



# St. Bernard Parish Council

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EXTRACT OF THE OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNCIL OF THE PARISH OF ST. BERNARD, STATE OF LOUISIANA, TAKEN AT A REGULAR MEETING HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF THE ST. BERNARD PARISH GOVERNMENT COMPLEX, 8201 WEST JUDGE PEREZ DRIVE, CHALMETTE, LOUISIANA ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2020 AT SEVEN O'CLOCK P.M.

On motion of Mr. Lewis, seconded by Mr. Luna, it was moved to **adopt** the following ordinance:

## ORDINANCE SBPC #2229-02-20

### Summary No. 3784

Introduced by: Administration on 1/21/20

Public Hearing held on 2/4/20

AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE RETENTION OF GUICE A. GIAMBRONE, III OF BLUE WILLIAMS, L.L.P., TO PROVIDE LEGAL REPRESENTATION FOR ST. BERNARD PARISH GOVERNMENT AND THE ARCHDIOCESE OF NEW ORLEANS IN THE CASE OF MELISSA BLUNT V. ST. BERNARD RECREATION DEPARTMENT IN C.D.C. NO. 19-12254.

**WHEREAS**, St. Bernard Parish Government believes it to be in the best interest of the citizens of St. Bernard Parish and St. Bernard Parish Government to retain Guice A. Giambrone, III of Blue Williams, L.L.P. to represent their interests in the above matter; and,

**WHEREAS**, St. Bernard Parish Government must provide legal representation to the Archdiocese of New Orleans, pursuant to an indemnity agreement.

### ST. BERNARD PARISH COUNCIL DOES HEREBY ORDAIN:

**SECTION I.** The St. Bernard Parish Council, the Governing Authority, does hereby approve and authorize the hiring of private counsel to represent St. Bernard Parish Government and the Archdiocese of New Orleans, pursuant to an indemnity agreement, solely in the case Melissa Blunt v. St. Bernard Recreation Department in C.D.C. No. 19-12254 and any matters related thereto.

**SECTION 2.** Compensation. The compensation shall be pursuant to the retention letter attached as Exhibit A.

**SECTION 3.** Effective Date. This ordinance shall become effective immediately upon authorizing signature by the Parish President. In the event of a presidential veto this ordinance shall become effective upon a two-thirds favorable vote of the total membership of the Council pursuant to Sections 2-11 and 2-13 of the St. Bernard Parish Home Rule Charter.

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at Large

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**SECTION 4.** Severability. If any section, clause, paragraph, provision or portion of this ordinance shall be held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such holding shall not affect any other section, clause, paragraph, provision or portion of this ordinance, the St. Bernard Parish Council hereby expresses and declares that it would have adopted the remaining portion of this Ordinance with the invalid portions omitted.

**SECTION 5.** The Parish President is hereby authorized to enter into a contract for legal services as provided in the attached contract and in accordance with section 4-02 (b) of the Home Rule Charter.

The above and foregoing having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereupon resulted as follows:

**YEAS:** Moran, Luna, Alcon, Everhardt

**NAYS:** None

**ABSENT:** McCloskey, Callais

The Council Vice-Chair, Mr. Lewis, cast his vote as **YEA**.

And the motion was declared **adopted** on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2020.

  
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ROXANNE ADAMS  
CLERK OF COUNCIL

  
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RICHARD "RICHIE" LEWIS  
COUNCIL VICE-CHAIR

Delivered to the Parish President 2-5-2020 2:30pm  
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Approved

Vetoed

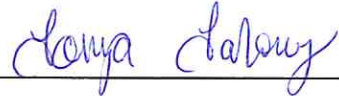
Parish President

  
Guy McInnis

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2-6-2020 1:50pm  
Date and Time

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December 18, 2019

Via email

Hon. Perry Nicosia  
District Attorney, 34<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Court  
St. Bernard Parish  
1101 W. St. Bernard Hwy  
Chalmette, LA 70043

RE: St. Bernard Parish General Government  
Request for Legal Services

Dear Perry:

Please allow this letter to confirm that if retained, we will represent St. Bernard Parish, its officers, executives, employees, departments, service districts, boards and commissions at the rates set forth in the most recent Attorney General Hourly Fee Schedule. The current schedule dated 9/15/14 is attached.

Please advise if we can be of any assistance.

Sincerely,



Guice A. Giambrone, III

GAG/tc  
Enclosure



JAMES D. "BUDDY" CALDWELL  
ATTORNEY GENERAL

State of Louisiana  
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
P.O. BOX 94005  
BATON ROUGE  
70804-9005

September 15, 2014

TO: ALL INTERESTED PARTIES  
FROM: JAMES D. "BUDDY" CALDWELL, ATTORNEY GENERAL  
SUBJECT: MAXIMUM HOURLY FEE SCHEDULE

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This is to advise all interested persons that the approved Maximum Hourly Fee Schedule of this office for professional legal services, effective this date, shall be as follows:

**\$225.00 PER HOUR FOR ATTORNEYS HAVING EXPERIENCE OF TEN YEARS OR MORE IN THE PRACTICE OF LAW**

**\$175.00 PER HOUR FOR ATTORNEYS HAVING EXPERIENCE OF FIVE TO TEN YEARS IN THE PRACTICE OF LAW**

**\$150.00 PER HOUR FOR ATTORNEYS HAVING EXPERIENCE OF THREE TO FIVE YEARS IN THE PRACTICE OF LAW**

**\$125.00 PER HOUR FOR ATTORNEYS HAVING EXPERIENCE OF LESS THAN THREE YEARS IN THE PRACTICE OF LAW**

**\$60.00 PER HOUR FOR PARALEGAL SERVICES**

**\$40.00 PER HOUR FOR LAW CLERK SERVICES**

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