

## BOROUGH OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY OF MONMOUTH

### **RESOLUTION 25-016**

# AUTHORIZING AWARD OF A FAIR AND OPEN CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES – CONFLICT ATTORNEY

**WHEREAS,** the Borough of Highlands has a need for professional conflict attorney legal services for the calendar year 2025 pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5; and

**WHEREAS**, such professional services can only be provided by licensed professionals and the firm of Maraziti Falcon, LLP are so recognized; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has reviewed all proposals received and has determined that the Mayor and Borough Council desires to authorize the execution of a professional services contract between the following listed person/firm and the Borough for the provision of said services for the year of 2025; and

**WHEREAS**, the Chief Financial Officer has determined and certified in writing that the value of the contract will exceed \$17,500; and

**WHEREAS**, certification of availability of funds has been provided by the Chief Financial Officer contingent upon the adoption of the 2025 budget.

#### **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** by the Borough of Highlands Council as follows:

- 1. That the firm of Maraziti Falcon, LLP is hereby appointed and retained to provide professional conflict attorney services at an hourly rate of \$195.00 per hour, for the twelve (12) month period beginning January 1, 2025, through December 31, 2025, in an amount not to exceed \$25,000.00.
- 2. The Mayor and Municipal Clerk are hereby authorized to sign the contract for the aforesaid professional services.
- 3. This contract is awarded without competitive bidding as "Professional Services" in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(A)(i) because it is for services performed by persons authorized by law to practice a recognized profession.
- 4. A copy of this Resolution as well as the contract shall be placed on file with the Clerk of the Borough of Highlands.
- 5. The Municipal Clerk is hereby directed to publish public notice of this award as required by law.

#### Motion to Approve R 25-016:

	INTRODUCED	SECOND	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
CERVANTES						
CHELAK						
MELNYK						
OLSZEWSKI						
BROULLON						

This is a Certified True copy of the Original Resolution on file in the Municipal Clerk's Office.

DATE OF VOTE: January 1, 2025

Nancy Tran, Municipal Clerk

Borough of Highlands