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Victoria Newton
Executive Secretary
Executive Council
State Capitol

Re: Retention of Special Counsel

Dear Victoria:


Our office requests authorization pursuant to Iowa Code section 13.7 to retain Special Counsel to provide legal services and representation to the University of Iowa (UI) with respect to claims asserted in *Wadley v. University of Iowa*, Case No. 4:20-cv-366, in the United States District Court for the Southern District of Iowa.

This matter arises from allegations of racial discrimination by former members of the UI Football Program. The case presents complex issues of fact and law and unique issues related to university governance. Plaintiffs are currently represented by three different law firms and have numerous attorneys working on the case. This office has determined that it would be in the best interests of both UI and the State to engage Special Counsel with expertise in similar matters and with additional resources to represent UI in this matter.

This office has consulted with UI and we recommend Shuttleworth & Ingersoll, PLC, 115 3rd Street SE Cedar Rapids, Iowa 52401 to act as Special Counsel in this matter. Teresa Bauman will act as primary counsel for the matter and fees will range from \$250 to \$325 per hour. Fees and associated costs of litigation will be paid by UI.

Accordingly, our office recommends that Shuttleworth & Ingersoll be approved as Special Counsel.

Sincerely,



JEFFREY S. THOMPSON
Solicitor General