

RESOLUTION

NO: 2023-08-152

LIVINGSTON COUNTY

DATE: August 28, 2023

Resolution Authorizing Felony Public Defender Contracts – Public Defender

WHEREAS, Livingston County Public Defender’s Office requires contracts with private attorneys to serve as Public Defenders for indigent criminal defendants; and

WHEREAS, the Public Defender’s Office intends to contract with the following attorneys to provide services, as MIDC compliant Public Defenders, to indigent felony defendants for \$150 per hour; and

ATTORNEY
James Buttrey
Mark Scharrer
Steven Dodge

WHEREAS, the funding for these contracts will be appropriated in the 2024 Public Defender Budget.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Livingston County Board of Commissioners concurs and authorizes indigent felony Public Defender contracts with attorneys James Buttrey, Mark Scharrer, and Steven Dodge for FY 2024, with a contract term commencing on October 1, 2023, and expiring on September 30, 2024, and with two (2) additional one-year options to renew, for a total contract period not to exceed three (3) years.

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

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Livingston County Board of Commissioners authorizes any necessary budget amendment to effectuate the above.

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