

**BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS
COUNTY OF HUDSON**

RESOLUTION

No. 482-11-2008

On Motion of Freeholder Dublin
Seconded by Freeholder Liggio

**AUTHORIZING AMENDMENT TO PROFESSIONAL SERVICE CONTRACT
FAIR AND OPEN LEGAL SERVICES
LeCLAIR RYAN
(\$20,000.00)**

WHEREAS, the County awarded a professional services contract to investigate and evaluate allegations of sexual and workplace harassment and hostile work environment and discrimination against the County or County employees for the period of January 1, 2008 through December 31, 2008 to the law firm Seiden Wayne, LLC, now called LeClair Ryan, on December 27, 2007 by Resolution No. 594-12-2007; and

WHEREAS, such services were acquired through a fair and open process pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4; and

WHEREAS, the maximum amount of the contract award was not to exceed **ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND1 (\$100,000.00) DOLLARS** with an attorney rate of **ONE HUNDRED FIFTY (\$150.00) DOLLARS** per hour; and

WHEREAS, due to increases in workload it has become necessary to add to the contract amount in order for the firm to provide the services required by the County; and

WHEREAS, it has been determined that the firm's expertise will also be needed to provide legal guidance to an outside correctional facility consultant who would review disciplines imposed at the Hudson County Department of Corrections to determine whether the disciplines and the penalties imposed were appropriate; and

WHEREAS, the County now wishes to amend the aforesaid contract to add an additional **TWENTY THOUSAND (\$20,000.00) DOLLARS** for a total contract amount of **ONE HUNDRED TWENTY THOUSAND (\$120,000.00) DOLLARS**; and

WHEREAS, funds for this purpose are available in Account No. 0003B as certified by the Director of the Department of Finance and Administration; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq., permits the awarding of a contract for professional services without public advertising for bids, and requires that the resolution and the terms be available for public inspection.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Chosen Freeholders to the County of Hudson, that:

1. The aforesaid recitals are incorporated herein as though fully set forth at length.
2. The Board hereby authorizes the County Executive, or his lawfully appointed designee, to execute any and all documents and take any and all actions necessary to complete and realize the intent and purpose of this resolution.

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3. The County Executive, or his lawful designee, is hereby authorized to pay for the above referenced services based upon the following information:

Vendor/Provider: LeClair Ryan
Two Penn Plaza East
Tenth Floor
Newark, New Jersey 07105

Term of Contract: January 1, 2008 through December 31, 2008

Contract Amount: \$100,000.00
Amendment: \$20,000.00

Total Contract Amount: \$120,000.00

Source of Funding: Account No. 0003B

County Department
Originating Request: Department of Law

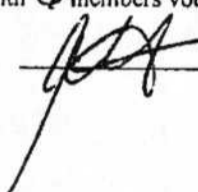
4. A Notice of this action shall be published by the Clerk of the Board of Chosen Freeholders.

5. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

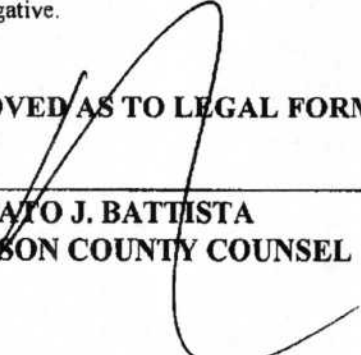
Freeholder	Aye	Nay	Abst	N.P.	Freeholder	Aye	Nay	Abst.	N.P.
Cifelli	✓				O'Dea		✓		
DiDomenico				✓	Rivas	✓			
Liggio	✓				Rivera	✓			
Fitzgibbons	✓				Chairman Dublin	✓			
Munoz		✓							

Source:
Department of Law
KMG/ek

It is hereby certified that at a regular meeting of the Board of Freeholders of the County of Hudson held on the 13 day of Nov. A.D. 2008, the foregoing resolution was adopted with 6 members voting in the affirmative and 2 in the negative.


Clerk

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM

BY: 
DONATO J. BATTISTA
HUDSON COUNTY COUNSEL