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October 24, 2017

Mr. Frank Haney
Chairman
Winnebago County
404 Elm Street
Rockford, IL 61101

**VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL
PRIVILEGED AND CONFIDENTIAL**

Re: Engagement of Robbins Schwartz

Dear Mr. Haney:

This confirms our recent discussion concerning engagement of Robbins Schwartz to provide legal services to Winnebago County. As discussed the County is retaining my firm on a single project basis. For such services, Robbins Schwartz will provide the County with a discounted hourly billing rate \$225 an hour for attorneys and \$125 an hour for paralegal. Travel time will be no charge. We generally bill on a quarter hour basis and issue fee invoices monthly. Invoices are provided in a detailed billing description format.

As with all legal engagements, the County may discontinue this engagement at any time without further obligation other than any fees billed through the date of termination.

Please have the letter signed by the appropriate representative in the space below and return a copy to my attention.

We look forward to the opportunity to work with you and the County.

Very truly yours,

ROBBINS SCHWARTZ



By: Joseph J. Perkosi

JJP/sel

I have read the above Engagement Letter and agree and accept all of the terms and conditions as set forth therein.

Dated: 10/27/2017

Name: 
Frank Haney, Chairman

EXHIBIT A

Attorneys at Law

STATE OF ILLINOIS, } ss.
COUNTY OF WINNEBAGO }

I, MARGIE M. MULLINS, County Clerk in and for said County, in the State aforesaid, do hereby certify that I have compared the foregoing attached copy of:

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING HIRING OF THE LAW FIRM OF ROBBINS
SCHWARTZ TO REPRESENT THE COUNTY OF WINNEBAGO, COUNTY
BOARD CHAIRMAN FRANK HANEY, AND COUNTY TREASURER SUSAN
GORAL IN WINNEBAGO COUNTY CASE 2017-MR-658

With the original document which is on file in my office; and found it to be a true, perfect and complete copy of the original document



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said County, at my office in the City of Rockford, in said County,

this 27TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 2017.

MARGIE M. MULLINS, Winnebago County Clerk

BY:  Deputy County Clerk

RESOLUTION
of the
COUNTY BOARD OF THE COUNTY OF WINNEBAGO, ILLINOIS

Submitted by: Finance Committee

2017 CR 138

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SCHWARTZ TO REPRESENT THE COUNTY OF WINNEBAGO, COUNTY
BOARD CHAIRMAN FRANK HANEY AND COUNTY TREASURER SUSAN
GORAL IN WINNEBAGO COUNTY CASE 2017-MR-658**

WHEREAS, Winnebago County, County Board Chairman Frank Haney, and County Treasurer Susan Goral have been named as defendants in Case 2017-MR-658 filed in the Circuit Court for the 17th Judicial Circuit, Winnebago County; and

WHEREAS, it is the duty of the Winnebago County State's Attorney to defend the County in its elected officials in such suits; and

WHEREAS, it has become necessary for the Winnebago County State's Attorney to recuse himself from representing the defendants in this lawsuit; and

WHEREAS, the Winnebago County State's Attorney has sought alternative public agency representation of the defendants pursuant to 55 ILCS 5/3-9008(a-20); and

WHEREAS, no public agency has volunteered to represent the defendants in the lawsuit; and

WHEREAS, the Court in the lawsuit has authorized the defendants to engage the services of private counsel to represent them in the lawsuit.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the County Board of the County of Winnebago that the Chairman of the County Board of the County of Winnebago is authorized and directed to execute an engagement agreement with the law firm of Robbins Schwartz to represent the defendants in 2017-MR-658 substantially in the form of the agreement that is attached hereto as Exhibit A.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its adoption.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the County Board is hereby authorized to prepare and deliver certified copies of this Resolution to the Winnebago County State's Attorney and to Attorney Joseph J. Perkoski at Robbins Schwartz, 55 W. Monroe St, Suite 800, Chicago, Illinois 60603-5144.

Respectfully Submitted,
FINANCE COMMITTEE

(AGREE)

(DISAGREE)

Ted Biondo

TED BIONDO, CHAIRMAN

Gary Jury

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JOE HOFFMAN

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KEITH McDONALD

The above and foregoing Resolution was adopted by the County Board of the County of Winnebago, Illinois this 26th day of October 2017.

Frank Haney

FRANK HANEY
CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNTY BOARD
OF THE COUNTY OF WINNEBAGO, ILLINOIS

ATTESTED BY:

Margie M. Mullins

MARGIE M. MULLINS
CLERK OF THE COUNTY BOARD
OF THE COUNTY OF WINNEBAGO, ILLINOIS