

**BOROUGH OF PENNINGTON
RESOLUTION 2023-6.10**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RETENTION OF
ATTORNEY FOR SERVICES AS HEARING OFFICER**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Pennington requires the services of a hearing officer to hear a pending employee disciplinary matter;

WHEREAS, the Borough seeks to retain Ellen O’Connell to perform these services; and

WHEREAS, Ellen O’Connell has the necessary judicial experience to perform these services; and

WHEREAS, Ellen O’Connell will enter into a Professional Services agreement specifying compensation at the rate of \$185.00 per hour and reimbursement of necessary related expenses; and

WHEREAS, the total expenditure for these services shall not exceed \$5,000.00 without prior written approval by Borough Council;

WHEREAS, in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, this agreement has been awarded without advertising for bids because it is a contract for professional services;

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough has certified the funds are available for these services in the Legal Consultants line #3-01-20-155-000-250;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by Borough Council of the Borough of Pennington, that the retention of Ellen O’Connell for the described services as a hearing officer is hereby approved, subject to execution of a Professional Services Agreement containing the above terms and further subject to approval by the Borough Attorney.

Record of Council Vote on Passage

COUNCILMAN	AYE	NAY	N.V.	A.B.	COUNCILMAN	AYE	NAY	N.V.	A.B.
Angarone					Marciante				
Chandler					Stern				
Gnatt					Valenza				

This is to certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a Resolution adopted by the Borough Council of the Borough of Pennington at a meeting on June 5, 2023.

Elizabeth Sterling, Borough Clerk