

# Request for Legislative Action

Res. #21012  
Sponsor: Charlie Franklin  
Date: July 25, 2022

Completed by County Counselor's Office			
Action Requested:	Resolution	Res.Ord No.:	21012
Sponsor(s):	Charlie Franklin	Legislature Meeting Date:	7/25/2022

Introduction
<b>Action Items:</b> ['Authorize']
<b>Project/Title:</b>
Authorizing the County Counselor to execute an Addendum to the existing Legal Services Agreement with Husch Blackwell LLP at a cost to the County not to exceed \$10,000.00, for services to be performed in 2022.

Request Summary						
The County Counselor recommends that he be authorized to execute an Addendum to existing Legal Services Agreement with Husch Blackwell LLP, to provide legal services to the County in certain ongoing matters. Husch Blackwell LLP responded to previous county requests for qualifications to serve as outside counsel. The not to exceed amounts for services to be performed in the remained of 2022, are as follows:						
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Contact Information			
<b>Department:</b>	County Counselor	<b>Submitted Date:</b>	7/19/2022
<b>Name:</b>	Elizabeth Freeland	<b>Email:</b>	EFreeland@jacksongov.org
<b>Title:</b>	Litigation Paralegal	<b>Phone:</b>	816-881-3352

Budget Information			
Amount authorized by this legislation this fiscal year:			\$10,000
Amount previously authorized this fiscal year:			\$85,000
Total amount authorized after this legislative action:			\$95,000
Is it transferring fund?			No
Single Source Funding:			
<b>Fund:</b>	<b>Department:</b>	<b>Line Item Account:</b>	<b>Amount:</b>
001 (General Fund)	1101 (County Counselor)	56020 (Legal Services)	\$10,000



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### History

Submitted by County Counselor requestor: Elizabeth Freeland on 7/19/2022. Comments:

Approved by Department Approver Jay D. Haden on 7/19/2022 12:06:36 PM. Comments:

Returned for more information by Purchasing Office Approver Craig A. Reich on 7/20/2022 1:16:52 PM. Comments: Returned per request by County Counselor office.

Submitted by Requestor Elizabeth Freeland on 7/20/2022 1:41:23 PM. Comments: Mistake corrected- no legislation prior needed.

Approved by Department Approver Bryan O. Covinsky on 7/20/2022 3:47:45 PM. Comments:

Not applicable by Purchasing Office Approver Barbara J. Casamento on 7/21/2022 11:24:17 AM. Comments:

Approved by Compliance Office Approver Katie M. Bartle on 7/21/2022 11:50:50 AM. Comments: THIS IS AWARDED UNDER THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF RFQ 29-19, WHICH INCLUDES MBE AND WBE GOALS. HUSCH BLACKWELL IS NOT IN COMPLIANCE WITH CHAPTER 6. REQUIRED MONTHLY REPORTS HAVE NEVER BEEN SUBMITTED SINCE THE INITIAL AWARD IN 2019. TO DATE, NO PAYMENTS TO MBE OR WBE FIRMS HAVE BEEN REPORTED BY HUSCH BLACKWELL.

Approved by Budget Office Approver Mark Lang on 7/21/2022 12:12:46 PM. Comments: The fiscal note is attached.

Approved by Executive Office Approver Troy Schulte on 7/21/2022 12:29:09 PM. Comments:

Approved by Counselor's Office Approver Elizabeth Freeland on 7/21/2022 12:36:55 PM. Comments:



**SIXTEENTH ADDENDUM  
LEGAL SERVICES AGREEMENT**

**THIS SIXTEENTH ADDENDUM TO AGREEMENT**, made and entered into on this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2022, by and between **JACKSON COUNTY, MISSOURI**, hereinafter called "the County" and **HUSCH BLACKWELL LLP**, 4801 Main Street, Suite 1000, Kansas City, MO 64112, hereinafter called "Legal Counsel."

**W I T N E S S E T H:**

WHEREAS, Legal Counsel has entered into a Legal Services Agreement dated March 27, 2013, whereunder Legal Counsel agreed to provide legal advice to the County in connection with general employment law, consultation, representation, and training; and,

WHEREAS, the parties now desire to increase the maximum sum available for services rendered under this Agreement.

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing and the terms and provisions herein contained, County and Legal Counsel respectively promise, covenant and agree with each other as follows:

1. Except as expressly provided herein, all provisions of the prior Legal Services Agreement dated March 27, 2013, and all previous addendums, shall remain in full force and effect pursuant to their terms.
2. The maximum sum to be paid by County to Legal Counsel shall be increased by the amount of \$10,000.00 for a new maximum total of \$110,000.00

3. This Sixteenth Addendum shall be effective as of January 1, 2022, and shall remain in effect, together with the Agreement of March 27, 2013, and all previous addendums, until December 31, 2022.
4. This Sixteenth Addendum to Agreement, together with the Legal Services Agreement dated March 27, 2013, and all previous addendums, incorporates the entire understanding and agreement of the parties.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have signed and executed this Agreement on the date first above written.

HUSCH BLACKWELL LLP

JACKSON COUNTY, MISSOURI

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Julianne P. Story

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Bryan O. Covinsky  
County Counselor

ATTEST:

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Mary Jo Spino  
Clerk of the Legislature

**REVENUE CERTIFICATE**

I hereby certify that there is a balance otherwise unencumbered to the credit of the appropriation to which this contract is chargeable, and a cash balance otherwise unencumbered in the treasury from which payment is to be made, each sufficient to meet the obligation of \$10,000.00 which is hereby authorized.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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Director of Finance and Purchasing  
Account No. 001-1101-56020