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Mr. Steven Blankinship  
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Dear Mr. Blankinship:

The Executive Council, in a meeting held this date, approved your requests for retention of outside counsel pursuant to Iowa Code section 13.3(1), in *Cashman, Michele v. University of Iowa Hospitals and State of Iowa and Second Injury Fund*, a worker's compensation case filed by a State employee.

Firm: Patterson Law Firm, L.L.P.  
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