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## City of Newark

City Hall 920 Broad Street Newark, New Jersey 07102

## **Legislation Text**

Dept/ Agency: Office of the Mayor
Action: ( ) Ratifying (X) Authorizing ( ) Amending
Type of Service: Professional Service Contract
Purpose: Contract for Per Diem Municipal Public Defender
Entity Name: Bryan F. Ferrick, Esq.
Entity Address: 665 Newark Avenue, Room 404, Jersey City, New Jersey 07304
Contract Amount: \$15,000.00
Funding Source: City of Newark Budget/Office of the Mayor
Contract Period: January 1, 2013 through December 31, 2013
Contract Basis: ( ) Bid ( ) State Vendor ( X ) Prof. Ser. ( ) EUS
( ) Fair & Open ( ) No Reportable Contributions ( ) RFP ( ) RFQ
( ) Private Sale ( ) Grant ( ) Sub-recipient ( ) n/a
Additional Information:

**WHEREAS**, the City of Newark is in need of Per Diem Attorneys to serve as Municipal Public Defenders to be assigned to cases in the Newark Municipal Court; and

WHEREAS, the City of Newark desires to enter into a contract with Bryan F. Ferrick, Esq., 665 Newark Avenue Room 404, Jersey City, Newark, New Jersey 07304, to serve as a Per Diem Municipal Public Defender for the Newark Municipal Court, representing indigent defendants, for an amount not to exceed \$15,000.00, for the period commencing January 1, 2013 and terminating December 31, 2013; and

**WHEREAS**, this contract is for an amount under \$17,500.00 and therefore is not subject to State Pay-to-Play Law (N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5); and

**WHEREAS**, this contract is being awarded as a Professional Service pursuant to the provisions of the State Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A.:11-5(1)(a)(i); and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor of the City of Newark signed into law Executive Order Number MEO-07-0001 (hereinafter "(Pay-to-Play Executive Order"), which requires reporting of political contributions to Newark Municipal Candidates and prohibits certain political contributions during the duration of the contract; and

**WHEREAS**, the State Local Public Contracts Law, (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1, et seq.) requires a resolution authorizing the award of contracts for "Professional Services".

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEWARK, NEW JERSEY, THAT:

- 1. The Mayor and/or his designee, the Chief Municipal Public Defender, are hereby authorized to enter into and execute a Professional Services contract with **Bryan F. Ferrick, Esq., 665 Newark Avenue, Room 404, Jersey City, Newark, New Jersey 07304**, to serve as a Per Diem Municipal Public Defender for the Newark Municipal Court, representing indigent defendants, for an amount not to exceed \$15,000.00, for the period commencing **January 1, 2013** and terminating **December 31, 2013**.
- 2. This contract is for an amount under \$17,500.00 and therefore is not subject to State Payto-Play Law N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5.
- 3. This contract is being awarded as a Professional Service pursuant to the provisions of the State Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(i) because service required must be performed by someone who is licensed to practice law in the State of New Jersey and is in compliance with Newark Executive Order MEO-07-0001, effective March 31, 2007.
- 4. This contract is being awarded as open-ended contract under N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.5(b), and pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.5(b)(2), a certification of availability of funds shall be executed each time services are used and charged against contract.
- 5. The Chief Municipal Public Defender shall file a copy of the fully-executed contract herein authorized in the Office of the City Clerk and it shall be made available for public inspection.
- 6. A notice of this action shall be published in the newspaper authorized by law to publish a legal advertisement and as required by law within 10 days of its passage.

## **STATEMENT**

This resolution authorizes the Mayor and/or his designee, the Chief Municipal Public Defender, to enter into and execute a professional services contract with **Bryan F. Ferrick**, **Esq.**, **665 Newark Avenue**, **Room 404**, **Jersey City**, **New Jersey 07304**, to serve as a Per Diem Municipal Public Defender for the Newark Municipal Court, representing indigent defendants for an amount not to exceed \$15,000.00, for the period commencing **January 1**, **2013** and terminating **December 31**, **2013**.