



U-42-16

Contract Details

SERVICES: Legal services

NIFS ID #: CQAT16000009 NIFS Entry Date: 02/18/2016 Term: January 1, 2016-December 31, 2016

New <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Renewal <input type="checkbox"/>
Amendment <input type="checkbox"/>
Time Extension <input type="checkbox"/>
Addl. Funds <input type="checkbox"/>
Blanket Resolution <input type="checkbox"/>
RES#

1) Mandated Program:	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
2) Comptroller Approval Form Attached:	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
3) CSEA Agmt. § 32 Compliance Attached:	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
4) Vendor Ownership & Mgmt. Disclosure Attached:	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
5) Insurance Required	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>

Agency Information

Vendor	
Name Cecilia Ameranti-Byrne, Esq.	Vendor ID# [REDACTED]
Address [REDACTED]	Contact Person Cecilia Ameranti-Byrne, Esq. Phone (516) 270-4067

County Department	
Department Contact Jaclyn Delle	
Address 1 West St. Mineola, New York 11501	
Phone (516) 571-3034	

Routing Slip

DATE Rec'd	DEPARTMENT	Internal Verification	DATE App'd & Fwd'd	SIGNATURE	Leg. Approval Required
	Department	NIFS Entry (Dept) <input type="checkbox"/> NIFS Appvl (Dept. Head) <input type="checkbox"/>		COLE J LUK	
	OMB	NIFS Approval <input type="checkbox"/>	3/1/16	[Signature]	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Not required if blanket resolution
3/10/16	County Attorney	CA RE&I Verification <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	3/10/16	Jaclyn Delle	
3/10/16	County Attorney	CA Approval as to form <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	3/10/16	Jaclyn Delle	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
	LEG	Legislative Affairs <input type="checkbox"/>			
	Rules <input type="checkbox"/> / Leg. <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
3/10/16	County Attorney	NIFS Approval <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	3/10/16	Jaclyn Delle	
	County Comptroller	NIFS Approval <input type="checkbox"/>			
5/15/16	County Executive	Notarization Filed with Clerk of the Leg. <input type="checkbox"/>	5/15/16	CU	



Contract Summary

Description: Original contract
Purpose: This is a new outside counsel contract consisting of drafting, researching, counseling, and assisting in the implementation of legislation on any New York State or County initiatives as requested by the Department, including, but not limited to, the disputed assessment fund. Further, Counsel shall also provide counsel, as directed by the Department, to the County's Assessment Review Commission Department.
Method of Procurement: A Request for Qualifications ("RFQ") was issued and a panel of firms qualified to provide legal services for the County has been established. Cecilia Ameranti-Byrne, Esq. has submitted a proposal in response to the RFQ and has been added to this panel. After a review of the panel, Cecilia Ameranti-Byrne has been selected to handle this matter because of her experience, expertise in the subject matter, and availability.
Procurement History: Cecilia Ameranti-Byrne has had previous contracts with the County and is on the RFQ panel.
Description of General Provisions: As described above.
Impact on Funding / Price Analysis: \$24,900.00
Change in Contract from Prior Procurement: N/A
Recommendation: Approve as submitted.

Advisement Information

BUDGET CODES	
Fund:	GEN
Control:	AT
Resp:	1100
Object:	DE502
Transaction:	

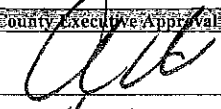

FUNDING SOURCE	AMOUNT
Revenue Contract <input type="checkbox"/>	XXXXXXX
County	\$24,900.00
Federal	\$
State	\$
Capital	\$
Other	\$
TOTAL	\$24,900.00

LINE	INDEX/OBJECT CODE	AMOUNT
1	ATGEN1100/DE502	\$24,900.00
2		\$
3		\$
4		\$
5		\$
6		\$
TOTAL		\$24,900.00

RENEWAL	
% Increase	
% Decrease	

Document Prepared By: _____

Date: _____

NIFS Certification	Comptroller Certification	County Executive Approval
I certify that this document was accepted into NIFS.	I certify that an unencumbered balance sufficient to cover this contract is present in the appropriation to be charged.	Name 
Name	Name	Date 
Date	Date	E #:

(For Office Use Only)



Nassau County Interim Finance Authority

Contract Approval Request Form (As of January 1, 2015)

1. Vendor: Cecilia Ameranti-Byrne, Esq. (CQAT16000009)

2. Dollar amount requiring NIFA approval: \$ 24,900.00

Amount to be encumbered: \$ 24,900.00

This is a ☒ New Contract ☐ Advisement ☐ Amendment

If new contract - \$ amount should be full amount of contract

If advisement - NIFA only needs to review if it is increasing funds above the amount previously approved by NIFA

If amendment - \$ amount should be full amount of amendment only

3. Contract Term: 01/01/2016-12/31/2016

Has work or services on this contract commenced? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If yes, please explain: Due to time sensitivity of services, services commenced prior to full approval

4. Funding Source:

☒ General Fund (GEN)
☐ Capital Improvement Fund (CAP)
☐ Other

☐ Grant Fund (GRT)

Federal %
State %
County % 100

Is the cash available for the full amount of the contract?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If not, will it require a future borrowing?

☐ Yes ☐ No

Has the County Legislature approved the borrowing?

☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A

Has NIFA approved the borrowing for this contract?

☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A

5. Provide a brief description (4 to 5 sentences) of the item for which this approval is requested:

This is a new outside counsel contract to provide services consisting of drafting, researching, counseling, and assisting in the implementation of legislation on any New York State or County initiatives as requested by the Department, including, but not limited to, the disputed assessment fund. Further, contractor shall also provide counsel, as directed by the Department, to the County's Assessment Review Commission Department.

6. Has the item requested herein followed all proper procedures and thereby approved by the:

Nassau County Attorney as to form ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A
Nassau County Committee and/or Legislature ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A

Date of approval(s) and citation to the resolution where approval for this item was provided:

7. Identify all contracts (with dollar amounts) with this or an affiliated party within the prior 12 months:

-CQAT15000010, max amount \$25,000, encumbered \$15,000 on 05/13/2015
-CAAT16000002 (CQAT15000010), advisement to encumber previously authorized but unencumbered amount of \$3,000 currently in approval pipeline

AUTHORIZATION

To the best of my knowledge, I hereby certify that the information contained in this Contract Approval Request Form and any additional information submitted in connection with this request is true and accurate and that all expenditures that will be made in reliance on this authorization are in conformance with the Nassau County Approved Budget and not in conflict with the Nassau County Multi-Year Financial Plan. I understand that NIFA will rely upon this information in its official deliberations.

Roseann Sullivan 3/3/16
Signature Title Date

Print Name

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE

To the best of my knowledge, I hereby certify that the information listed is true and accurate and is in conformance with the Nassau County Approved Budget and not in conflict with the Nassau County Multi-Year Financial Plan.

Regarding funding, please check the correct response:

☐ I certify that the funds are available to be encumbered pending NIFA approval of this contract.

If this is a capital project:

☐ I certify that the bonding for this contract has been approved by NIFA.

☐ Budget is available and funds have been encumbered but the project requires NIFA bonding authorization

Signature Title Date

Print Name

NIFA

Amount being approved by NIFA: _____

Signature Title Date

Print Name

NOTE: All contract submissions MUST include the County's own routing slip, current NIFS printouts for all relevant accounts and relevant Nassau County Legislature communication documents and relevant supplemental information pertaining to the item requested herein.

NIFA Contract Approval Request Form MUST be filled out in its entirety before being submitted to NIFA for review.

NIFA reserves the right to request additional information as needed.

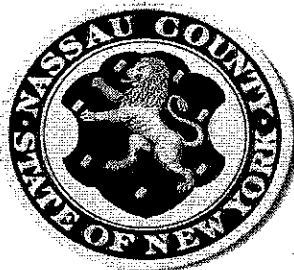
RULES RESOLUTION NO. - 2016

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE
TO EXECUTE A SPECIAL COUNSEL CONTRACT BETWEEN THE
COUNTY OF NASSAU, ACTING ON BEHALF OF THE NASSAU
COUNTY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE, AND CECILIA AMERANTI-BYRNE,
ESQ.

WHEREAS, the County has negotiated a Special Counsel agreement
with Cecilia Ameranti-Byrne, Esq. to provide legal services, a copy of which
is on file with the Clerk of the Legislature; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Rules Committee of the Nassau County
Legislature authorize the County Executive to execute the said Special
Counsel agreement with Cecilia Ameranti-Byrne, Esq.

George Maragos
Comptroller



OFFICE OF THE COMPTROLLER
240 Old Country Road
Mineola, New York 11501

COMPTROLLER APPROVAL FORM FOR PERSONAL, PROFESSIONAL OR HUMAN SERVICES CONTRACTS

Attach this form along with all personal, professional or human services contracts, contract renewals, extensions and amendments.

CONTRACTOR NAME: Cecilia Ameranti-Byrne, Esq. (CQAT16000009)

CONTRACTOR ADDRESS: [REDACTED]

FEDERAL TAX ID #: [REDACTED]

Instructions: Please check the appropriate box ("☑") after one of the following roman numerals, and provide all the requested information.

I. ☐ The contract was awarded to the lowest, responsible bidder after advertisement for sealed bids. The contract was awarded after a request for sealed bids was published in _____ [newspaper] on _____ [date]. The sealed bids were publicly opened on _____ [date]. _____ [#] of sealed bids were received and opened.

II. ☐ The contractor was selected pursuant to a Request for Proposals.

The Contract was entered into after a written request for proposals was issued on _____ [date]. Potential proposers were made aware of the availability of the RFP by advertisement in _____ [newspaper], posting on industry websites, via email to interested parties and by publication on the County procurement website. Proposals were due on _____ [date]. _____ [state #] proposals were received and evaluated. The evaluation committee consisted of: _____

_____ (list # of persons on committee and their respective departments). The proposals were scored and ranked. As a result of the scoring and ranking, the highest-ranking proposer was selected.

III. ☐ This is a renewal, extension or amendment of an existing contract.

The contract was originally executed by Nassau County on _____ [date]. This is a renewal or extension pursuant to the contract, or an amendment within the scope of the contract or RFP (copies of the relevant pages are attached). The original contract was entered into after _____

[describe procurement method, i.e., RFP, three proposals evaluated, etc.] Attach a copy of the most recent evaluation of the contractor's performance for any contract to be renewed or extended. If the contractor has not received a satisfactory evaluation, the department must explain why the contractor should nevertheless be permitted to continue to contract with the county.

IV. ☐ Pursuant to Executive Order No. 1 of 1993, as amended, at least three proposals were solicited and received. The attached memorandum from the department head describes the proposals received, along with the cost of each proposal.

☐ A. The contract has been awarded to the proposer offering the lowest cost proposal; **OR:**

X B. A Request for Qualifications ("RFQ") was issued and a panel of firms qualified to provide legal services for the County has been established. Cecilia Ameranti-Byrne, Esq. submitted a proposal in response to the RFQ and has been added to this panel. After a review of the panel, Cecilia Ameranti-Byrne was selected to handle this matter because of her experience, expertise in the subject matter, and availability.

V. ☐ Pursuant to Executive Order No. 1 of 1993 as amended, the attached memorandum from the department head explains why the department did not obtain at least three proposals.

☐ A. There are only one or two providers of the services sought or less than three providers submitted proposals; The memorandum describes how the contractor was determined to be the sole source provider of the personal service needed or explains why only two proposals could be obtained. If two proposals were obtained, the memorandum explains that the contract was awarded to the lowest cost proposer, or why the selected proposer offered the higher quality proposal, the proposer's unique and special experience, skill, or expertise, or its availability to perform in the most immediate and timely manner.

☐ B. The memorandum explains that the contractor's selection was dictated by the terms of a federal or New York State grant, by legislation or by a court order. (Copies of the relevant documents are attached).

☐ C. Pursuant to General Municipal Law Section 104, the department is purchasing the services required through a New York State Office of General Services contract no. _____, and the attached memorandum explains how the purchase is within the scope of the terms of that contract.

- ☐ **D.** Pursuant to General Municipal Law Section 119-o, the department is purchasing the services required through an inter-municipal agreement.

VI. ☐ This is a human services contract with a not-for-profit agency for which a competitive process has not been initiated. Attached is a memorandum that explains the reasons for entering into this contract without conducting a competitive process, and details when the department intends to initiate a competitive process for the future award of these services. For any such contract, where the vendor has previously provided services to the county, attach a copy of the most recent evaluation of the vendor's performance. If the contractor has not received a satisfactory evaluation, the department must explain why the contractor should nevertheless be permitted to contract with the county.

In certain limited circumstances, conducting a competitive process and/or completing performance evaluations may not be possible because of the nature of the human services program, or because of a compelling need to continue services through the same provider. In those circumstances, attach an explanation of why a competitive process and/or performance evaluation is inapplicable.

VII. ☐ This is a public works contract for the provision of architectural, engineering or surveying services. The attached memorandum provides details of the department's compliance with Board of Supervisors' Resolution No.928 of 1993, including its receipt and evaluation of annual Statements of Qualifications & Performance Data, and its negotiations with the most highly qualified firms.

VIII. ☒ Participation of Minority Group Members and Women in Nassau County Contracts. The selected contractor has agreed that it has an obligation to utilize best efforts to hire MWBE sub-contractors. Proof of the contractual utilization of best efforts as outlined in Exhibit "EE" may be requested at any time, from time to time, by the Comptroller's Office prior to the approval of claim vouchers.

IX. ☐ Department MWBE responsibilities. To ensure compliance with MWBE requirements as outlined in Exhibit "EE", Department will require vendor to submit list of sub-contractor requirements prior to the contract being submitted to the Comptroller.

X. ☒ Vendor will not require any sub-contractors.

In addition, if this is a contract with an individual or with an entity that has only one or two employees: ☐ a review of the criteria set forth by the Internal Revenue Service, *Revenue Ruling No. 87-41, 1987-1 C.B. 296*, attached as Appendix A to the Comptroller's Memorandum, dated February 13, 2004, concerning independent contractors and employees indicates that the contractor would not be considered an employee for federal tax purposes.


Department Head Signature

2/23/16
Date

NOTE: Any information requested above, or in the exhibit below, may be included in the county's "staff summary" form in lieu of a separate memorandum.

Compt. form Pers./Prof. Services Contracts: Rev. 09/15



COUNTY OF NASSAU

POLITICAL CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION DISCLOSURE FORM

1. Has the vendor or any corporate officers of the vendor provided campaign contributions pursuant to the New York State Election Law in (a) the period beginning April 1, 2016 and ending on the date of this disclosure, or (b), beginning April 1, 2018, the period beginning two years prior to the date of this disclosure and ending on the date of this disclosure, to the campaign committees of any of the following Nassau County elected officials or to the campaign committees of any candidates for any of the following Nassau County elected offices: the County Executive, the County Clerk, the Comptroller, the District Attorney, or any County Legislator? If yes, to what campaign committee?

NO

2. VERIFICATION: This section must be signed by a principal of the consultant, contractor or Vendor authorized as a signatory of the firm for the purpose of executing Contracts.

The undersigned affirms and so swears that he/she has read and understood the foregoing statements and they are, to his/her knowledge, true and accurate.

The undersigned further certifies and affirms that the contribution(s) to the campaign committees identified above were made freely and without duress, threat or any promise of a governmental benefit or in exchange for any benefit or remuneration.

Dated: 4/6/2016

Vendor: Cecilia Ameranti-Byrne, Esq.

Signed: Cecilia Ameranti-Byrne, Esq.

Print Name: Cecilia Ameranti-Byrne, Esq.

Title: _____

PRINCIPAL QUESTIONNAIRE FORM

All questions on these questionnaires must be answered by all officers and any individuals who hold a ten percent (10%) or greater ownership interest in the proposer. Answers typewritten or printed in ink. If you need more space to answer any question, make as many photocopies of the appropriate page(s) as necessary and attach them to the questionnaire.

COMPLETE THIS QUESTIONNAIRE CAREFULLY AND COMPLETELY. FAILURE TO SUBMIT A COMPLETE QUESTIONNAIRE MAY MEAN THAT YOUR BID OR PROPOSAL WILL BE REJECTED AS NON-RESPONSIVE AND IT WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED FOR AWARD

1. Principal Name Cecilia Ameranti-Byrne, Esq.
Date of birth [REDACTED]
Home address [REDACTED]
City/state/zip [REDACTED]
Business address same
City/state/zip _____
Telephone _____
Other present address(es) none
City/state/zip _____
Telephone _____
List of other addresses and telephone numbers attached _____

2. Positions held in submitting business and starting date of each (check all applicable)

President / / Treasurer / /
Chairman of Board / / Shareholder / /
Chief Exec. Officer / / Secretary / /
Chief Financial Officer / / Partner / /
Vice President / /
(Other) Sole proprietor

3. Do you have an equity interest in the business submitting the questionnaire?
YES ☒ NO ☐ If Yes, provide details.
4. Are there any outstanding loans, guarantees or any other form of security or lease or any other type of contribution made in whole or in part between you and the business submitting the questionnaire? YES ☐ NO ☒ If Yes, provide details.
5. Within the past 3 years, have you been a principal owner or officer of any business or not-for-profit organization other than the one submitting the questionnaire? YES ☐ NO ☒ If Yes, provide details.

NOTE: An affirmative answer is required below whether the sanction arose automatically, by operation of law, or as a result of any action taken by a government agency.

Provide a detailed response to all questions checked "YES". If you need more space, photocopy the appropriate page and attach it to the questionnaire.

7. In the past (5) years, have you and/or any affiliated businesses or not-for-profit organizations listed in Section 5 in which you have been a principal owner or officer:
- Been debarred by any government agency from entering into contracts with that agency? NO ☒ YES ____ If Yes, provide details for each such instance.
 - Been declared in default and/or terminated for cause on any contract, and/or had any contracts cancelled for cause? NO ☒ YES ____ If Yes, provide details for each such instance.
 - Been denied the award of a contract and/or the opportunity to bid on a contract, including, but not limited to, failure to meet pre-qualification standards? NO ☒ YES ____ If Yes, provide details for each such instance.
 - Been suspended by any government agency from entering into any contract with it; and/or is any action pending that could formally debar or otherwise affect such business's ability to bid or propose on contract? NO ☒ YES ____ If Yes, provide details for each such instance.
8. Have any of the businesses or organizations listed in response to Question 5 filed a bankruptcy petition and/or been the subject of involuntary bankruptcy proceedings during the past 7 years, and/or for any portion of the last 7 year period, been in a state of bankruptcy as a result of bankruptcy proceedings initiated more than 7 years ago and/or is any such business now the subject of any pending bankruptcy proceedings, whenever initiated? If 'Yes', provide details for each such instance. (Provide a detailed response to all questions checked "YES". If you need more space, photocopy the appropriate page and attach it to the questionnaire.)
- Is there any felony charge pending against you? NO ☒ YES ____ If Yes, provide details for each such charge.
 - Is there any misdemeanor charge pending against you? NO ☒ YES ____ If Yes, provide details for each such charge.
 - Is there any administrative charge pending against you? NO ☒ YES ____ If Yes, provide details for each such charge.
 - In the past 10 years, have you been convicted, after trial or by plea, of any felony, or of any other crime, an element of which relates to truthfulness or the underlying facts of which related to the conduct of business? NO ☒ YES ____ If Yes, provide details for each such conviction.
 - In the past 5 years, have you been convicted, after trial or by plea, of a misdemeanor? NO ☒ YES ____ If Yes, provide details for each such conviction.
 - In the past 5 years, have you been found in violation of any administrative or statutory charges? NO ☒ YES ____ If Yes, provide details for each such occurrence.

9. In addition to the information provided in response to the previous questions, in the past 5 years, have you been the subject of a criminal investigation and/or a civil anti-trust investigation by any federal, state or local prosecuting or investigative agency and/or the subject of an investigation where such investigation was related to activities performed at, for, or on behalf of the submitting business entity and/or an affiliated business listed in response to Question 5? NO ☒ YES ____ If Yes, provide details for each such investigation.
10. In addition to the information provided, in the past 5 years has any business or organization listed in response to Question 5, been the subject of a criminal investigation and/or a civil anti-trust investigation and/or any other type of investigation by any government agency, including but not limited to federal, state, and local regulatory agencies while you were a principal owner or officer? NO ☒ YES ____ If Yes; provide details for each such investigation.
11. In the past 5 years, have you or this business, or any other affiliated business listed in response to Question 5 had any sanction imposed as a result of judicial or administrative proceedings with respect to any professional license held? NO ☒ YES ____ If Yes; provide details for each such instance.
12. For the past 5 tax years, have you failed to file any required tax returns or failed to pay any applicable federal, state or local taxes or other assessed charges, including but not limited to water and sewer charges? NO ☒ YES ____ If Yes, provide details for each such year.

CERTIFICATION

A MATERIALLY FALSE STATEMENT WILLFULLY OR FRAUDULENTLY MADE IN CONNECTION WITH THIS QUESTIONNAIRE MAY RESULT IN RENDERING THE SUBMITTING BUSINESS ENTITY NOT RESPONSIBLE WITH RESPECT TO THE PRESENT BID/PROPOSAL OR FUTURE BIDS/PROPOSALS, AND, IN ADDITION, MAY SUBJECT THE PERSON MAKING THE FALSE STATEMENT TO CRIMINAL CHARGES.

I, Cecilia Ameranti-Byrne, being duly sworn, state that I have read and understand all the items contained in the foregoing pages of this questionnaire and the following pages of attachments; that I supplied full and complete answers to each item therein to the best of my knowledge, information and belief; that I will notify the County in writing of any change in circumstances occurring after the submission of this questionnaire and before the execution of the contract; and that all information supplied by me is true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief. I understand that the County will rely on the information supplied in this questionnaire as additional inducement to enter into a contract with the submitting business entity.

Sworn to before me this 18 day of March 2016

Jason Linnick
Notary Public

JASON LINNICK
Notary Public, State of New York
Qualified in Suffolk County
No. 01LI6295394
My Commission Expires 01-06-2018

Law Office of Cecilia Ameranti-Byrne
Name of submitting business

Cecilia Ameranti-Byrne
Print name

Cecilia Ameranti-Byrne
Signature

Title

3 / 18 / 2016
Date

Business History Form

In addition to the submission of bids/proposals, as applicable, each bidder/proposer shall complete and submit this questionnaire. The questionnaire shall be filled out by the owner of a sole proprietorship or by an authorized representative of the firm, corporation or partnership submitting the bid/proposal.

NOTE: All questions require a response, even if response is "none" or "not-applicable." No blanks.

(USE ADDITIONAL SHEETS IF NECESSARY TO FULLY ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS).

Date: 3/18/2016

1) Bidder's/Proposer's Legal Name: Cecilia Ameranti-Burne

2) Address of Place of Business: [REDACTED]

List all other business addresses used within last five years:

none

3) Mailing Address (if different): not applicable

Phone: [REDACTED]

Does the business own or rent its facilities? own

4) Dun and Bradstreet number: not applicable

5) Federal I.D. Number: [REDACTED]

6) The bidder/proposer is a (check one): ☒ Sole Proprietorship ☐ Partnership ☐ Corporation ☐ Other (Describe) _____

7) Does this business share office space, staff, or equipment expenses with any other business? Yes ☐ No ☒ If Yes, please provide details: _____

8) Does this business control one or more other businesses? Yes ☐ No ☒ If Yes, please provide details: _____

9) Does this business have one or more affiliates, and/or is it a subsidiary of, or controlled by, any other business? Yes ☐ No ☒ If Yes, provide details: _____

10) Has the bidder/proposer ever had a bond or surety cancelled or forfeited, or a contract with Nassau County or any other government entity terminated? Yes ☐ No ☒ If Yes, state the name of bonding agency, (if a bond), date, amount of bond and reason for such cancellation or forfeiture: or details regarding the termination (if a contract). _____

- 11) Has the bidder/proposer, during the past seven years, been declared bankrupt? Yes ☐ No ☒
If Yes, state date, court jurisdiction, amount of liabilities and amount of assets _____
- 12) In the past five years, has this business and/or any of its owners and/or officers and/or any affiliated business, been the subject of a criminal investigation and/or a civil anti-trust investigation by any federal, state or local prosecuting or investigative agency? And/or, in the past 5 years, have any owner and/or officer of any affiliated business been the subject of a criminal investigation and/or a civil anti-trust investigation by any federal, state or local prosecuting or investigative agency, where such investigation was related to activities performed at, for, or on behalf of an affiliated business. Yes ☐ No ☒ If Yes, provide details for each such investigation. _____
- 13) In the past 5 years, has this business and/or any of its owners and/or officers and/or any affiliated business been the subject of an investigation by any government agency, including but not limited to federal, state and local regulatory agencies? And/or, in the past 5 years, has any owner and/or officer of an affiliated business been the subject of an investigation by any government agency, including but not limited to federal, state and local regulatory agencies, for matters pertaining to that individual's position at or relationship to an affiliated business. Yes ☐ No ☒ If Yes, provide details for each such investigation. _____
- 14) Has any current or former director, owner or officer or managerial employee of this business had, either before or during such person's employment, or since such employment if the charges pertained to events that allegedly occurred during the time of employment by the submitting business, and allegedly related to the conduct of that business:
- a) Any felony charge pending? No ☒ Yes ☐ If Yes, provide details for each such charge. _____
- b) Any misdemeanor charge pending? No ☒ Yes ☐ If Yes, provide details for each such charge. _____
- c) In the past 10 years, you been convicted, after trial or by plea, of any felony and/or any other crime, an element of which relates to truthfulness or the underlying facts of which related to the conduct of business? No ☒ Yes ☐ If Yes, provide details for each such conviction _____
- d) In the past 5 years, been convicted, after trial or by plea, of a misdemeanor? No ☒ Yes ☐ If Yes, provide details for each such conviction. _____
- e) In the past 5 years, been found in violation of any administrative, statutory, or regulatory provisions? No ☒ Yes ☐ If Yes, provide details for each such

occurrence. _____

- 15) In the past (5) years, has this business or any of its owners or officers, or any other affiliated business had any sanction imposed as a result of judicial or administrative proceedings with respect to any professional license held? No ☒ Yes ____; If Yes, provide details for each such instance. _____

- 16) For the past (5) tax years, has this business failed to file any required tax returns or failed to pay any applicable federal, state or local taxes or other assessed charges, including but not limited to water and sewer charges? No ☒ Yes ____ If Yes, provide details for each such year. Provide a detailed response to all questions checked 'YES'. If you need more space, photocopy the appropriate page and attach it to the questionnaire. _____

Provide a detailed response to all questions checked "YES". If you need more space, photocopy the appropriate page and attach it to the questionnaire.

17) Conflict of Interest:

- a) Please disclose any conflicts of interest as outlined below. **NOTE: If no conflicts exist, please expressly state "No conflict exists."**

(i) Any material financial relationships that your firm or any firm employee has that may create a conflict of interest or the appearance of a conflict of interest in acting on behalf of Nassau County. no conflict exists

(ii) Any family relationship that any employee of your firm has with any County public servant that may create a conflict of interest or the appearance of a conflict of interest in acting on behalf of Nassau County. no conflict exists

(iii) Any other matter that your firm believes may create a conflict of interest or the appearance of a conflict of interest in acting on behalf of Nassau County. no conflict exists

- b) Please describe procedures your firm has, or would adopt, to assure the County that a conflict of interest would not exist for your firm in the future. If a conflict did arise I would immediately contact the County Attorneys to discuss how to address it.

Law Office of Cecilia Ameranti-Byrne

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
Phone: [REDACTED]

Email: [REDACTED]

List of Professional Qualifications

- 28 years of experience researching, interpreting, counseling on and implementing complex laws, government rules and regulations for the federal government.
- 28 years reviewing commercial property appraisals submitted by licensed appraisers for the federal government.
- 28 years representing individuals on the purchase and sale of residential property.
- 5 years experience as Special Counsel to the Nassau County Attorney's Office working on assessment-related matters, including the Disputed Assessment Fund law.

- A. Include a resume or detailed description of the bidder's/proposer's professional qualifications, demonstrating extensive experience in your profession. Any prior similar experiences, and the results of these experiences, must be identified.

Should the bidder/proposer be other than an individual, the bid/proposal **MUST** include:

- i) Date of formation;
- ii) Name, addresses, and position of all persons having a financial interest in the company, including shareholders, members, general or limited partner;
- iii) Name, address and position of all officers and directors of the company;
- iv) State of incorporation (if applicable);
- v) The number of employees in the firm;
- vi) Annual revenue of firm;
- vii) Summary of relevant accomplishments
- viii) Copies of all state and local licenses and permits.

- B. Indicate number of years in business.

- C. Provide any other information which would be appropriate and helpful in determining the bidder's/proposer's capacity and reliability to perform these services.

- D. Provide names and addresses for no fewer than three references for whom the bidder/proposer has provided similar services or who are qualified to evaluate the bidder's/proposer's capability to perform this work.

Company _____

Contact Person Susan Mercurio

Address _____

City/State _____

Telephone _____

Fax # _____

E-Mail Address _____

Company _____

Contact Person Barbara Stark

Address _____

City/State _____

Telephone _____

Fax # _____

E-Mail Address _____

Company _____

Contact Person Linda Collins

Address _____

City/State _____

Telephone _____

Fax # _____

E-Mail Address _____

E. Please provide any other information which would be appropriate and helpful in determining the bidder's/proposer's capacity and reliability to perform these services.

A MATERIALLY FALSE STATEMENT WILLFULLY OR FRAUDULENTLY MADE IN CONNECTION WITH THIS QUESTIONNAIRE MAY RESULT IN RENDERING THE SUBMITTING BUSINESS ENTITY NOT RESPONSIBLE WITH RESPECT TO THE PRESENT BID/PROPOSAL OR FUTURE BIDS/PROPOSALS, AND, IN ADDITION, MAY SUBJECT THE PERSON MAKING THE FALSE STATEMENT TO CRIMINAL CHARGES.

I, Cecilia Ameranti Byrne, being duly sworn, state that I have read and understand all the items contained in the foregoing pages of this questionnaire and the following pages of attachments; that I supplied full and complete answers to each item therein to the best of my knowledge, information and belief; that I will notify the County in writing of any change in circumstances occurring after the submission of this questionnaire and before the execution of the contract; and that all information supplied by me is true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief. I understand that the County will rely on the information supplied in this questionnaire as additional inducement to enter into a contract with the submitting business entity.

Sworn to before me this 18 day of March 2016

Jason Linnick
Notary Public

JASON LINNICK
Notary Public, State of New York
Qualified in Suffolk County
No. 0116296394
My Commission Expires 01-06-2018

Name of submitting business: Law Office of Cecilia Ameranti Byrne

By: Cecilia Ameranti Byrne Print
name
Cecilia Ameranti Byrne
Signature

Title

3 / 18 / 2016 Date

COUNTY OF NASSAU

CONSULTANT'S, CONTRACTOR'S AND VENDOR'S DISCLOSURE FORM

1. Name of the Entity: Cecilia Ameranti-Byrne, Esq.
Address: [REDACTED]
City, State and Zip Code: _____
2. Entity's Vendor Identification Number: [REDACTED]
3. Type of Business: ☐ Public Corp ☐ Partnership ☐ Joint Venture
☐ Ltd. Liability Co ☐ Closely Held Corp sole proprietor Other (specify)
4. List names and addresses of all principals; that is, all individuals serving on the Board of Directors or comparable body, all partners and limited partners, all corporate officers, all parties of Joint Ventures, and all members and officers of limited liability companies (attach additional sheets if necessary):

just myself

5. List names and addresses of all shareholders, members, or partners of the firm. If the shareholder is not an individual, list the individual shareholders/partners/members. If a Publicly held Corporation, include a copy of the 10K in lieu of completing this section.

just myself

6. List all affiliated and related companies and their relationship to the firm entered on line 1. above (if none, enter "None"). Attach a separate disclosure form for each affiliated or subsidiary company that may take part in the performance of this contract. Such disclosure shall be updated to include affiliated or subsidiary companies not previously disclosed that participate in the performance of the contract.

None

7. List all lobbyists whose services were utilized at any stage in this matter (i.e., pre-bid, bid, post-bid, etc.). The term "lobbyist" means any and every person or organization retained, employed or designated by any client to influence - or promote a matter before - Nassau County, its agencies, boards, commissions, department heads, legislators or committees, including but not limited to the Open Space and Parks Advisory Committee and Planning Commission. Such matters include, but are not limited to, requests for proposals, development or improvement of real property subject to County regulation, procurements. The term "lobbyist" does not include any officer, director, trustee, employee, counsel or agent of the County of Nassau, or State of New York, when discharging his or her official duties.

(a) Name, title, business address and telephone number of lobbyist(s):

None

(b) Describe lobbying activity of each lobbyist. See below for a complete description of lobbying activities.

none

(c) List whether and where the person/organization is registered as a lobbyist (e.g., Nassau County, New York State):

no one

8. VERIFICATION: This section must be signed by a principal of the consultant, contractor or Vendor authorized as a signatory of the firm for the purpose of executing Contracts.

The undersigned affirms and so swears that he/she has read and understood the foregoing statements and they are, to his/her knowledge, true and accurate.

Dated: 1/15/16

Signed: Cecilia Ameranti-Byrne, Esq.

Print Name: Cecilia Ameranti-Byrne, Esq.

Title: _____

The term lobbying shall mean any attempt to influence: any determination made by the Nassau County Legislature, or any member thereof, with respect to the introduction, passage, defeat, or substance of any local legislation or resolution; any determination by the County Executive to support, oppose, approve or disapprove any local legislation or resolution, whether or not such legislation has been introduced in the County Legislature; any determination by an elected County official or an officer or employee of the County with respect to the procurement of goods, services or construction, including the preparation of contract specifications, including but not limited to the preparation of requests for proposals, or solicitation, award or administration of a contract or with respect to the solicitation, award or administration of a grant, loan, or agreement involving the disbursement of public monies; any determination made by the County Executive, County Legislature, or by the County of Nassau, its agencies, boards, commissions, department heads or committees, including but not limited to the Open Space and Parks Advisory Committee, the Planning Commission, with respect to the zoning, use, development or improvement of real property subject to County regulation, or any agencies, boards, commissions, department heads or committees with respect to requests for proposals, bidding, procurement or contracting for services for the County; any determination made by an elected county official or an officer or employee of the county with respect to the terms of the acquisition or disposition by the county of any interest in real property, with respect to a license or permit for the use of real property of or by the county, or with respect to a franchise, concession or revocable consent; the proposal, adoption, amendment or rejection by an agency of any rule having the force and effect of law; the decision to hold, timing or outcome of any rate making proceeding before an agency; the agenda or any determination of a board or commission; any determination regarding the calendaring or scope of any legislature oversight hearing; the issuance, repeal, modification or substance of a County Executive Order; or any determination made by an elected county official or an officer or employee of the county to support or oppose any state or federal legislation, rule or regulation, including any determination made to support or oppose that is contingent on any amendment of such legislation, rule or regulation, whether or not such legislation has been formally introduced and whether or not such rule or regulation has been formally proposed.

SPECIAL COUNSEL AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT, (together with the schedules, appendices, attachments and exhibits, if any, this "Agreement") dated as of the date (the "Effective Date") that this Agreement is executed by Nassau County, is entered into by and between (i) Nassau County, a municipal corporation having its principal office at 1550 Franklin Avenue, Mineola, New York 11501 (the "County"), acting for and on behalf of the Nassau County Attorney, having its principal office at One West Street, Mineola, New York 11501 (the "Department"), and (ii) ~~County of Nassau, New York, by and through its County Attorney, having its principal office at One West Street, Mineola, New York 11501~~ Counsel or Contractor).

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, pursuant to Nassau County Charter Section 1101, the County Attorney has determined the need for the employment of special counsel; and

WHEREAS, Counsel is eminently qualified and ready to provide the necessary services; and

WHEREAS, the County desires to hire Counsel to perform the services described in this Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the promises and mutual covenants contained in this Agreement, the parties agree as follows:

1. Term. This Agreement shall commence on January 1, 2016 and shall terminate on December 31, 2016, unless sooner terminated in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement.

2. Services. The services to be provided by Counsel under this Agreement shall consist of drafting, researching, counseling, and assisting in the implementation of legislation on any New York State or County initiatives as requested by the Department, including, but not limited to, the disputed assessment fund ("Services"). Further, Counsel shall also provide counsel, as directed by the Department, to the County's Assessment Review Commission Department.

3. Payment. (a)(1) Amount of Consideration. The amount to be paid to Counsel as full consideration for Counsel's Services under this Agreement, including disbursements, shall not exceed the sum of Twenty-four Thousand Nine Hundred Dollars (\$24,900.00) ("Maximum Amount"). Hourly compensation for professional Services rendered by Counsel shall be Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00) for in court and legislative appearances and One Hundred Seventy-five Dollars (\$175.00) for Services provided in all other locations.

(2) Any appearance before the County Legislature, or any committee thereof for the purpose of the approval of this Agreement or any amendment thereto, are to be construed as part of the fee negotiation and approval process and Counsel agrees that no fee will be charged for any such appearances.

(b) Vouchers; Voucher Review, Approval and Audit. Payments shall be made to Counsel in arrears and shall be contingent upon (i) Counsel submitting a claim voucher (the "Voucher") in a form satisfactory to the County, that (a) is accompanied by a contemporaneous record of hours billed stating the person(s) performing the Services and indicating with reasonable specificity, the Services provided and the payment requested in consideration for such Services or contains a

detailed, itemized list of allowable expenses; (b) certifies that the Services rendered and the payment requested are in accordance with this Agreement, and (c) is accompanied by documentation satisfactory to the County supporting the amount claimed, and upon (ii) review, approval and audit of the Voucher by the Department and/or the County Comptroller or his or her duly designated representative (the "Comptroller").

(c) Timing of Payment Claims. Counsel shall submit claims no later than three (3) months following the County's receipt of the services that are the subject of the claim and no more frequently than once a month.

(d) Expenses and Disbursement. Counsel shall be compensated within the Maximum Amount for all reasonable expenses and disbursements actually incurred, including but not limited to out-of-pocket disbursements for travel, expert costs, messengers, investigators, trial preparation services, and other legitimate expenses.

(e) No Duplication of Payments. Payments under this Agreement shall not duplicate payments for any work performed or to be performed under other agreements between the Contractor and any funding source including the County.

(f) Payments in Connection with Termination or Notice of Termination. Unless a provision of this Agreement expressly states otherwise, payments to Counsel following the termination of this Agreement shall not exceed payments made as consideration for services that were (i) performed prior to termination, (ii) authorized by this Agreement to be performed, and (iii) not performed after Counsel received notice that the County did not desire to receive such services.

4. Independent Contractor. Counsel is an independent contractor of the County. Counsel shall not, nor shall any officer, director, employee, servant, agent or independent contractor of Counsel (a "Counsel Agent"), be (i) deemed a County employee, (ii) commit the County to any obligation, or (iii) hold itself, himself, or herself out as a County employee or Person with the authority to commit the County to any obligation. As used in this Agreement the word "Person" means any individual person, entity (including partnerships, corporations and limited liability companies), and government or political subdivision thereof (including agencies, bureaus, offices and departments thereof).

5. No Arrears or Default. Counsel is not in arrears to the County upon any debt or contract and it is not in default as surety, contractor, or otherwise upon any obligation to the County, including any obligation to pay taxes to, or perform services for or on behalf of, the County.

6. Compliance with Law. (a) Generally. Counsel shall comply with any and all applicable Federal, State and local Laws, including, but not limited to those relating to conflicts of interest, human rights, a living wage, disclosure of information and vendor registration in connection with its performance under this Agreement. In furtherance of the foregoing, Counsel is bound by and shall comply with the terms and conditions of Appendix EE, attached hereto and the County's registration protocol. As used in this Agreement the word "Law" includes any and all statutes, local laws, ordinances, rules, regulations, applicable orders, and/or decrees, as the same may be amended from time to time, enacted, or adopted.

(b) Nassau County Living Wage Law. Pursuant to LL 1-2006, as amended, and to the extent that a waiver has not been obtained in accordance with such law or any rules of the County Executive, Counsel agrees as follows:

- (i) Counsel shall comply with the applicable requirements of the Living Wage Law, as amended;
- (ii) Failure to comply with the Living Wage Law, as amended, may constitute a material breach of this Agreement, the occurrence of which shall be determined solely by the County. Counsel has the right to cure such breach within thirty days of receipt of notice of breach from the County. In the event that such breach is not timely cured, the County may terminate this Agreement as well as exercise any other rights available to the County under applicable law.
- (iii) It shall be a continuing obligation of the Counsel to inform the County of any material changes in the content of its certification of compliance, attached to this Agreement as Appendix L, and shall provide to the County any information necessary to maintain the certification's accuracy.

(c) Records Access. The parties acknowledge and agree that all records, information, and data ("Information") acquired in connection with performance or administration of this Agreement shall be used and disclosed solely for the purpose of performance and administration of the contract or as required by law. Counsel acknowledges that Counsel Information in the County's possession may be subject to disclosure under Article 6 of the New York State Public Officer's Law ("Freedom of Information Law" or "FOIL"). In the event that such a request for disclosure is made, the County shall make reasonable efforts to notify Counsel of such request prior to disclosure of the Information so that the Counsel may take such action, as it deems appropriate.

7. Ownership of Records. All County Information provided to Counsel by the County shall remain the property of the County. Upon the County's request, completion of Services, or termination of this Agreement, all such County Information shall be returned to the County.

8. Service Standards. Regardless of whether required by Law: (a) Counsel shall, and shall cause Counsel Agents to, conduct his or her activities in connection with this Agreement so as not to endanger or harm any Person or property.

(b) Counsel shall deliver Services under this Agreement in a professional manner consistent with the best practices of the legal profession and in accordance with the Lawyers Code of Professional Responsibility. Counsel shall take all actions necessary or appropriate to meet the obligation described in the immediately preceding sentence, including obtaining and maintaining, and causing all Counsel Agents to obtain and maintain, all approvals, licenses, and certifications ("Approvals") necessary or appropriate in connection with this Agreement.

9. No Conflict Representation. During the term of this Agreement, Counsel shall not represent any party whose interest is or may be adverse to or in conflict with, or whose interest may appear to be adverse to or in conflict with the County, nor shall it commence any action or proceeding, or act as Counsel in any action or proceeding that is adverse to the County or any County officer or employee, without the County's prior written consent.

10. Indemnification; Defense; Cooperation. (a) Counsel shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless the County, the Department and its officers, employees, and agents (the "Indemnified Parties") from and against any and all liabilities arising out of or in connection with the negligent performance or willful misconduct under this Agreement by Counsel or a Counsel Agent, provided, however, that Counsel shall not be responsible for that portion, if any, of a Loss that is directly caused by the negligence of any of the Indemnified Parties.

(b) Counsel shall, upon the County's demand and at the County's direction, promptly and diligently defend, at Counsel's own risk and expense, any and all suits, actions, or proceedings which may be brought or instituted against one or more Indemnified Parties for which Counsel is responsible under Section (a) of paragraph 10 of this Agreement, and, further to Counsel's indemnification obligations, Counsel shall pay and satisfy any judgment, decree, loss or settlement in connection therewith.

(c) Counsel shall, and shall cause Counsel Agents to, cooperate with the County and the Department in connection with the investigation, defense or prosecution of any action, suit or proceeding in connection with this Agreement, including the acts or omissions of Counsel and/or a Counsel Agent in connection with this Agreement.

(d) Except for claims for death, bodily injury, or damage to tangible property, or claims arising out of or in connection with Counsel's willful misconduct or gross negligence, the liability and costs of Counsel under this Section 10 shall be limited to the Maximum Amount or the amount of Counsel's available insurance proceeds, whichever is greater.

(e) The provisions of this Section shall survive the termination of this Agreement.

11. Insurance. (a) Types and Amounts. Counsel shall obtain and maintain throughout the term of this Agreement, at its own expense: (i) one or more policies for professional liability insurance, which policy(ies) shall have a minimum single combined limit liability of not less than One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00) per claim and One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00) in the aggregate; (ii) compensation insurance for the benefit of the Counsel's employees ("Workers' Compensation Insurance"), which insurance is in compliance with the New York State Workers' Compensation Law, provided that in the event Counsel is not required to carry Workers' Compensation Insurance under the New York State Workers' Compensation Law, Counsel may instead provide the County proof of exemption; and (iii) such additional insurance as the County may from time to time specify.

(b) Acceptability; Deductibles; Subcontractors. All insurance obtained and maintained by Counsel pursuant to this Agreement shall be (i) written by one or more commercial insurance carriers licensed to do business in New York State and acceptable to the County, and which is (ii) in form and substance acceptable to the County. Counsel shall be solely responsible for the payment of all deductibles to which such policies are subject. Counsel shall require any subcontractor hired in connection with this Agreement to carry insurance with the same limits and provisions required to be carried by Counsel under this Agreement.

(c) Delivery; Coverage Change; No Inconsistent Action. Prior to the execution of this Agreement, copies of current certificates of insurance evidencing the insurance coverage required by this Agreement shall be delivered to the Department. Not less than thirty (30) days prior to the date of any expiration or renewal of, or actual, proposed or threatened reduction or cancellation of coverage under, any insurance required hereunder, Counsel shall provide written notice to the Department of the same and deliver to the Department renewal or replacement certificates of insurance. Counsel shall cause all insurance to remain in full force and effect throughout the term

of this Agreement and shall not take or omit to take any action that would suspend or invalidate any of the required coverages. The failure of Counsel to maintain required coverages shall be deemed a material breach of this Agreement upon which the County reserves the right to consider this Agreement terminated as of the date of such failure.

12. Assignment; Amendment; Waiver; Subcontracting. This Agreement and the rights and obligations hereunder may not be in whole or part (i) assigned, transferred or disposed of, (ii) amended, (iii) waived, or (iv) subcontracted, without the prior written consent of the County Executive or his or her duly designated deputy (the "County Executive"), and any purported assignment, other disposal or modification without such prior written consent shall be null and void. The failure of a party to assert any of its rights under this Agreement, including the right to demand strict performance, shall not constitute a waiver of such rights.

13. Termination. (a) Generally. This Agreement may be terminated (i) for any reason by the County upon thirty (30) days' written notice to Counsel, (ii) for "Cause" by the County immediately upon the receipt by Counsel of written notice of termination, (iii) upon mutual written Agreement of the County and the Counsel, (iv) by Counsel, at such time as the "Maximum Amount" as provided in Section 3 hereof has been exceeded and the parties hereto have not agreed to increase the Maximum Amount; and (v) in accordance with any other provisions of this Agreement expressly addressing termination.

As used in this Agreement the word "Cause" includes: (i) a breach of this Agreement; (ii) the failure to obtain and maintain in full force and effect all Approvals required for the services described in this Agreement to be legally and professionally rendered; and (iii) the termination or impending termination of federal or state funding for the services to be provided under this Agreement.

(b) By Counsel. This Agreement may be terminated by Counsel if performance becomes impracticable through no fault of Counsel, where the impracticability relates to Counsel's ability to perform its obligations and not to a judgment as to convenience or the desirability of continued performance. Termination under this subsection shall be effected by Counsel delivering to the County Attorney, at least sixty (60) days prior to the termination date (or a shorter period if sixty days' notice is impossible), a notice stating (i) that Counsel is terminating this Agreement in accordance with this subsection, (ii) the date as of which this Agreement will terminate, and (iii) the facts giving rise to Counsel's right to terminate under this subsection. A copy of the notice given to the County Attorney shall be given to the Deputy County Executive who oversees the administration of the Department (the "Applicable DCE") on the same day that notice is given to the County Attorney.

(c) Counsel Assistance upon Termination. In connection with the termination or impending termination of this Agreement the Counsel shall, regardless of the reason for termination, take all actions reasonably requested by the County (including those set forth in other provisions of this Agreement) to assist the County in transitioning Counsel's responsibilities under this Agreement. The provisions of this subsection shall survive the termination of this Agreement.

14. Accounting Procedures; Records. Counsel shall maintain and retain, for a period of six (6) years following the later of termination of or final payment under this Agreement, complete and accurate records, documents, accounts and other evidence, whether maintained electronically or manually ("Records"), pertinent to performance under this Agreement. Records shall be maintained in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles and, if Counsel is a non-profit entity, must comply with the accounting guidelines set forth in the federal Office of

Management & Budget Circular A-122, "Cost Principles for Non-Profit Organizations." Such Records shall at all times be available for audit and inspection by the Comptroller, the Department, any other governmental authority with jurisdiction over the provision of services hereunder and/or the payment therefore, and any of their duly designated representatives. The provisions of this Section shall survive the termination of this Agreement.

15. Limitations on Actions and Special Proceedings against the County. No action or special proceeding shall lie or be prosecuted or maintained against the County upon any claims arising out of or in connection with this Agreement unless:

(a) Notice. At least thirty (30) days prior to seeking relief, Counsel shall have presented the demand or claim(s) upon which such action or special proceeding is based in writing to the Applicable DCE for adjustment and the County shall have neglected or refused to make an adjustment or payment on the demand or claim for thirty (30) days after presentment. Counsel shall send or deliver copies of the documents presented to the Applicable DCE under this Section to each of (i) the Department and the (ii) the County Attorney (at the address specified above for the County) on the same day that documents are sent or delivered to the Applicable DCE. The complaint or necessary moving papers of Counsel shall allege that the above-described actions and inactions preceded Counsel's action or special proceeding against the County.

(b) Time Limitation. Such action or special proceeding is commenced within the earlier of (i) one (1) year of the first to occur of (A) final payment under or the termination of this Agreement, and (B) the accrual of the cause of action, and (ii) the time specified in any other provision of this Agreement.

16. Work Performance Liability. The Counsel is and shall remain primarily liable for the legal work performed in accordance this Agreement irrespective of whether the Counsel is using a Counsel Agent to perform some or all of the work contemplated by this Agreement, and irrespective of whether the use of such Counsel Agent has been approved by the County.

17. Consent to Jurisdiction and Venue; Governing Law. Unless otherwise specified in this Agreement or required by Law, exclusive original jurisdiction for all claims or actions with respect to this Agreement shall be in the Supreme Court in Nassau County in New York State and the parties expressly waive any objections to the same on any grounds, including venue and forum non conveniens. This Agreement is intended as a contract under, and shall be governed and construed in accordance with, the Laws of New York State, without regard to the conflict of laws provisions thereof.

18. Notices. Any notice, request, demand or other communication required to be given or made in connection with this Agreement shall be (a) in writing, (b) delivered or sent (i) by hand delivery, evidenced by a signed, dated receipt, (ii) postage prepaid via certified mail, return receipt requested, or (iii) overnight delivery via a nationally recognized courier service, (c) deemed given or made on the date the delivery receipt was signed by a County employee, three (3) business days after it is mailed or one (1) business day after it is released to a courier service, as applicable, and (d)(i) if to the Department, to the attention of the Nassau County Attorney at the address specified above for the Department, (ii) if to an Applicable DCE, to the attention of the Applicable DCE (whose name Counsel shall obtain from the Department) at the address specified above for the County, (iii) if to the Comptroller, to the attention of the Comptroller at 240 Old Country Road, Mineola, NY 11501, and (iv) if to Counsel, to the attention of the person who executed this Agreement on behalf of Counsel at the address specified above for Counsel, or in each case to such other persons or addresses as shall be designated by written notice.

19. All Legal Provisions Deemed Included; Severability; Supremacy. (a) Every provision required by Law to be inserted into or referenced by this Agreement is intended to be a part of this Agreement. If any such provision is not inserted or referenced or is not inserted or referenced in correct form then (i) such provision shall be deemed inserted into or referenced by this Agreement for purposes of interpretation and (ii) upon the application of either party this Agreement shall be formally amended to comply strictly with the Law, without prejudice to the rights of either party.

(b) In the event that any provision of this Agreement shall be held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable, the validity, legality and enforceability of the remaining provisions shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby.

(c) Unless the application of this subsection will cause a provision required by Law to be excluded from this Agreement, in the event of an actual conflict between the terms and conditions set forth above the signature page to this Agreement and those contained in any schedule, exhibit, appendix, or attachment to this Agreement, the terms and conditions set forth above the signature page shall control. To the extent possible, all the terms of this Agreement should be read together as not conflicting.

(d) Each party has cooperated in the negotiation and preparation of this Agreement. Therefore, in the event that construction of this Agreement occurs, it shall not be construed against either party as drafter.

20. Section and Other Headings. The section and other headings contained in this Agreement are for reference purposes only and shall not affect the meaning or interpretation of this Agreement.

21. Administrative Service Charge. Counsel agrees to pay the County an administrative service charge of One Hundred Sixty Dollars (\$160.00) for the processing of this Agreement pursuant to Ordinance Number 74-1979, as amended by Ordinance Number 128-2006. The administrative service charge shall be due and payable to the County by Counsel upon signing this Agreement.

22. Executory Clause. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement:

(a) Approval and Execution. The County shall have no liability under this Agreement (including any extension or other modification of this Agreement) to any Person unless (i) all County and other governmental approvals have been obtained, including, if required, approval by the County Legislature, and (ii) this Agreement has been executed by the County Executive (as defined in this Agreement).

(b) Availability of Funds. The County shall have no liability under this Agreement (including any extension or other modification of this Agreement) to any Person beyond funds appropriated or otherwise lawfully available for this Agreement, and, if any portion of the funds for this Agreement are from the state and/or federal governments, then beyond funds available to the County from the state and/or federal governments.

23. Entire Agreement. This Agreement represents the full and entire understanding and agreement between the parties with regard to the subject matter hereof and supersedes all prior agreements (whether written or oral) of the parties relating to the subject matter of this Agreement.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Counsel and the County have executed this Agreement as of the Effective Date.

CECILIA AMERANTI-BYRNE, ESQ.

By: Cecilia Ameranti-Byrne
Name: Cecilia Ameranti-Byrne
Title: _____
Date: January 16, 2016

NASSAU COUNTY

By: C. Foskey
Name: Carnell Foskey
Title: County Attorney
Date: 2/23/16

NASSAU COUNTY

By: _____
Name: _____
Title: County Executive
☐ Deputy County Executive
Date: _____

PLEASE EXECUTE IN BLUE INK

STATE OF NEW YORK)
COUNTY OF NASSAU)
Suffolk

On the 16th day of January 1/16/16 in the year 2016 before me personally came Cecilia Amerant Byrne to me personally known, who, being by me duly sworn, did depose and say that he or she resides in the County of Suffolk; that he or she is the _____ of _____, the corporation described herein and which executed the above instrument; and that he or she signed his or her name thereto by authority of the board of directors of said corporation.

NOTARY PUBLIC

BLANCA M PRATE
 NOTARY PUBLIC, State of New York
 No. 01PR8005206
 Qualified in Suffolk County
 Commission Expires April 6, 20

STATE OF NEW YORK)
COUNTY OF NASSAU) ss.:

On the 23rd day of February in the year 2016 before me personally came Carnelle Foskey to me personally known, who, being by me duly sworn, did depose and say that he resides in the County of Nassau; that he is the **County Attorney** of Nassau County, the municipal corporation described herein and which executed the above instrument; and that he or she signed his or her name thereto pursuant to Law, including Nassau County Charter Section 1101.

NOTARY PUBLIC

JACLYN DELLE
Notary Public, State of New York
No. 02DE6305114
Qualified in Nassau County
Commission Expires on June 2, 20 18

STATE OF NEW YORK)
COUNTY OF NASSAU)ss.:
IN SENATE,

On the _____ day of _____ in the year 20__ before me personally came _____ to me personally known, who, being by me duly sworn, did depose and say that he or she resides in the County of _____; that he or she is a **Deputy County Executive** of the County of Nassau, the municipal corporation described herein and which executed the above instrument; and that he or she signed his or her name thereto pursuant to Section 205 of the County Government Law of Nassau County.

NOTARY PUBLIC

Appendix EE

Equal Employment Opportunities for Minorities and Women

The provisions of this Appendix EE are hereby made a part of the document to which it is attached.

The Contractor shall comply with all federal, State and local statutory and constitutional anti-discrimination provisions. In addition, Local Law No. 14-2002, entitled "Participation by Minority Group Members and Women in Nassau County Contracts," governs all County Contracts as defined herein and solicitations for bids or proposals for County Contracts. In accordance with Local Law 14-2002:

(a) The Contractor shall not discriminate against employees or applicants for employment because of race, creed, color, national origin, sex, age, disability or marital status in recruitment, employment, job assignments, promotions, upgradings, demotions, transfers, layoffs, terminations, and rates of pay or other forms of compensation. The Contractor will undertake or continue existing programs related to recruitment, employment, job assignments, promotions, upgradings, transfers, and rates of pay or other forms of compensation to ensure that minority group members and women are afforded equal employment opportunities without discrimination.

(b) At the request of the County contracting agency, the Contractor shall request each employment agency, labor union, or authorized representative of workers with which it has a collective bargaining or other agreement or understanding, to furnish a written statement that such employment agency, union, or representative will not discriminate on the basis of race, creed, color, national origin, sex, age, disability, or marital status and that such employment agency, labor union, or representative will affirmatively cooperate in the implementation of the Contractor's obligations herein.

(c) The Contractor shall state, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees, that, in the performance of the County Contract, all qualified applicants will be afforded equal employment opportunities without discrimination because of race, creed, color, national origin, sex, age, disability or marital status.

(d) The Contractor shall make best efforts to solicit active participation by certified minority or women-owned business enterprises ("Certified M/WBEs") as defined in Section 101 of Local Law No. 14-2002, for the purpose of granting of Subcontracts.

(e) The Contractor shall, in its advertisements and solicitations for Subcontractors, indicate its interest in receiving bids from Certified M/WBEs and the requirement that Subcontractors must be equal opportunity employers.

(f) Contractors must notify and receive approval from the respective Department Head prior to issuing any Subcontracts and, at the time of requesting such authorization, must submit a signed Best Efforts Checklist.

(g) Contractors for projects under the supervision of the County's Department of Public Works shall also submit a utilization plan listing all proposed Subcontractors so that, to the greatest extent feasible, all Subcontractors will be approved prior to commencement of work. Any additions or changes to the list of subcontractors under the utilization plan shall be approved by the Commissioner of the Department of Public Works when made. A copy of the utilization plan any additions or changes thereto shall be submitted by the Contractor to the Office of Minority Affairs simultaneously with the submission to the Department of Public Works.

(h) At any time after Subcontractor approval has been requested and prior to being granted, the contracting agency may require the Contractor to submit Documentation Demonstrating Best Efforts to Obtain Certified Minority or Women-owned Business Enterprises. In addition, the contracting agency may require the Contractor to submit such documentation at any time after Subcontractor approval when the contracting agency has reasonable cause to believe that the existing Best Efforts Checklist may be inaccurate. Within ten working days (10) of any such request by the contracting agency, the Contractor must submit Documentation.

(i) In the case where a request is made by the contracting agency or a Deputy County Executive acting on behalf of the contracting agency, the Contractor must, within two (2) working days of such request, submit evidence to demonstrate that it employed Best Efforts to obtain Certified M/WBE participation through proper documentation.

(j) Award of a County Contract alone shall not be deemed or interpreted as approval of all Contractor's Subcontracts and Contractor's fulfillment of Best Efforts to obtain participation by Certified M/WBEs.

(k) A Contractor shall maintain Documentation Demonstrating Best Efforts to Obtain Certified Minority or Women-owned Business Enterprises for a period of six (6) years. Failure to maintain such records shall be deemed failure to make Best Efforts to comply with this Appendix EE, evidence of false certification as M/WBE compliant or considered breach of the County Contract.

(l) The Contractor shall be bound by the provisions of Section 109 of Local Law No. 14-2002 providing for enforcement of violations as follows:

- a. Upon receipt by the Executive Director of a complaint from a contracting agency that a County Contractor has failed to comply with the provisions of Local Law No. 14-2002, this Appendix EE or any other contractual provisions included in furtherance of Local Law No. 14-2002, the Executive Director will try to resolve the matter.

- b. If efforts to resolve such matter to the satisfaction of all parties are unsuccessful, the Executive Director shall refer the matter, within thirty days (30) of receipt of the complaint, to the American Arbitration Association for proceeding thereon.
- c. Upon conclusion of the arbitration proceedings, the arbitrator shall submit to the Executive Director his recommendations regarding the imposition of sanctions, fines or penalties. The Executive Director shall either (i) adopt the recommendation of the arbitrator (ii) determine that no sanctions, fines or penalties should be imposed or (iii) modify the recommendation of the arbitrator, provided that such modification shall not expand upon any sanction recommended or impose any new sanction, or increase the amount of any recommended fine or penalty. The Executive Director, within ten days (10) of receipt of the arbitrators award and recommendations, shall file a determination of such matter and shall cause a copy of such determination to be served upon the respondent by personal service or by certified mail return receipt requested. The award of the arbitrator, and the fines and penalties imposed by the Executive Director, shall be final determinations and may only be vacated or modified as provided in the civil practice law and rules ("CPLR").

(m) The contractor shall provide contracting agency with information regarding all subcontracts awarded under any County Contract, including the amount of compensation paid to each Subcontractor and shall complete all forms provided by the Executive Director or the Department Head relating to subcontractor utilization and efforts to obtain M/WBE participation.

Failure to comply with provisions (a) through (m) above, as ultimately determined by the Executive Director, shall be a material breach of the contract constituting grounds for immediate termination. Once a final determination of failure to comply has been reached by the Executive Director, the determination of whether to terminate a contract shall rest with the Deputy County Executive with oversight responsibility for the contracting agency.

Provisions (a), (b) and (c) shall not be binding upon Contractors or Subcontractors in the performance of work or the provision of services or any other activity that are unrelated, separate, or distinct from the County Contract as expressed by its terms.

The requirements of the provisions (a), (b) and (c) shall not apply to any employment or application for employment outside of this County or solicitations or advertisements therefor or any existing programs of affirmative action regarding employment outside of this County and the effect of contract provisions required by these provisions (a), (b) and (c) shall be so limited.

The Contractor shall include provisions (a), (b) and (c) in every Subcontract in such a manner that these provisions shall be binding upon each Subcontractor as to work in connection with the County Contract.

As used in this Appendix EE the term "Best Efforts Checklist" shall mean a list signed by the Contractor, listing the procedures it has undertaken to procure Subcontractors in accordance with this Appendix EE.

As used in this Appendix EE the term "County Contract" shall mean (i) a written agreement or purchase order instrument, providing for a total expenditure in excess of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000), whereby a County contracting agency is committed to expend or does expend funds in return for labor, services, supplies, equipment, materials or any combination of the foregoing, to be performed for, or rendered or furnished to the County; or (ii) a written agreement in excess of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000), whereby a County contracting agency is committed to expend or does expend funds for the acquisition, construction, demolition, replacement, major repair or renovation of real property and improvements thereon. However, the term "County Contract" does not include agreements or orders for the following services: banking services, insurance policies or contracts, or contracts with a County contracting agency for the sale of bonds, notes or other securities.

As used in this Appendix EE the term "County Contractor" means an individual, business enterprise, including sole proprietorship, partnership, corporation, not-for-profit corporation, or any other person or entity other than the County, whether a contractor, licensor, licensee or any other party, that is (i) a party to a County Contract, (ii) a bidder in connection with the award of a County Contract, or (iii) a proposed party to a County Contract, but shall not include any Subcontractor.

As used in this Appendix EE the term "County Contractor" shall mean a person or firm who will manage and be responsible for an entire contracted project.

As used in this Appendix EE "Documentation Demonstrating Best Efforts to Obtain Certified Minority or Women-owned Business Enterprises" shall include, but is not limited to the following:

- a. Proof of having advertised for bids, where appropriate, in minority publications, trade newspapers/notices and magazines, trade and union publications, and publications of general circulation in Nassau County and surrounding areas or having verbally solicited M/WBEs whom the County Contractor reasonably believed might have the qualifications to do the work. A copy of the advertisement, if used, shall be included to demonstrate that it contained language indicating that the County Contractor welcomed bids and quotes from M/WBE Subcontractors. In addition, proof of the date(s) any such advertisements appeared must be included in the Best Effort Documentation. If verbal solicitation is used, a County Contractor's affidavit with a notary's signature and stamp shall be required as part of the documentation.
- b. Proof of having provided reasonable time for M/WBE Subcontractors to respond to bid opportunities according to industry norms and standards. A chart outlining the schedule/time frame used to obtain bids from M/WBEs is suggested to be included with the Best Effort Documentation

- c. Proof or affidavit of follow-up of telephone calls with potential M/WBE subcontractors encouraging their participation. Telephone logs indicating such action can be included with the Best Effort Documentation
- d. Proof or affidavit that M/WBE Subcontractors were allowed to review bid specifications, blue prints and all other bid/RFP related items at no charge to the M/WBEs, other than reasonable documentation costs incurred by the County Contractor that are passed onto the M/WBE.
- e. Proof or affidavit that sufficient time prior to making award was allowed for M/WBEs to participate effectively, to the extent practicable given the timeframe of the County Contract.
- f. Proof or affidavit that negotiations were held in good faith with interested M/WBEs, and that M/WBEs were not rejected as unqualified or unacceptable without sound business reasons based on (1) a thorough investigation of M/WBE qualifications and capabilities reviewed against industry custom and standards and (2) cost of performance. The basis for rejecting any M/WBE deemed unqualified by the County Contractor shall be included in the Best Effort Documentation
- g. If an M/WBE is rejected based on cost, the County Contractor must submit a list of all sub-bidders for each item of work solicited and their bid prices for the work.
- h. The conditions of performance expected of Subcontractors by the County Contractor must also be included with the Best Effort Documentation
- i. County Contractors may include any other type of documentation they feel necessary to further demonstrate their Best Efforts regarding their bid documents.

As used in this Appendix EE the term "Executive Director" shall mean the Executive Director of the Nassau County Office of Minority Affairs; provided, however, that Executive Director shall include a designee of the Executive Director except in the case of final determinations issued pursuant to Section (a) through (l) of these rules.

As used in this Appendix EE the term "Subcontract" shall mean an agreement consisting of part or parts of the contracted work of the County Contractor.

As used in this Appendix EE, the term "Subcontractor" shall mean a person or firm who performs part or parts of the contracted work of a prime contractor providing services, including construction services, to the County pursuant to a county contract. Subcontractor shall include a person or firm that provides labor, professional or other services, materials or supplies to a prime contractor that are necessary for the prime contractor to fulfill its obligations to provide services to

the County pursuant to a county contract. Subcontractor shall not include a supplier of materials to a contractor who has contracted to provide goods but no services to the County, nor a supplier of incidental materials to a contractor, such as office supplies, tools and other items of nominal cost that are utilized in the performance of a service contract.

Provisions requiring contractors to retain or submit documentation of best efforts to utilize certified subcontractors and requiring Department head approval prior to subcontracting shall not apply to inter-governmental agreements. In addition, the tracking of expenditures of County dollars by not-for-profit corporations, other municipalities, States, or the federal government is not required.

Appendix L

Certificate of Compliance

In compliance with Local Law 1-2006, as amended (the "Law"), Counsel hereby certifies the following:

1. The chief executive officer of Contractor is:

Cecilia Ameranti-Byrne

(Name)

[REDACTED]

(Address)

[REDACTED]

(Telephone Number)

2. The Contractor agrees to either (1) comply with the requirements of the Nassau County Living Wage Law or (2) as applicable, obtain a waiver of the requirements of the Law pursuant to section 9 of the Law. In the event that the Contractor does not comply with the requirements of the Law or obtain a waiver of the requirements of the Law, and such Contractor establishes to the satisfaction of the Department that at the time of execution of this Agreement, it had a reasonable certainty that it would receive such waiver based on the Law and Rules pertaining to waivers, the County will agree to terminate the contract without imposing costs or seeking damages against the Contractor
3. In the past five years, Contractor _____ has ☒ has not been found by a court or a government agency to have violated federal, state, or local laws regulating payment of wages or benefits, labor relations, or occupational safety and health. If a violation has been assessed against the Contractor, describe below:
- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____
4. In the past five years, an administrative proceeding, investigation, or government body-initiated judicial action _____ has ☒ has not been commenced against or relating to

the Contractor in connection with federal, state, or local laws regulating payment of wages or benefits, labor relations, or occupational safety and health. If such a proceeding, action, or investigation has been commenced, describe below:

5. Contractor agrees to permit access to work sites and relevant payroll records by authorized County representatives for the purpose of monitoring compliance with the Living Wage Law and investigating employee complaints of noncompliance.

I hereby certify that I have read the foregoing statement and, to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct and complete. Any statement or representation made herein shall be accurate and true as of the date stated below.

January 16, 2016
Dated

Cecilia Ameranti-Byrne
Signature of Chief Executive Officer

Cecilia Ameranti-Byrne
Name of Chief Executive Officer

Sworn to before me this

16 day of January, 2016
[Signature]

Notary Public

BLANCA M PRATE
NOTARY PUBLIC, State of New York
No. 01PR8005206
Qualified in Suffolk County
Commission Expires April 6, 2018

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DD	GENERAL EX	627,000	627,000	108,408	518,592
DE	CONTRACTUA	5,350,000	5,350,000	-1,613,956	6,963,956
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VENDOR ALPHA : AMERANTI-BYRNE, CECILIA

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	PAYMENTS	.00	.00	103,725.00
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	ACCT RECVABLE	.00	.00	.00
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	B/U WITH PAID			
	TX LIEN W/HELD	.00	.00	.00
	TAX LIENS PAID	.00	.00	.00
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VENDOR ALPHA : AMERANTI-BYRNE, CECILIA

S	VENDOR SUMMARY	ADADJ2015	ANNUAL BALANCE	ALL YEARS BALANCE
	ENCUMBRANCES	.00	-4,950.00	13,275.00
	RETAINAGES	.00	.00	.00
	ACCRUALS	.00	.00	.00
	PAYMENTS	.00	19,950.00	103,725.00
	CASH RECEIPTS	.00	.00	.00
	ACCT RECVABLE	.00	.00	.00
	1099 TOTALS	.00	19,950.00	19,950.00
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	B/U WITH PAID	.00	.00	.00
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