RESOLUTION 16-24

UNION COUNTY INSURANCE FUND COMMISSION RESOLUTION APPOINTING COUNSEL

WHEREAS, the Union County Insurance Fund Commission has a need to provide legal representation to the County of Union in the matter of <u>Daphne Cedres v. County of Union</u>, et al., in the Superior Court of New Jersey, County of Union; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to a fair and open process by way of a Request for Qualifications for Litigation Defense Counsel services by the County of Union, the law firm of Rainone, Coughlin Minchello, was authorized to provide legal representation to the Insurance Fund Commission for the year 2024; and

WHEREAS, Rainone, Coughlin, Minchello, 555 U.S. One, South, Iselin, NJ has agreed to provide the necessary services as outlined above in the sum not to exceed \$10,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law requires that a resolution authorizing the awarding of a contract for professional services "without competitive bidding" must be passed by the governing body and shall be advertised and be available for inspection by members of the public; and

WHEREAS, this contract is awarded without competitive bidding as a "Professional Service" in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(i) of the Local Public Contracts Law because the services to be provided are in the field of law requiring considerable training and specialized study:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Commissioners of the Union County Insurance Fund Commission that it hereby authorizes the Chairperson to execute a contract with Rainone, Coughlin Minchello, pursuant to a fair and open process, to provide the necessary legal services as outlined above, in the amount not to exceed \$10,000.00; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that notice of this Resolution be published according to law.

ADOPTED by the UNION COUNTY INSURANCE FUND COMMISSION at a properly noticed meeting held February 27, 2024.

ADOPTED:

Chair

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ATTEST:

Vice-chair

Dated: