, LLP  
Greene and Letts Attorneys at Law  
Peterson Johnson Murray

Schuyler Roche Crisham, P.C.  
Seyfarth Shaw, LLP  
Neal & Leroy, LLC  
Querry & Harrow, Ltd.  
Quarles & Brady, LLP  
Hennessy & Roach, P.C.  
Ancel Glink Diamond Bush Dicianni & Krafthefer  
Franczek Radelet Attorneys & Counselors

#### **CATEGORY VI-EMPLOYEE BENEFITS**

Laner, Muchin, Dombrow, Becker, Levin Tominburg  
Littler Mendelson, P.C.  
Schuyler Roche Crisham, P.C.  
Seyfarth Shaw, LLP

Ancel Glink Diamond Bush Dicianni & Krafthefer  
Franczek Radelet Attorneys & Counselors  
Arstein & Lehr, LLP

**Reason:** The selected firm(s) and/or attorney(s) shall may provide legal consultation and representation services for various County bureaus, agencies, and offices of elected officials on labor and employment matters. The selected firm(s) and/or attorney(s) shall may be asked to provide legal consultation and representation services in one or more areas including union contract negotiations, contract interpretation and implementation, labor relations board matters, workers compensation and employment law.

The selected firm(s) or attorney(s) will work closely with in-house counsel, staff and hired experts to provide services to the County.

Estimated Fiscal Impact \$1,900,000.00 (FY 2013: \$900,000.00; FY 2014: \$700,000.00; and FY 2015: \$300,000.00. (Various-261 Accounts)

Approval of this item would commit Fiscal Year 2014 funds.

The Chief Procurement Officer concurs.

Vendor has met the Minority and Women Business Enterprise Ordinance.

**EXHIBIT 5**

**Cook County Travel Policy**



**COOK COUNTY  
TRANSPORTATION  
EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENT  
AND TRAVEL REGULATIONS  
POLICY**

**Adopted: FY2009**

## COOK COUNTY TRANSPORTATION EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENT

### SECTION I. AUTOMOBILE REIMBURSEMENT PLAN

- A. Any employee who is required and authorized to use their personally owned automobile in the conduct of official County Business shall be allowed and reimbursed. The number of County business miles driven per ½ month will be compensated at the standard IRS deduction for business related transportation currently in effect and authorized by the Bureau of Administration. IRS mileage rates adjusted midyear will not be made retroactive.
- B. In addition, parking and tolls shall be allowed for reimbursement if items are supported by receipts. Proof of IPASS charges shall be submitted along with the Transportation Expense Voucher.

### SECTION II. GUIDELINES

#### A. Commuting Expenses

Commuting expenses between an employee's home and regular place of assignment will not be reimbursed, even if an employee's regular place of assignment is at different locations on different days within the County.

*Example: An employee working for the Assessor's Office is regularly assigned to the Assessor's Office in Markham on Mondays and to the Assessor's Office in Maywood on Tuesdays through Fridays. Travel expenses to and from the employee's home and Assessor's Office on any day will not be reimbursed when assignments are permanent.*

#### B. Temporary and Minor Assignments (residence to temporary duty point)

Employees who are required to perform County business in the form of temporary and minor assignments beyond the general area of their regular place of assignment in the County may be reimbursed for their transportation expenses between home and their first or last stop, for such travel attributed to County business.

Mileage to first stop or from last stop between home and temporary place of assignment may be allowed and reimbursed.

Authorization for reimbursement for transportation between home and first or last stop shall only be allowed when, in the judgment of the Department head, reporting to the regular place of assignment is not reasonable because of the elements of time, place, business purpose and employee effectiveness. The assignment must be temporary and not indefinite.

**C. Temporary and Minor Assignments (mileage between temporary duty points)**

Employees who receive one or more temporary assignments in a day may be reimbursed for transportation for getting from one place to the other. Mileage from the employee's regular place of assignment, or first duty point, to all temporary duty points and back to regular place of assignment, or last duty point, is entitled to reimbursement.

**D. General Guidelines**

1. Mileage must be computed on the basis of the most direct route. Any mileage incurred solely for personal reasons is not reimbursable.
2. Employees must bear the cost of their normal commuting expenses between residence and official place of assignment.
3. Close supervision shall be maintained over the use of privately owned vehicles by the Department Heads. Authorization for use of privately owned vehicles shall only be given when deemed a service and benefit to Cook County Government. Reimbursements for transportation shall only be as compensation for services performed for the County.

**SECTION III. TRANSPORTATION EXPENSE VOUCHER**

**A. Preparation**

1. All claims for compensation of transportation expenses including the use of privately owned automobile and incidental parking fees and tolls, and taxicab and bus fares shall be submitted and itemized in the Transportation Expense Voucher. (For each stop of business use, enter date, started from location, finished at location, miles and expense between each stop. Total the dollar amount and enter in the space for "Total.")
2. When travel between home and first or last temporary duty point is authorized, the employee's residence shall be entered on the Transportation Expense Voucher, "Started from Location" or "Finished at Location."
3. The Transportation Expense Voucher shall be supported by receipts for all items, individually.
4. The Transportation Expense Voucher shall be prepared and signed by the individual who has incurred the expense and signed by their Supervisor. The original Voucher shall be submitted to the Comptroller's Office and a copy should be retained by the employee and by the department. Falsification of a Transportation Expense Voucher is considered a major cause infraction subject to disciplinary action up to and including discharge.

5. The individual submitting the Transportation Expense Voucher is personally responsible for its accuracy and priority. Trip details shall be entered immediately following automobile use to eliminate possibility of errors. The form must be completed in its entirety, e.g., insurance coverage.

**B. Approval and Submission**

1. The Transportation Expense Voucher shall be approved by the Department Head or a designated representative, who shall sign the original copy of the Transportation Expense Voucher. The original Voucher shall be sent to the Comptroller's Office by the 10<sup>th</sup> day of the following month in which the travel expense was incurred. Transportation Expense Vouchers submitted 60 days after the end of the month in which travel expense was incurred will not be reimbursed. A copy of the Transportation Expense Voucher shall be retained by the department and the employee.
2. Any Transportation Expense Voucher not prepared in accordance with these regulations, including the proper signatures, will be returned to the originator for corrections.

**C. Authorized Attendance at Seminars, Meetings, Conventions, etc., on County Business**

These expenses shall be detailed in accordance with the procedure relating to "Cook County Travel Regulations."

**SECTION IV. COUNTY-OWNED AUTOMOBILE**

Section 162(a)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code requires that any employee who is assigned a County-owned vehicle for use in performance of the employee's duties and who uses the vehicle for use in performance of the employee's duties and who uses the vehicle to commute from home to work and/or from work to home must include in their compensation the value to the employee (as provided for by the IRS) for each day such vehicle is used for commuting purposes, and Cook County must include this compensation on employee W-2 form.

The use of County-owned vehicles for personal use is prohibited.

## COOK COUNTY TRAVEL REGULATIONS

### SECTION I TRAVEL EXPENSES

- A. Travel expenses are ordinary and necessary expenses for transportation, hotel accommodations, meals and incidental expenses for travel that is longer than an ordinary day's work, and the employee needs to get sleep or rest during non-working time while away.

Reimbursements shall be allowed if the following requirements are met:

1. Travel is for periods more than or equal to be employee's scheduled workdays hours, plus 2 hours (usually 10 hours).
2. The employee must get sleep or rest while away in order to complete County business. (This does not mean napping in the car.)
3. Lodging and air travel shall be arranged through a County travel vendor, as specified by the Purchasing Agent.

### SECTION II RESPONSIBILITY OF DEPARTMENT HEAD

- A. The Department Head is responsible for the execution of all travel regulations as well as such other policies and guidelines regarding travel as published by the Bureau of Administration.
- B. All travel subject to these regulations shall be authorized in advance by the Department Head in accordance with current County directives.
- C. Each Department shall develop a system for the prior authorization and control of travel to prevent expenses exceeding appropriations and to hold travel to the minimum required for efficient and economical conduct of County business.
- D. The rates for reimbursements set forth in these regulations represent the maximums permitted under IRS guidelines.

### SECTION III ALLOWABLE TRANSPORTATION EXPENSE

- A. Modes of transportation authorized for official travel in the course of County business will include automobiles, railroads, airlines, buses, taxicabs, and other usual means of conveyance. Transportation may include fares and expenses incidental to transportation such as baggage transfer, official telephone messages in connection with items classed as transportation, and reasonable tips.
- B. All taxicab fares shall be accompanied by a receipt indicating the amount paid.

- C. Transportation between place of lodging and place of business at a temporary work location shall be allowed as a transportation expense.

**SECTION IV           MODE OF TRAVEL**

- A. All travel shall be by the most direct route.
- B. In cases where an individual for their own convenience travels by an indirect route or interrupts travel by direct route, that individual shall bear the extra expense. Reimbursement for expenses shall be based only on such charges as would have been incurred by the most direct and economical route.
- C. All travel shall be by the most economical mode of transportation available, considering travel time, costs, and work requirements.

**SECTION V           ACCOMMODATIONS ON AIRPLANES, TRAINS, AND BUSES**

- A. First class travel is prohibited
- B. Travel on airplanes shall be coach class.
- C. Any charges incurred as a result of changes to an original airline reservation made prior to or during travel are subject to Department Head approval.

**SECTION VI          USE OF PRIVATELY OWNED OR RENTED CONVEYANCE**

- A. When an individual rendering service to the County uses privately owned motor vehicles in the conduct of official business and such use is authorized or approved as advantageous to the County, payment shall be made on a mileage basis at rates not to exceed those published by the Bureau of Administration.
- B. Reimbursement for the cost of automobile parking fees and tolls shall be allowed. The fee for parking an automobile at a common carrier terminal, or other parking area, while the traveler is on official business, shall be allowed only to the extent that the fee does not exceed the cost of public transportation.
- C. When a privately owned automobile is used for travel, the total transportation cost (including mileage allowance, parking fees, tolls and per diem expenses) shall not exceed the cost of public transportation, if reasonable public transportation is available.
- D. The use of rented automobiles will be kept to an absolute minimum and rented only in an emergency upon prior approval of the responsible Department Head. Every effort shall be made to obtain other suitable transportation rather than to use rented vehicles. Where emergencies require the use of a rented vehicle, the most economical vehicle available and suitable for the conduct of County business shall be obtained.

**SECTION VII LIVING EXPENSES**

**A. Meals and Incidental Expense (M&IE)**

Employees assigned to out of town travel shall receive a per diem set by the current U.S. General Services Administration in their Federal Travel Regulations (FTR) Meal and Incidental Expense (M&IE) rate. Travel rates differ by travel location and are periodically revised by the Federal Government. These rates can be found at the GSA "Domestic Per Diem Rates" website page at [www.gsa.gov/perdiem](http://www.gsa.gov/perdiem).

The per diem rate is intended to include all meals and incidental expenses during the period of travel. There will be no reimbursement for meals and incidental expenses beyond this rate.

In addition, the traveler may receive reimbursement for special expenses as provided in Paragraph "C-3" below.

**B. Travel Without Lodging**

When lodging is not required, the per diem M&IE allowance is not permitted. Travel shall be on "actual expenses incurred."

**C. Reimbursable Expenses**

1. Lodging - Reasonable costs of hotel accommodations incurred will be allowed. Lodging shall be reimbursed by receipt up to the limits of the current Federal Travel Regulations as shown on the GSA "Domestic Per Diem Rates" website page at [www.gsa.gov/perdiem](http://www.gsa.gov/perdiem).

Questions of reasonable hotel accommodations should be referred to the Bureau of Administration. Receipts are to be submitted with the Invoice Form to support accommodation expenses claimed.

2. Transportation - Transportation to and from duty point; between places of lodging, business and meals shall be allowed.
3. Special Expenses - The reasonable cost of miscellaneous expenses incurred shall be allowed to a traveler. The following are examples of miscellaneous expenses that may be deemed reimbursable or non-reimbursable:

<u>Reimbursable</u>	<u>Non-Reimbursable</u>
Stenographic and Typing Services	Entertainment
Storage of Baggage	Alcoholic Beverages
Hire of Room for Official Business	Traffic Tickets
Telephone Calls on Official Business	

All special expenses shall be itemized on the Conference and Travel Reimbursement Voucher with receipts attached.

**SECTION VIII      CONFERENCES**

When the cost of meals for approved seminars or official meetings is an integral part of the Registration Fee, the "per diem" traveler shall deduct such amounts from the "cost of meals and incidental expenses" allowance, and the traveler on "actual expenses incurred" shall not claim meals which are included in the conference fee.

**SECTION IX      CONFERENCE AND TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT VOUCHER**

**A.      Memorandum of Expenditures**

A memorandum of all travel expenditures properly chargeable to the County shall be kept by individuals subject to these regulations. The information thus accumulated shall be available for proper Invoice Form preparation.

**B.      Conference and Travel Reimbursement Voucher Preparation**

1.      All claims for reimbursement of travel expenses shall be submitted on the Conference and Travel Reimbursement Voucher and shall be itemized in accordance with these regulations.
2.      The Conference and Travel Reimbursement Voucher shall show the purpose of travel, the dates of travel, the points of departure and destination, mode of transportation, and the cost of the transportation secured or mileage allowance if automobile is used.
3.      The Conference and Travel Reimbursement Voucher shall be supported by receipts in all instances for railroad and airplane transportation, for lodging, meals and incidental expense (M&IE) items, and all other items. Also, a copy of the travel authorization is to be included for out-of-state travel.
4.      The Conference and Travel Reimbursement Voucher shall be prepared and signed by the individual who has incurred the expenses.
5.      The individual submitting the Conference and Travel Reimbursement Voucher is personally responsible for accuracy and propriety. A misrepresentation shall be cause for disciplinary or legal action.

**C.      Approval and Submission of Invoice Form**

1.      The Conference and Travel Reimbursement Voucher shall be approved by the Department Head or a designated representative, who shall sign the original Voucher and submit to the Comptroller's Office. A copy of the Voucher shall be retained by the Department as well as the person submitting the Voucher.
2.      Any Conference and Travel Reimbursement Voucher not prepared in accordance with these regulations or not properly supported by receipts where required will be returned to the originator for correction.

**D.**

**Frequency of Submission**

The original Conference and Travel Reimbursement Voucher shall be sent to the Comptroller's Office by the 10<sup>th</sup> day of the following month in which the travel expense was incurred. Conference and Travel Reimbursement Vouchers submitted 60 days after the end of the month in which travel expense was incurred will not be reimbursed. A copy of the Conference and Travel Reimbursement Voucher shall be retained by the department and the employee.

**EXHIBIT 6**

**Sample Engagement Letter**

## SAMPLE ENGAGEMENT LETTER

[Date]

[Law Firm]

Dear:

This is to advise you that your law firm has been selected from among those firms determined qualified and approved on the list of pre-qualified firms to represent the County in \_\_\_\_\_ Pursuant to the Request for Qualifications, your firm entered into a Master Agreement with Cook County which delineated the term of representation. Those terms are incorporated herein. The purpose of this letter is to describe the terms of your retention for \_\_\_\_\_

### Scope of Work

[Enter Scope of Work Here]

### Staffing

Outside counsel will be responsible for preparing a written staffing plan for each assignment, which plan shall be sent to the County's or Employer's authorized representative prior to the commencement of the work for review and approval. Outside counsel shall include the written staffing plan, which shall include all Key Personnel as described in the Master Agreement for Legal Services, with the executed Letter of Engagement. Outside counsel is strongly encouraged to staff these assignments in a cost effective and efficient manner. Generally your firm will not be expected to have more than one attorney directly involved unless authorized by the County's or Employer's authorized representative, although outside counsel is encouraged to utilize junior partners, associates and paralegals to perform appropriate bargaining-related follow-up tasks and tasks related to ancillary litigation to the maximum extent possible.

While the County or Employer recognizes that counsel within the firm will at times be required to meet (either in person or otherwise) to discuss the status of ongoing assignments, only one attorneys time should be billed for those conferences and the County will only pay the firm for the time of one attorney. If more than one attorney's time is billed for attendance at a meeting, the County will compensate the firm at the lowest billing rate of those attending the meeting or otherwise engaging in a conference about ongoing work.

### **Billing Rates and Submission of Statements**

Statements must be submitted monthly reflecting work performed by your firm for the preceding month. Each separate project shall be billed as a separate matter; ancillary litigation assigned to counsel will likewise be billed as a separate matter. The matter description shall be sufficiently clear to apprise the County's authorized representative of the matter being billed.

Statements of work performed shall be sufficiently detailed to apprise the County of the work performed and the person by whom it was performed. Outside counsel should not engage in single day "block billing" of services performed by an individual, but must specify the time spent on each task performed that day.

The County will only reimburse outside counsel for expenses directly related to the representation of the County in the matter. The County will not reimburse outside counsel for the following expenses: secretarial services, facsimile charges, in-house photocopying, in-house "messenger service" for delivery of documents between attorney offices, the cost of computerized legal research (e.g., accessing databases such as Westlaw or Lexis/Nexis), meals or refreshments of any type, mileage or other reimbursement for travel and any other like expenses. The County should also be directly billed for all court reporter fees and for fees in connection with service of process, and the firm should not seek reimbursement for these services directly.

The County reserves the right to review all statements and to reject payment of any fees or costs deemed not reasonably necessary to outside counsel's performance of the engagement or not in compliance with the terms of this retention letter.

Billing rates for counsel shall be as follows:

[Enter Billing Rates Here]

Billing rates will be reviewed annually at the beginning of each calendar year and may be adjusted at the sole discretion of the County.

If these terms are agreeable to you, please indicate your assent by counter-signing two copies of the document in the space indicated and returning them. The principal directly responsible for the work must sign this retention letter. Please provide all contact information (including cell phone, office phone, fax and e-mail) for the attorneys who will be engaged in representation of the County. The original of this letter is for your records.

Thank you again for your interest in representing Cook County in this matter. We look forward to working with you in the coming months and years.

Sincerely,

\_\_\_\_\_

appropriate.

I agree to the terms set forth above and Understand that the firm is an independent Contractor, terminable at-will as the County deems.

[Law Firm Information]

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
[Authorized Representative]

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Received Fully Executed Agreement:

\_\_\_\_\_  
[Using Department's Representative]

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**EXHIBIT 7**

**Economic Disclosure Statement (EDS)**

**ECONOMIC DISCLOSURE STATEMENT  
AND EXECUTION DOCUMENT  
INDEX**

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9	Corporation Signature Page	EDS 16a/b/c
10	Cook County Signature Page	EDS 17

**INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETION OF  
ECONOMIC DISCLOSURE STATEMENT AND EXECUTION DOCUMENT**

This Economic Disclosure Statement and Execution Document ("EDS") is to be completed and executed by every Bidder on a County contract, every party responding to a Request for Proposals or Request for Qualifications ("Proposer"), and others as required by the Chief Procurement Officer. If the Undersigned is awarded a contract pursuant to the procurement process for which this EDS was submitted (the "Contract"), this Economic Disclosure Statement and Execution Document shall stand as the Undersigned's execution of the Contract.

**Definitions.** Capitalized terms used in this EDS and not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings given to such terms in the Instructions to Bidders, General Conditions, Request for Proposals, Request for Qualifications, or other documents, as applicable.

**"Affiliated Entity"** means a person or entity that, directly or indirectly: controls the Bidder, is controlled by the Bidder, or is, with the Bidder, under common control of another person or entity. Indicia of control include, without limitation, interlocking management or ownership; identity of interests among family members; shared facilities and equipment; common use of employees; and organization of a business entity following the ineligibility of a business entity to do business with the County under the standards set forth in the Certifications included in this EDS, using substantially the same management, ownership or principals as the ineligible entity.

**"Bidder," "Proposer," "Undersigned," or "Applicant,"** is the person or entity executing this EDS. Upon award and execution of a Contract by the County, the Bidder, Proposer, Undersigned or Applicant, as the case may be, shall become the Contractor or Contracting Party.

**"Proposal,"** for purposes of this EDS, is the Undersigned's complete response to an RFP/RFQ, or if no RFQ/RFP was issued by the County, the "Proposal" is such other proposal, quote or offer submitted by the Undersigned, and in any event a "Proposal" includes this EDS.

**"Code"** means the Code of Ordinances, Cook County, Illinois available through the Cook County Clerk's Office website (<http://www.cookctyclerk.com/sub/ordinances.asp>). This page can also be accessed by going to [www.cookctyclerk.com](http://www.cookctyclerk.com), clicking on the tab labeled "County Board Proceedings," and then clicking on the link to "Cook County Ordinances."

**"Contractor" or "Contracting Party"** means the Bidder, Proposer or Applicant with whom the County has entered into a Contract.

**"EDS"** means this complete Economic Disclosure Statement and Execution Document, including all sections listed in the Index and any attachments.

**"Lobby" or "lobbying"** means to, for compensation, attempt to influence a County official or County employee with respect to any County matter.

**"Lobbyist"** means any person or entity who lobbies.

**"Prohibited Acts"** means any of the actions or occurrences which form the basis for disqualification under the Code, or under the Certifications hereinafter set forth.

**Sections 1 through 3: MBE/WBE Documentation.** Sections 1 and 2 must be completed in order to satisfy the requirements of the County's MBE/WBE Ordinance, as set forth in the Contract Documents, if applicable. If the Undersigned believes a waiver is appropriate and necessary, Section 3, the Petition for Waiver of MBE/WBE Participation must be completed.

**Section 4: Certifications.** Section 4 sets forth certifications that are required for contracting parties under the Code. Execution of this EDS constitutes a warranty that all the statements and certifications contained, and all the facts stated, in the Certifications are true, correct and complete as of the date of execution.

**Section 5: Economic and Other Disclosures Statement.** Section 5 is the County's required Economic and Other Disclosures Statement form. Execution of this EDS constitutes a warranty that all the information provided in the EDS is true, correct and complete as of the date of execution, and binds the Undersigned to the warranties, representations, agreements and acknowledgements contained therein.

**INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETION OF  
ECONOMIC DISCLOSURE STATEMENT AND EXECUTION DOCUMENT**

**Sections 6, 7, 8, 9: Execution Forms.** The Bidder executes this EDS, and the Contract, by completing and signing three copies of the appropriate Signature Page. Section 6 is the form for a sole proprietor; Section 7 is the form for a partnership or joint venture; Section 8 is the form for a Limited Liability Corporation, and Section 9 is the form for a corporation. Proper execution requires **THREE ORIGINALS**; therefore, the appropriate Signature Page must be filled in, three copies made, and all three copies must be properly signed, notarized and submitted. The forms may be printed and completed by typing or hand writing the information required.

**Required Updates.** The information provided in this EDS will be kept current. In the event of any change in any information provided, including but not limited to any change which would render inaccurate or incomplete any certification or statement made in this EDS, the Undersigned will supplement this EDS up to the time the County takes action, by filing an amended EDS or such other documentation as is requested.

**Additional Information.** The County's Governmental Ethics and Campaign Financing Ordinances, impose certain duties and obligations on persons or entities seeking County contracts, work, business, or transactions. For further information please contact the Director of Ethics at (312) 803-4304 (69 W. Washington St. Suite 3040, Chicago, IL 60602) or visit our web-site at [www.cookcountygov.com](http://www.cookcountygov.com) and go to the Ethics Department link. The Bidder must comply fully with the applicable ordinances.

**7.2.6 ECONOMIC DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

**ATTACHMENT III**

**ECONOMIC DISCLOSURE STATEMENT  
AND EXECUTION DOCUMENT  
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**MBE/WBE UTILIZATION PLAN (SECTION 1)**

BIDDER/PROPOSER HEREBY STATES that all MBE/WBE firms included in this Plan are certified MBEs/WBEs by at least one of the entities listed in the General Conditions.

I. **BIDDER/PROPOSER MBE/WBE STATUS:** (check the appropriate line)

\_\_\_\_\_ Bidder/Proposer is a certified MBE or WBE firm. (If so, attach copy of appropriate Letter of Certification)

\_\_\_\_\_ Bidder/Proposer is a Joint Venture and one or more Joint Venture partners are certified MBEs or WBEs. (If so, attach copies of Letter(s) of Certification, a copy of Joint Venture Agreement clearly describing the role of the MBE/WBE firm(s) and its ownership interest in the Joint Venture and a completed Joint Venture Affidavit- available from the Office of Contract Compliance)

X Bidder/Proposer is not a certified MBE or WBE firm, nor a Joint Venture with MBE/WBE partners, but will utilize MBE and WBE firms either directly or indirectly in the performance of the Contract. (If so, complete Sections II and III).

II.  Direct Participation of MBE/WBE Firms  Indirect Participation on of MBE/WBE Firms

Where goals have not been achieved through direct participation, Bidder/Proposer shall include documentation outlining efforts to achieve Direct Participation at the time of Bid/Proposal submission. Indirect Participation will only be considered after all efforts to achieve Direct Participation have been exhausted. Only after written documentation of Good Faith Efforts is received will Indirect Participation be considered.

MBEs/WBEs that will perform as subcontractors/suppliers/consultants include the following:

MBE/WBE Firm: N/A

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Dollar Amount Participation: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Percent Amount of Participation: \_\_\_\_\_

\* Letter of Intent attached? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

\* Letter of Certification attached? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

MBE/WBE Firm: N/A

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Dollar Amount Participation: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Percent Amount of Participation: \_\_\_\_\_

\* Letter of Intent attached? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

\* Letter of Certification attached? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Attach additional sheets as needed.

**\*Additionally, all Letters of Intent, Letters of Certification and documentation of Good Faith Efforts omitted from this bid/proposal must be submitted to the Office of Contract Compliance so as to assure receipt by the Contract Compliance Administrator not later than three (3) business days after the Bid Opening date.**

**COOK COUNTY GOVERNMENT LETTER OF INTENT (SECTION 2)**

M/WBE Firm: N/A

Certifying Agency: N/A

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Certification Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

FEIN #: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Contract #: \_\_\_\_\_

Participation:  Direct  Indirect

Will the M/WBE firm be subcontracting any of the performance of this contract to another firm?

No  Yes - Please attach explanation. Proposed Subcontractor: \_\_\_\_\_

The undersigned M/WBE is prepared to provide the following Commodities/Services for the above named Project Contract:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Indicate the Dollar Amount, or Percentage, and the Terms of Payment for the above-described Commodities/ Services:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

*(If more space is needed to fully describe M/WBE Firm's proposed scope of work and/or payment schedule, attach additional sheets)*

THE UNDERSIGNED PARTIES AGREE that this Letter of Intent will become a binding Subcontract Agreement conditioned upon the Bidder/Proposer's receipt of a signed contract from the County of Cook. The Undersigned Parties do also certify that they did not affix their signatures to this document until all areas under Description of Service/ Supply and Fee/Cost were completed.

Signature (M/WBE) \_\_\_\_\_

*James C. Franczek, Jr.*  
Signature (Prime Bidder/Proposer)

Print Name \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name James C. Franczek, Jr.

Firm Name \_\_\_\_\_

Firm Name Franczek Radelet P.C.

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Date February 27, 2013

Subscribed and sworn to me

This \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 20 \_\_\_\_\_

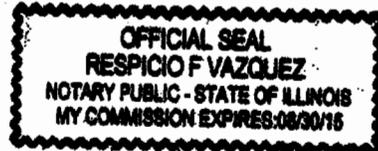
This 27th day of February 20 13

Notary Public \_\_\_\_\_

Notary Public *Respicio F. Vazquez*

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**PETITION FOR WAIVER OF MBE/WBE PARTICIPATION (SECTION 3)**

**A. BIDDER/PROPOSER HEREBY REQUESTS:**

- FULL MBE WAIVER                       FULL WBE WAIVER
- REDUCTION (PARTIAL MBE and/or WBE PARTICIPATION)
- \_\_\_\_\_ % of Reduction for MBE Participation
- \_\_\_\_\_ % of Reduction for WBE Participation

**B. REASON FOR FULL/REDUCTION WAIVER REQUEST**

Bidder/Proposer shall check each item applicable to its reason for a waiver request. Additionally, supporting documentation shall be submitted with this request. If such supporting documentation cannot be submitted with bid/proposal/quotation such documentation shall be submitted directly to the Office of Contract Compliance no later than three (3) days from the date of submission date.

- (1) Lack of sufficient qualified MBEs and/or WBEs capable of providing the goods or services required by the contract. (Please explain)
- (2) The specifications and necessary requirements for performing the contract make it impossible or economically infeasible to divide the contract to enable the contractor to utilize MBEs and/or WBEs in accordance with the applicable participation. (Please explain)
- (3) Price(s) quoted by potential MBEs and/or WBEs are above competitive levels and increase cost of doing business and would make acceptance of such MBE and/or WBE bid economically impracticable, taking into consideration the percentage of total contract price represented by such MBE and/or WBE bid. (Please explain)
- (4) There are other relevant factors making it impossible or economically infeasible to utilize MBE and/or WBE firms. (Please explain)

**C. GOOD FAITH EFFORTS TO OBTAIN MBE/WBE PARTICIPATION**

- (1) Made timely written solicitation to identified MBEs and WBEs for utilization of goods and/or services; and provided MBEs and WBEs with a timely opportunity to review and obtain relevant specifications, terms and conditions of the proposal to enable MBEs and WBEs to prepare an informed response to solicitation. (Please attach)
- (2) Followed up initial solicitation of MBEs and WBEs to determine if firms are interested in doing business. (Please attach)
- (3) Advertised in a timely manner in one or more daily newspapers and/or trade publication for MBEs and WBEs for supply of goods and services. (Please attach)
- (4) Used the services and assistance of the Office of Contract Compliance staff. (Please explain)
- (5) Engaged MBEs & WBEs for indirect participation. (Please explain)

**D. OTHER RELEVANT INFORMATION**

Attach any other documentation relative to Good Faith Efforts in complying with MBE/WBE participation.

**APPENDIX- PETITION FOR WAIVER OF MBE/WBE PARTICIPATION**

**B. REASON FOR FULL/REDUCTION WAIVER REQUEST**

Based on the qualifications outlined in the RFQ we are confident we can provide quality legal representation and a superior level of service to Cook County that cannot be matched by other local law firms. We do not subcontract any of our legal work to other firms as a way to maximize efficiency and reduce cost for our clients.

Although Franczek Radelet is not a minority, a female, or a disabled person-owned firm, we are unconditionally committed to the goal of diversity in the workplace. We recognize that diversity makes for a broader, richer environment which produces more creative thinking, resulting in more effective business solutions for the firm and our clients. It is also our practice to maintain business relationships with minority, female, and disabled person-owned businesses.

Franczek Radelet is a diverse firm: 62% of our employees are women and 22% represent minorities; 53% of our associates are women and 27% are minorities; 34% of our partners are women and 8% are minorities. The firm is an equal employment opportunity employer and has both an Equal Employment Opportunity and Anti-Harassment Policy. Firm partner Michael J. Hernandez, who serves as the firm's Diversity Officer, has formulated a Diversity Initiative which includes Firm Diversity Policy and Best Practices, monitoring compliance, and advising the Firm's Executive Committee on diversity issues.

**C. GOOD FAITH EFFORTS TO OBTAIN MBE/WBE PARTICIPATION**

Franczek Radelet regularly engages with MBE and WBE businesses to fulfill the Firm's and client's needs beyond legal services. Some of the minority or women owned businesses we have used including the following: court reporting services: JoAnne Cimino Court Reporting; Marzullo Reporting Agency; Dr. Beatriz Arias; M & M Reporting, Inc.; Victoria Court Reporting; and Sonntag Reporting Service, Ltd.; leadership and relationship development coaching firm Akina Corporation; photographer R2A Photography and graphic designer Stephanie L.A. Kiefer.

**CERTIFICATIONS (SECTION 4)**

THE FOLLOWING CERTIFICATIONS ARE MADE PURSUANT TO STATE LAW AND THE CODE. THE UNDERSIGNED IS CAUTIONED TO CAREFULLY READ THESE CERTIFICATIONS PRIOR TO SIGNING THE SIGNATURE PAGE. SIGNING THE SIGNATURE PAGE SHALL CONSTITUTE A WARRANTY BY THE UNDERSIGNED THAT ALL THE STATEMENTS, CERTIFICATIONS AND INFORMATION SET FORTH WITHIN THESE CERTIFICATIONS ARE TRUE, COMPLETE AND CORRECT AS OF THE DATE THE SIGNATURE PAGE IS SIGNED. THE UNDERSIGNED IS NOTIFIED THAT IF THE COUNTY LEARNS THAT ANY OF THE FOLLOWING CERTIFICATIONS WERE FALSELY MADE, THAT ANY CONTRACT ENTERED INTO WITH THE UNDERSIGNED SHALL BE SUBJECT TO TERMINATION.

**A. PERSONS AND ENTITIES SUBJECT TO DISQUALIFICATION**

No person or business entity shall be awarded a contract or sub-contract, for a period of five (5) years from the date of conviction or entry of a plea or admission of guilt, civil or criminal, if that person or business entity:

- 1) Has been convicted of an act committed, within the State of Illinois, of bribery or attempting to bribe an officer or employee of a unit of state, federal or local government or school district in the State of Illinois in that officer's or employee's official capacity;
- 2) Has been convicted by federal, state or local government of an act of bid-rigging or attempting to rig bids as defined in the Sherman Anti-Trust Act and Clayton Act: Act. 15 U.S.C. Section 1 et seq.;
- 3) Has been convicted of bid-rigging or attempting to rig bids under the laws of federal, state or local government;
- 4) Has been convicted of an act committed, within the State, of price-fixing or attempting to fix prices as defined by the Sherman Anti-Trust Act and the Clayton Act. 15 U.S.C. Section 1, et seq.;
- 5) Has been convicted of price-fixing or attempting to fix prices under the laws the State;
- 6) Has been convicted of defrauding or attempting to defraud any unit of state or local government or school district within the State of Illinois;
- 7) Has made an admission of guilt of such conduct as set forth in subsections (1) through (6) above which admission is a matter of record, whether or not such person or business entity was subject to prosecution for the offense or offenses admitted to; or
- 8) Has entered a plea of *nolo contendere* to charge of bribery, price-fixing, bid-rigging, or fraud, as set forth in sub-paragraphs (1) through (6) above.

In the case of bribery or attempting to bribe, a business entity may not be awarded a contract if an official, agent or employee of such business entity committed the Prohibited Act on behalf of the business entity and pursuant to the direction or authorization of an officer, director or other responsible official of the business entity, and such Prohibited Act occurred within three years prior to the award of the contract. In addition, a business entity shall be disqualified if an owner, partner or shareholder controlling, directly or indirectly, 20 % or more of the business entity or an officer of the business entity has performed any Prohibited Act within five years prior to the award of the Contract.

**THE UNDERSIGNED HEREBY CERTIFIES THAT:** The Undersigned has read the provisions of Section A, Persons and Entities Subject to Disqualification, that the Undersigned has not committed any Prohibited Act set forth in Section A, and that award of the Contract to the Undersigned would not violate the provisions of such Section or of the Code.

**B. BID-RIGGING OR BID ROTATING**

**THE UNDERSIGNED HEREBY CERTIFIES THAT:** In accordance with 720 ILCS 5/33 E-11, neither the Undersigned nor any Affiliated Entity is barred from award of this Contract as a result of a conviction for the violation of State laws prohibiting bid-rigging or bid rotating.

**C. DRUG FREE WORKPLACE ACT**

**THE UNDERSIGNED HEREBY CERTIFIES THAT:** The Undersigned will provide a drug free workplace, as required by Public Act 88-1459 (30 ILCS 580/2-11).

**D. DELINQUENCY IN PAYMENT OF TAXES**

**THE UNDERSIGNED HEREBY CERTIFIES THAT:** *The Undersigned is not an owner or a party responsible for the payment of any tax or fee administered by Cook County, by a local municipality, or by the Illinois Department of Revenue, which such tax or fee is delinquent, such as bar award of a contract or subcontract pursuant to the Code, Chapter 34, Section 34-129.*

**E. HUMAN RIGHTS ORDINANCE**

No person who is a party to a contract with Cook County ("County") shall engage in unlawful discrimination or sexual harassment against any individual in the terms or conditions of employment, credit, public accommodations, housing, or provision of County facilities, services or programs (Code Chapter 42, Section 42-30 et seq).

**F. ILLINOIS HUMAN RIGHTS ACT**

**THE UNDERSIGNED HEREBY CERTIFIES THAT:** *It is in compliance with the Illinois Human Rights Act (775 ILCS 5/2-105), and agrees to abide by the requirements of the Act as part of its contractual obligations.*

**G. MACBRIDE PRINCIPLES, CODE CHAPTER 34, SECTION 34-132**

If the primary contractor currently conducts business operations in Northern Ireland, or will conduct business during the projected duration of a County contract, the primary contractor shall make all reasonable and good faith efforts to conduct any such business operations in Northern Ireland in accordance with the MacBride Principles for Northern Ireland as defined in Illinois Public Act 85-1390.

**H. LIVING WAGE ORDINANCE PREFERENCE (COOK COUNTY CODE, CHAPTER 34, SECTION 34-127)**

The Code requires that a living wage must be paid to individuals employed by a Contractor which has a County Contract and by all subcontractors of such Contractor under a County Contract, throughout the duration of such County Contract. The amount of such living wage is determined from time to time by, and is available from, the Chief Financial Officer of the County.

For purposes of this EDS Section 4, H, "Contract" means any written agreement whereby the County is committed to or does expend funds in connection with the agreement or subcontract thereof. The term "Contract" as used in this EDS, Section 4, I, specifically excludes contracts with the following:

- 1) Not-For Profit Organizations (defined as a corporation having tax exempt status under Section 501(C)(3) of the United State Internal Revenue Code and recognized under the Illinois State not-for-profit law);
- 2) Community Development Block Grants;
- 3) Cook County Works Department;
- 4) Sheriff's Work Alternative Program; and
- 5) Department of Correction inmates.

**REQUIRED DISCLOSURES (SECTION 5)**

**1. DISCLOSURE OF LOBBYIST CONTACTS**

List all persons or entities that have made lobbying contacts on your behalf with respect to this contract:

Name	Address
N/A	N/A

**2. LOCAL BUSINESS PREFERENCE DISCLOSURE; COCE, CHAPTER 34, SECTION 34-151(p);**

"Local Business" shall mean a person authorized to transact business in this State and having a bona fide establishment for transacting business located within Cook County at which it was actually transacting business on the date when any competitive solicitation for a public contract is first advertised or announced and further which employs the majority of its regular, full time work force within Cook County, including a foreign corporation duly authorized to transact business in this State and which has a bona fide establishment for transacting business located within Cook County at which it was actually transacting business on the date when any competitive solicitation for a public contract is first advertised or announced and further which employs the majority of its regular, full time work force within Cook County.

a) Is Bidder a "Local Business" as defined above?

Yes:   X   No:           

b) If yes, list business addresses within Cook County:

  300 South Wacker Drive, Suite 3400    
  Chicago, IL 60606  

c) Does Bidder employ the majority of its regular full-time workforce within Cook County?

Yes:   X   No:           

**3. THE CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT ORDINANCE (PREFERENCE (CODE, CHAPTER 34, SECTION 34-366)**

Every Applicant for a County Privilege shall be in full compliance with any child support order before such Applicant is entitled to receive or renew a County Privilege. When delinquent child support exists, the County shall not issue or renew any County Privilege, and may revoke any County Privilege.

**All Applicants are required to review the Cook County Affidavit of Child Support Obligations attached to this ECS (ECS-8) and complete the following, based upon the definitions and other information included in such Affidavit.**

**4. REAL ESTATE OWNERSHIP DISCLOSURES.**

The Undersigned must indicate by checking the appropriate provision below and providing all required information that either:

- a) The following is a complete list of all real estate owned by the Undersigned in Cook County:

PERMANENT INDEX NUMBER(S): \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
**(ATTACH SHEET IF NECESSARY TO LIST ADDITIONAL INDEX NUMBERS)**

OR:

- b)  The Undersigned owns no real estate in Cook County.

**5. EXCEPTIONS TO CERTIFICATIONS OR DISCLOSURES.**

If the Undersigned is unable to certify to any of the Certifications or any other statements contained in this EDS and not explained elsewhere in this EDS, the Undersigned must explain below:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

If the letters, "NA", the word "None" or "No Response" appears above, or if the space is left blank, it will be conclusively presumed that the Undersigned certified to all Certifications and other statements contained in this EDS.

**COOK COUNTY DISCLOSURE OF OWNERSHIP INTEREST STATEMENT**

The Cook County Code of Ordinances (§2-810. et seq.) requires that any Applicant for any County Action must disclose information concerning ownership interests in the Applicant. This Disclosure of Ownership Interest Statement must be completed with all information current as of the date this Statement is signed. Furthermore, this Statement must be kept current, by filing an amended Statement, until such time as the County Board or County Agency shall take action on the application. The information contained in this Statement will be maintained in a database and made available for public viewing.

If you are asked to list names, but there are no applicable names to list, you must state NONE. An incomplete Statement will be returned and any action regarding this contract will be delayed. A failure to fully comply with the ordinance may result in the action taken by the County Board or County Agency being voided.

"Applicant" means any Entity or person making an application to the County for any County Action.

"County Action" means any action by a County Agency, a County Department, or the County Board regarding an ordinance or ordinance amendment, a County Board approval, or other County agency approval, with respect to contracts, leases, or sale or purchase of real estate.

"Entity" or "Legal Entity" means a sole proprietorship, corporation, partnership, association, business trust, estate, two or more persons having a joint or common interest, trustee of a land trust, other commercial or legal entity or any beneficiary or beneficiaries thereof.

This Disclosure of Ownership Interest Statement must be submitted by :

1. An Applicant for County Action and
2. An Individual or Legal Entity that holds stock or a beneficial interest in the Applicant and is listed on the Applicant's Statement (a "Holder") must file a Statement and complete #1 only under Ownership Interest Declaration.

Please print or type responses clearly and legibly. Add additional pages if needed, being careful to identify each portion of the form to which each additional page refers.

This Statement is being made by the  Applicant or  Stock/Beneficial Interest Holder

This Statement is an  Original Statement or  Amended Statement

**Identifying Information:**

Name Franczek Radelet, P.C. D/B/A: \_\_\_\_\_ EIN NO.: 36-3924177

Street Address: 300 S. Wacker Drive, Suite 3400

City: Chicago State: IL Zip Code: 60606

Phone No.: (312) 986-0300

**Form of Legal Entity:**

Sole Proprietor  Partnership  Corporation  Trustee of Land Trust

Business Trust  Estate  Association  Joint Venture

Other (describe) \_\_\_\_\_

**Ownership Interest Declaration:**

1. List the name(s), address, and percent ownership of each individual and each Entity having a legal or beneficial interest (including ownership) of more than five percent (5%) in the Applicant Holder.

Name	Address	Percentage Interest in Applicant/Holder
<u>Franczek Radelet has 28 equity partners, none of these partners own 5% or more of the Firm.</u>		

2. If the interest of any individual or any Entity listed in (1) above is held as an agent or agents, or a nominee or nominees. List the name and address of the principal on whose behalf the interest is held.

Name of Agent/Nominee	Name of Principal	Principal's Address

3. Is the Applicant constructively controlled by another person or Legal Entity? [ ] Yes [ X ] No

If yes, state the name, address and percentage of beneficial interest of such person or legal entity, and the relationship under which such control is being or may be exercised.

Name	Address	Percentage of Beneficial Interest	Relationship

**Declaration (check the applicable box):**

- [ ] I state under oath that the Applicant has withheld no disclosure as to ownership interest in the Applicant nor reserved any information, data or plan as to the intended use or purpose for which the Applicant seeks County Board or other County Agency action.
- [ ] I state under oath that the Holder has withheld no disclosure as to ownership interest nor reserved any information required to be disclosed.

James C. Franczek, Jr.

Name of Authorized Applicant/Holder Representative (please print or type)

Signature

Signature

E-mail address

President/Partner

Title

February 27, 2013

Date

(312) 786-6110

Phone Number

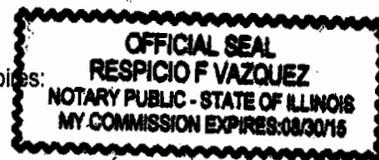
Subscribed to and sworn before me

this 27th day of February 20 13.

X

Respicio F Vazquez  
Notary Public Signature

My commission expires:



Notary Seal

**SIGNATURE BY A CORPORATION**  
**(SECTION 9)**

The Undersigned hereby certifies and warrants: that all of the statements, certifications, and representations set forth in this EDS are true, complete and correct; that the Undersigned is in full compliance and will continue to be in compliance throughout the term of the Contract or County Privilege issued to the Undersigned with all the policies and requirements set forth in this EDS; and that all of the facts and information provided by the Undersigned in this EDS are true, complete and correct. The Undersigned agrees to inform the Chief Procurement Officer in writing if any of such statements, certifications, representations, facts or information becomes or is found to be untrue, incomplete or incorrect during the term of the Contract or County Privilege.

BUSINESS NAME: Franczek Radelet P.C.

BUSINESS ADDRESS: 300 S. Wacker Drive, Suite 3400; Chicago, IL 60606

BUSINESS TELEPHONE: (312) 986-0300 FAX NUMBER: (312) 986-9192

CONTACT PERSON: Respicio F. Vazquez, Partner

FEIN: 36-3924177 \*IL COPROPRATE FILE NUMBER: 57556943

LIST THE FOLLOWING COPROPRATE OFFICERS:

PRESIDENT: James C. Franczek, Jr. VICE PRESIDENT: N/A

SECRETARY: David P. Radelet TREASURER: Ronald J. Hein, Jr.

\*\* SIGNATURE OF PRESIDENT: *James C. Franczek, Jr.*

ATTEST: *David P. Radelet* (CORPORATE SECRETARY)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

27th day of February 20 13.

X *Respicio F. Vazquez*  
Notary Public Signature

My commission expires:

Notary Seal



\* If the corporation is not registered in the State of Illinois, a copy of the Certificate of Good Standing from the state of Incorporation must be submitted with this Signature Page.

\*\* In the event that this Signature Page is signed by any persons than the President and Secretary, attach either a certified copy of the corporate by-laws, resolution or other authorization by the corporation, authorizing such persons to sign the Signature Page on behalf of the corporation.

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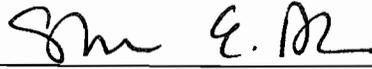


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COOK COUNTY SIGNATURE PAGE  
(SECTION 10)

ON BEHALF OF THE COUNTY OF COOK, A BODY POLITIC AND CORPORATE OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THIS CONTRACT IS HEREBY EXECUTED BY:



COOK COUNTY CHIEF PROCUREMENT OFFICER

DATED AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS THIS 23 DAY OF May, 2013.

IN THE CASE OF A BID PROPOSAL, THE COUNTY HEREBY ACCEPTS:

THE FOREGOING BID/PROPOSAL AS IDENTIFIED IN THE CONTRACT DOCUMENTS FOR CONTRACT NUMBER

13-90-048

OR

ITEM(S), SECTION(S), PART(S): \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL AMOUNT OF CONTRACT: \$ Depends Upon Requirements (DUR)  
(DOLLARS AND CENTS)

FUND CHARGEABLE: \_\_\_\_\_

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

NOT REQUIRED

ASSISTANT STATE'S ATTORNEY  
(Required on contracts over \$1,000,000.00)

APPROVED AS AMENDED  
BY THE BOARD OF COOK COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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