

- Giving legal advice to commissioners and county staff
- Preparing or reviewing contracts, ordinances, and resolutions
- Helping with land use, zoning, and development issues
- Ensuring the County follows Sunshine (open meetings) and public records laws
- Supporting staff on day-to-day government operations

The proposal includes a team of experienced attorneys with expertise in:

- Local government law
- Labor and employment issues
- Land use and zoning
- Environmental law
- Contracts and procurement
- Litigation and regulatory matters

They highlight that:

- Several of their lawyers are **board-certified experts** in government-related specialties.
- Their team has **decades of experience** working with Florida cities and counties.
- None of the attorneys proposed have ever been disciplined or suspended by the Florida Bar.

The firm states they will:

- Work primarily from their **Gainesville office**, which is close to Levy County
- Be available during normal business hours and respond quickly
- Attend urgent or unscheduled meetings, often the same day
- Provide substitute attorneys from their team if the lead attorney is unavailable

They include references from:

- Hillsborough County
- Hardee County
- City of Macclenny
- City of Milton
- CareerSource Tampa Bay / Pinellas

These references can be contacted to verify the firm’s performance.

They offer **two options** for general County Attorney services:

Option 1 – \$20,000 per month

- Covers up to **50 hours** of legal work
- Extra hours billed separately at discounted rates

Option 2 – \$35,000 per month

- **Unlimited** legal service hours

Both options cover routine tasks, including attending Board meetings, reviewing documents, and handling everyday legal requests.

Extra / Specialty Work

Some work — such as litigation, major land-use changes, major ordinance rewrites, union negotiations, civil rights cases, or real estate transactions — is considered outside routine services and billed hourly.

Hourly Rates for Specialty Work:

- Shareholder: **\$495/hr**
- Senior Associate: **\$395/hr**
- Associate: **\$295/hr**
- Paralegal: **\$195/hr**

These are described as “discounted government rates.”

Other costs:

Mileage, postage, high-volume printing, and similar expenses may be billed to the County at standard rates.

