RESOLUTION NO: 2021-02-025

LIVINGSTON COUNTY

DATE: February 22, 2021

Resolution Authorizing Agreements with Multiple Vendors to Provide Court Appointed Attorney Services - 44th Circuit Court – Juvenile Division

WHEREAS, the 44th Circuit Court – Juvenile Division – requires attorneys to provide Court Appointed Legal Counsel to minor children and parents in child protective proceedings and respondent children in juvenile delinquency proceedings; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the County's Procurement Policy, a formal Request for Qualification (RFQu) bid process was performed and thirteen (13) responses were received and evaluated; and

WHEREAS, the Circuit Court – Juvenile Division – has reviewed the submitted RFQus, authorize and recommend contracting with the following list of individual attorneys and firms to provide Court Appointed Legal Services in Juvenile Court proceedings:

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1.	Samuel Bennett, Bennett Law Firm
2.	Adrienne Brown
3.	Stacy Combs
4.	Kevin Cummings
5.	Steven Dodge
6.	Paige Favio
7.	Ashley Jacobson
8.	Kristina Knight
9.	William Livingston
10.	Cheryl Lopez, Lopez and Associates
11.	Kevin Nagle
12.	Denoyer & Ostrowski PC
13.	Ameel Trabilsy II

WHEREAS, the term of each contract will commence on or about March 1, 2021, and expire on December 31, 2021 with the option to renew for up to two (2) additional one-year periods, for a total contract period not to exceed three (3) years. The structure of payments to approved attorneys has not changed; and

WHEREAS, Livingston County Circuit Court intends to periodically reopen the Request for Qualifications (RFQu) process to consider new responses and supplement, modify, or reduce the list of prequalified contract attorneys; and

WHEREAS, funding is available within the Juvenile Court budget and partially grant funded, as well.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the Livingston County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes entry into contracts for Juvenile Court Appointed Legal Services per the payment rate structure with the recommended Master List of attorneys above beginning March 1, 2021, with the option to

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renew for up to two (2) additional one-year periods, for a total contract period not to exceed three (3) years.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Chief Judge of the Circuit Court is authorized to determine the qualification of future applicants through the RFQu process, if any, to be included now or in the future on the Master List as eligible for contracts to provide legal counsel to minor children and parents in child protective proceedings, as well as respondent children in juvenile delinquency proceedings. The Master List of eligible attorneys, from those who have submitted an application for pre-qualification, may be added to, expanded, reduced, deleted or otherwise modified by the Chief Judge with written notice to the County Administrator and upon certification by the Chief Judge and Court Financial Officer that such contracts are within the approved budget allocation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chairperson of the Livingston County Board of Commissioners is authorized to sign all forms, assurances, contracts/agreements, renewals and future amendments for monetary and contract language adjustments related to the above upon review and/or preparation of Civil Counsel.

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