

RFP2022-16 RE-ADVERTISEMENT FOR LEGAL SERVICES FOR MUNICIPAL LITIGATION AND OTHER RELATED MATTERS FOR THE CITY OF TRENTON, DEPARTMENT OF LAW PROPOSALS OPENED 5/10/2022 AT 11:00AM

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matters, privatization efforts and labor negotiations. In our labor practice, we have conducted labor negotiations, produced policy manuals, and dealt with reductions in force/layoff matters and with privatization matters. This experience on the labor side provides us a unique perspective when litigating related matters.

As litigation counsel, the firm has experience handling a myriad of litigation matters for our public sector clients in Federal and State Trial Courts, as well as the Appellate level. We have handled matters ranging from Title 59 matters to discrimination litigation to bidding and administrative law hearings, including issues arising under Title 40A, civil service, 42 U.S.C. § 1983, the N.J.L.A.D., CEPA, the New Jersey Civil Rights Act, political affiliation discrimination, Fair Labor Standards Act, Wage and Hour Act, and wrongful discharge matters. As labor counsel, we have handled labor negotiations, employment dispute resolution, litigation defense, reductions in force/layoff matters, and privatization efforts.

The firm bills at an hourly rate of \$170.00 for partners, and \$135.00 for of counsel, and associates. This fee includes all photocopying, telephone, and secretarial time. The only additional fees required are court fees for litigation and other similar out-of-pocket expenses. The firm does not use subcontractors.

Ruderman & Roth, LLC would welcome the opportunity to represent the City of Trenton. If you have any questions or need further information, please call us. We look forward to working with you.



RUDERMAN & ROTH, LLC.
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FEE SCHEDULE

The hourly rate for professional and paraprofessional legal services for City of Trenton depending on the nature of the matter will be:

Shareholders	\$175
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All non-paralegal work will be performed by a shareholder.

In addition to legal services, our invoices will include any out-of-pocket expenses attributable to a specific client matter. Out-of-pocket expenses generally include, but are not limited to postage, photocopying and complex document production, courier services, online research, travel expenses, filing, recording, and certification and registration fees charged by governmental bodies.

Itemized statements showing services rendered and disbursements made by the firm on behalf of the client will be submitted on a monthly basis, together with an appropriate voucher for payment.

Administrative Fees

Photocopying	\$.20 per copy
Courier Service	At cost
Telephone calls	Included in hourly rate
Faxes	no charge
Postage	At cost
Travel/mileage	\$.56 cost per mile

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May 3, 2022

Via FedEx Overnight Mail

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**Re: RFP 2022-16 Legal Services- General Municipal Litigation and
Other Related Matters**

Dear Ms. Garcia:

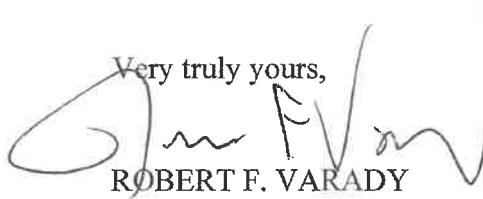
The following is our price proposal for the provision of Request for Proposals: Legal Services for General Municipal Litigation.

\$175.00 an hour for all shareholders or partner attorneys

\$135.00 an hour for all other attorneys

\$85.00 an hour for paralegals

We do not charge for photocopying or postage.

Very truly yours,

ROBERT F. VARADY



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Compensation Proposal.

Malamut and Associates has a long-standing commitment to staffing client matters according to the task at hand, utilizing partners, associates, and paralegals where required in order to deliver the best product and service in an effective and cost-efficient manner.

It has been our practice to base all legal services on an hourly fee rather than a retainer. Our current hourly rate is \$175.00 per hour for partners. We would invoice you monthly for work performed during the preceding calendar month. Out-of-pocket expenses would be charged at our actual cost, without application of any mark up. Out-of-pocket expenses include, but are not limited to, records we pay for, transcripts we pay for, but not mileage to court or meetings.

Other associate attorneys at the firm may assist where necessary and appropriate. The maximum rate that the firm will charge for those attorneys' services will be \$135.00 per hour. Paralegal services will be charged at \$85.00 per hour.

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Charles R.G. Simmons, Esq.*
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VIA FEDERAL EXPRESS

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Re: References - RFP2022-16
Re-Advertisement - Legal Services General Municipal Litigation and Other Related Matters

Dear Ms. Garcia:

Simmons Law L.L.C. submits the below hourly rates for Re-Advertisement - Legal Services General Municipal Litigation and Other Related Matters for the City of Trenton:

- \$175.00 per hour for shareholders
- \$85.00 per hour for paralegals

Expenses will include but not be limited to: filing fees, deposition costs, expert fees, mileage, 5 cents per black and white photocopies and 15 cents per colored copies and postage costs.

The undersigned is a **Corporation**, Partnership or Individual under the laws of the State of New Jersey having its principal office at 1349 Lake Street, Plainfield, New Jersey 07060.

Company: Simmons Law L.L.C.

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Date: 5/19/22

Signature:

Charles R.G. Simmons, Esq.

I. INTRODUCTION

Boyle & Valenti Law, P.C. (the "Firm") is pleased to submit this "**Price Proposal**" in response to The City of Trenton's Request for Proposals - RFP2022-16 for **LEGAL SERVICES FOR GENERAL MUNICIPAL LITIGATION AND OTHER RELATED MATTERS** issued through the Department of Law to provide legal services pertaining to general municipal litigation and other legal matters as an independent contractor to the City of Trenton.

As per the Request for Proposals, this portion of the Firm's Proposal sets forth the Firm's price proposal and specifically the rates and costs proposed by the Firm for providing the services sought by the Request for Proposals and has been provided in a separately sealed envelope from that portion of our proposal that sets forth the Firm's qualifications and other required information sought by the Request for Proposals.

II. FEES AND COSTS

The Firm will bill on an hourly basis for the legal services provided based upon the number of hours worked in providing the legal services sought by the Request for Proposals as well as bill for costs incurred in providing such services in accordance with the rates and terms specified below.

The Firm proposes to bill at the following hourly rates which shall apply to all time expended in providing the requested services including, but not limited to, document preparation, the preparation of pleadings, motions and supporting papers, the preparation for and attendance at hearings, conferences and/or trial, the preparation for and attendance at meetings with the client, witnesses or others as necessary, the attendance at Council Meetings, if required, all communications and all required travel:

Shareholder Attorneys..... \$175.00 per hour

Associate Attorneys..... \$135.00 per hour

Paralegals..... \$ 85.00 per hour

The Firm also proposes to invoice for costs incurred in performing the scope of work in accordance with its ordinary billing practices (to the extent consistent with all applicable City of Trenton Guidelines for Outside Counsel) which currently are as follows:

Courier charges and postage: Actual cost to Firm

Photocopies: 8 cents for black and white and 50 cents per page for colored or actual cost where outsourced

Scanning: No charge



Respondent's Cost Proposal

Antonelli Kantor, P.C. is amenable to the hourly rates set by the City of Trenton:

Partners: \$175.00/hour

All other Attorneys: \$135.00/hour

Paralegals: \$85.00/hour

Additionally, Antonelli Kantor, P.C. will seek reimbursement, at cost, for filing fees, mailings, courier services, deposition expenses, transcripts expenses, subpoena fees, and experts' fees, if any.

Antonelli Kantor, P.C.



Jarrod H. Kantor, Partner

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PRICE PROPOSAL

The attorneys at the Weiner Law Group LLP will render the necessary legal services to the City of Trenton at the hourly rate of one hundred seventy-five (\$175.00) dollars per hour per partner, one hundred thirty-five dollars (\$135.00) for all other attorneys, and eight-five (\$85.00) per hour for paralegals; plus any disbursements such as filing fees, costs of Court, deposition costs and expert costs. The Weiner Law Group LLP will submit to the City of Trenton monthly invoices detailing the professional services rendered during the billing period covered by the invoice and any disbursements paid on behalf of the client by the firm.

WEINER LAW GROUP LLP

By:


Joseph F. Ranieri
Member of the Firm

Dated: May 9, 2022

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RESPONSE TO CITY OF TRENTON RE-ADVERTISEMENT REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS LEGAL SERVICES FOR GENERAL MUNICIPAL LITIGATION AND OTHER RELATED MATTERS RFP 2022-16

A. Qualifications.

The law firm of Michael A. Armstrong & Associates, LLC, hereby submits its proposal to the City of Trenton for Legal Services for General Municipal Litigation and Other Related Matters. Michael A. Armstrong & Associates, LLC, presently represents several government entities, including the City of Trenton, in all areas of general municipal and defense, litigation, appeals, motion practice, legal research, and other legal matters as needed. The Law Office of Michael A. Armstrong was established on February 15, 1994. On January 18, 2008, the firm changed its name to Michael A. Armstrong & Associates, LLC. The managing partner is Michael A. Armstrong.

The firm represents public and private clients in matters involving employment, general government defense, commercial litigation, legislative, general civil defense, contracts, real estate, condemnation actions, redevelopment, planning, criminal, municipal court and personal injury. The law firm has engaged in litigation with some of the largest law firms in the State and consistently achieves favorable results for our clients. The firm's expertise is primarily concentrated in the areas of local and state government defense arising from matters involving tort claims, employment, planning, redevelopment, real estate contracts, condemnations, and legislation.

B. Compensation Proposal.

Hourly Rates for Attorneys and Support Staff

	<u>Rate Per Hour</u>	<u>Services of</u>
\$	175.00	Michael A. Armstrong
\$	135.00	Associate Attorneys
\$	85.00	Paralegals

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**RE: Price Proposal for RFP2022-16 Re-Advertisement Legal Services - Municipal
Litigation Matters and Other Related Matters**

Dear Ms. Garcia:

In connection with our proposal to perform legal services for general municipal litigation and other related matters, below please find our separate price proposal in this matter. In addition to handling the foreclosures for the City, we would handle bankruptcy matters for the City, we would assist in real estate matters relating to selling real estate and provide legal advice relating to the above.

We would perform tax sale foreclosure services at \$500.00 per tax sale certificate plus costs in the *in rem* foreclosure of more than 10 tax sale certificates. As long as the foreclosure remains uncontested, there will be no additional legal expenses. However, it must be clear that in addition to \$500.00 per property or tax sale certificate, there are costs associated with a tax sale foreclosure. There is the cost of obtaining a foreclosure search, filing fee costs, recording costs, advertising costs, copying costs and postage. These costs must be reimbursable to the applicant. While each particular foreclosure is unique and the search will dictate who must be served, these costs normally average approximately \$1,000.00 per tax sale certificate.

In the event that a matter becomes contested, either through the filing of an Answer, a bankruptcy or some other event, we would charge \$175.00 per hour for partners, \$135.00 for associates and \$85.00 per hour for paralegals for legal services on the matter. Sharon Lorenzini or any other paralegal would bill at the rate of \$85.00 per hour.

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**RE: FEE PROPOSAL FOR THE POSITION OF RE-ADVERTISEMENT - LEGAL
SERVICES - GENERAL MUNICIPAL LITIGATION AND OTHER LEGAL
MATTERS (RFP2021-16)**

Dear Ms. Garcia:

We propose a rate of \$175.00 per hour per partners, \$135.00 per hour per associate attorneys, and \$85.00 per hour per paralegals for the term of the Contract.

Respectfully submitted,

FLORIO♦KENNY♦RAVAL, L.L.P.

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Fee Proposal

The firm proposes to act as Counsel for Labor, Employment Litigation and Related Matters to the City of Trenton. The firm has extensive experience in municipal and labor/employment law/litigation and would be willing to handle any assignment in those fields. The firm's proposed hourly rate for said services is \$175.00 for shareholders, all other attorneys, and \$85.00 for paralegals per hour for all time with reimbursement for extraordinary copying costs, travel, postage and delivery fees. There will be no charge for ordinary postage or travel time to and from the client's business location.

* Also a Member of the U.S. Supreme Court Bar

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COST PROPOSAL

The undersigned individual, firm, or corporation, hereby proposes to serve as Legal Services – General Municipal Litigation and Other Related Matters (RFP2022-16) based upon the following compensation:

On a reduced “government rate” hourly basis as follows:

M. James Maley, Jr.	\$175.00
Emily K. Givens	\$175.00
Erin Simone	\$135.00
Michael Maley	\$135.00
Taylor R. Derleth	\$135.00
Paralegal/Law Clerk	\$ 85.00

In addition to the hourly rate for services, reasonable expenses will be billed for photocopies, long distance telephone charges, automated legal research, experts, court costs and other expenses reasonably incurred in representing the City’s interests.

In the event funds for services are paid through an escrow from a private party or redevelopment project, then, with the City’s approval, the firm will charge its usual billing rates.

FEES SCHEDULE FOR LEGAL SERVICES

<u>Services</u>	<u>Rate</u>
All Services, i.e., Special Counsel, Labor and Personnel, Litigation, Court Time, etc.	<i>Attorneys</i> (Partners/Shareholders) \$175.00 per hr.
	<i>Attorneys</i> (Associates) \$135.00 per hr.
	<i>Paralegals</i> \$85.00 per hr.

Other Costs/Expenses, include, but are not limited to the following:

Photocopying:	.20 per page
Scanning:	.10 per page
Telecopying:	.95 per page
Travel expenses: round trip (RT) mileage calculated from Firm office to destination; applicable tolls	.58 per mile (or equivalent IRS Approved Mileage Rate)
Courier and other delivery expenses (including Federal Express, special postage, etc.)	Actual Cost
Online legal research	Actual Cost
Litigation expenses (including court costs, expert fees, subpoena fees, court reporter service, court reporting fees, etc.)	Actual Cost