

**TOWNSHIP OF WARREN
RESOLUTION NO. 2023-138
AWARD OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT
TOWNSHIP ATTORNEY**

WHEREAS, the Township of Warren (“Township”) has a need for a Township Attorney to provide legal services for the Township for the period from January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq., specifically N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5, permits the award of professional services without public advertisement as defined in N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.7 or competitive bidding, pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee now desires to appoint Jeffrey B. Lehrer as Township Attorney and to enter into a Contract for Professional Services (“Contract”) with DiFrancesco Bateman to provide legal services in accordance with the terms of that Contract.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Warren, County of Somerset and State of New Jersey as follows:

1. The Mayor and Township Clerk hereby authorize the execution of a Professional Services Contract, a copy of which is annexed hereto, with DiFrancesco Bateman to provide legal services in accordance with the terms set forth therein.
2. This Contract is awarded without competitive bidding as a “professional service” under the Local Public Contracts Law, more specifically N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5, which permits such work to be performed without advertising for bids.
3. The Business Disclosure Entity Certification shall be placed on file with this Resolution.
4. The Chief Financial Officer certifies that sufficient funds to pay for this Professional Services Contract for the period from January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023 are available in Account Nos. 3-01-20-155-6101 and 3-05-55-505-6104 and various escrow accounts. A Certification of Available Funds shall be provided by the Chief Financial Officer and is attached hereto and made a part hereof.
5. A notice of this action shall be printed in the official newspapers required by law within ten (10) days of the adoption of this Resolution.
6. The amount of the contract shall not exceed \$280,000.00.

INTRODUCED	SECONDED	COMMITTEE	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
X		CROSON	X			
		LONTAI	X			
	X	SORDILLO	X			
		LAZO				X
		DINARDO	X			

CERTIFICATION

I, Cathy Reese, Township Clerk of the Township of Warren, in the County of Somerset, New Jersey, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted at a meeting of the Township Committee held on May 18, 2023.

Cathy Reese, RMC
Township Clerk

CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER'S CERTIFICATION

I, Karen DeNave, Chief Financial Officer of the Township of Warren, hereby certify that adequate funds are available for the above referenced purchase. Monies are available in Account Nos. 3-01-20-155-6101 and 3-05-55-505-6104.

Dated: May 19, 2023

Karen DeNave
Chief Financial Officer