



Board of Commissioners of Cook County

118 North Clark Street
Chicago, IL

Legislation Text

File #: 16-4860, **Version:** 1

PROPOSED CONTRACT AMENDMENT

Department(s): Cook County Sheriff's Office

Vendor: Hinshaw & Culbertson, LLP, Chicago, Illinois

Request: Authorization for the Chief Procurement Officer to renew and increase contract

Good(s) or Service(s): Litigation Consulting Services.

Original Contract Period: 9/1/2014 - 8/31/2015, with two (2), one (1) year renewal options

Proposed Contract Period Extension: 9/1/2016 - 8/31/2017

Total Current Contract Amount Authority: \$145,000.00

Original Approval (Board or Procurement): 10/29/2014, \$145,000.00

Previous Board Increase(s) or Extension(s): N/A

Previous Chief Procurement Officer Increase(s) or Extension(s): 12/14/2015, 9/1/2015 - 8/31/2016

This Increase Requested: \$75,000.00

Potential Fiscal Impact: FY 2016 \$20,000.00, FY 2017 \$55,000.00

Accounts: 214-263

Contract Number(s): 1411-13673

Concurrences:

The contract-specific goal set on this contract was zero.

The Chief Procurement Officer concurs.

Summary: This increase and final renewal option will allow the Cook County Sheriff's Office to continue to receive litigation consulting services from Hinshaw and Culbertson, LLP ("Firm").

The Firm is retained to consult and assist the Cook County Sheriff's Office in connection with maintaining substantial compliance with the *Shakman* Supplemental Relief Order entered in the *Shakman* litigation, 69-CV-2145, pending before the Federal Court in the Northern District of Illinois. Specifically, the Firm will provide consultation services in political discrimination cases currently pending in the Northern District of Illinois arising specifically out of a Post-Supplemental Relief Order ("Post-SRO") *Shakman* claim. Due to the relatedness of the claims and the attorneys involved, it is necessary that counsel familiar with all aspects of

Shakman are involved in the litigation to ensure the *Shakman* dismissal remains undisturbed. In addition, the Firm provides consultation on matters regarding amendments to the Sheriff Employment Action Manual, *Shakman* exempt employees, the exempt list and positions and related employment litigation involving allegations of political or first amendment retaliation or violations.

This is a Sole Source Procurement pursuant to Section 34-139 of the Cook County Procurement Code.