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The Honorable Tim Anderson Secretary of the Senate State House, Room 058 Springfield, Illinois 62706

The Honorable John Hollman Clerk of the House 420 State House Springfield, Illinois 62706

Dear Secretary Anderson and Clerk Hollman:

Pursuant to section 1300.30(b) of the Illinois Attorney General's Procurement Rules (44 Ill. Adm. Code § 1300.30(b) (2024), last amended at 42 Ill. Reg. 13585, effective June 29, 2018), the chief procurement officer (CPO) is required to file a report with the General Assembly no later than November 1 of each year that shall include, at a minimum, an annual summary of the information reported to the CPO with regard to contracts necessary to prepare for anticipated litigation.

Attached is a summary of sixty-three FY2024 contracts that were exempt under section 1300.30 of the Attorney General's Procurement Rules. The summary includes the name of each contractor, a description of the supplies or services provided, the total amount of each contract, the term of each contract, and an acknowledgment that each contract was exempt from the Code and the Attorney General's Procurement Rules, per the approval of the Counsel to the Attorney General's designee, Chief Deputy Attorney General Brent Stratton.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please advise.

Very truly yours,

Christina Huddleston Chief Procurement Officer

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	Description of Supplies/Services			Excepted from		
Name of Contractor		Amount	Term	Procurement Rules		
Acadian Consulting Group	Consultant retained by the Public Utilities Bureau to provide analysis and testimony concerning utilities' spending requests and plans relating to natural gas delivery infrastructure investment.	\$65,000	7/01/2023 - 6/30/2024	Yes		
Alvarez and Associates LLC d/b/a The Wired Group	Consultant retained by the Public Utilities Bureau to perform consulting and expert witness services in cases before the ICC.		7/01/2023 - 6/30/2024	Yes		
Philip Andrew d/b/a Pax Group, LLC	Consultant retained by Public Interest Division to provide consulting and expert witness services related to assault weapons/large capacity magazine litigation in federal and state court	\$30,000	7/19/2023 - 6/30/2024	Yes		
Aspen Communications	Consultant retained by Public Interest Division to provide consulting and expert witness services related to assault weapons/large capacity magazine litigation in federal and state court	\$30,000	7/19/2023 - 6/30/2024	Yes		
Dennis E. Baron	Consultant retained by Public Interest Division to provide consulting and expert witness services related to assault weapons/large capacity magazine litigation in federal and state court	\$30,000	7/01/2023 - 6/30/2024	Yes		
Kathryn Bocanegra	Consultant retained by Crime Victim Services Division to provide professional and consulting services to further enhance the resources provided to victims of violent crime.	not to exceed \$50,000	7/01/2023 - 6/30/2024	Yes		
Brown Greer PLC	Third Party Claims Administrator retained by Consumer Fraud Bureau to administer claim notification and payment in conjunction with <i>In</i> <i>re National Prescription Opioid Litigation</i> , Case No. 17-md-2804, and <i>Boone County Illinois et al</i> <i>v. CVS Healthcare Corp. et al</i> , Case No. 2022 L 007352	not to exceed \$20,000	6/01/2023 - 6/30/2024	Yes		

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Brown Greer PLC	Third Party Claims Administrator retained by Consumer Fraud Bureau to administer claim notification and payment in conjunction with <i>State of Illinois v. Publicis Health</i> , Case No. 2024- CH-00658	not to exceed \$40,000	3/20/2024 - 6/30/2025	Yes		
John R. Brown Transparency Matters, LLC	Consultant retained by the Civil Rights Bureau to provide technical and professional analysis of policing practices and related activities undertaken by the Chicago Police Department and the Joliet Police Department.	\$25,000	7/17/2023 - 6/30/2024	Yes		
Dr. Paul Burcher	Consultant retained by Special Litigation Bureau to tesify in litigation involving standard of care for providers' conscience-based objections to providing certain medical care.	not to exceed \$10,000	12/04/2020 - 12/01/2023	Yes		
James M. Cantor, PhD	Consultant retained by Sexually Violent Persons Bureau to testify regarding the general acceptance of various mental disorders in multiple pending cases.	\$50,000	7/01/2023 - 6/30/2024	Yes		
Corporate Analytics, Inc. c/o Sebastian Coppola, President	Consultant retained by Public Utilities Bureau to perform consulting and expert witness services in cases before the ICC.	\$50,000	7/01/2023 - 6/30/2024	Yes		
Denzel Hankinson, DHInfrastructure, Economics & Finance	Consultant retained by Public Utilities Bureau to perform consulting and expert witness services in cases before the ICC.	\$50,000 (original) \$85,000 (after amendment)	7/01/2023 - 6/30/2024 (original) 3/18/2024 - 6/30/2024 (amendment)	Yes		
Brian E. DeLay	Consultant retained by Public Interest Division to provide consulting and expert witness services related to assault weapons/large capacity magazine litigation in federal and state court	\$30,000	7/01/2023 - 6/30/2024	Yes		
Jason Dempsey	Consultant retained by Public Interest Division to provide consulting and expert witness services related to assault weapons/large capacity magazine litigation in federal and state court	\$30,000	5/14/2024 - 6/30/2025	Yes		

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Do Great Things LLC d/b/a Keystone Strategy LLC	Consultant retained by Antitrust Bureau to provide analysis that will assist in the review process of healthcare facilities and provider organizations that are proposing mergers, acquisitions or contracting affiliations and assist with potential legal challenges that may arise to stop anticompetitive transactions.	not to exceed \$250,000 (original) \$310,000 (after amendment)	4/16/2024 - 9/30/2024 (original) 7/10/2024 - 9/30/2024 (amendment	Yes		
Do Great Things LLC d/b/a Keystone Strategy LLC	Consultant retained by Antitrust Bureau to provide analysis that will assist in the review process of healthcare facilities and provider organizations that are proposing mergers, acquisitions or contracting affiliations and assist with potential legal challenges that may arise to stop anticompetitive transactions.	not to exceed \$50,000	4/16/2024 - 3/01/2025	Yes		
Economics and Technology, Inc.	Consultant retained by Public Utilities Bureau to perform consulting and expert witness services in cases before the ICC.	\$20,000 (original) \$35,000 (after amendment)	4/20/2023 - 6/30/2024 7/25/2023 - 6/30/2024	Yes		
David J. Effron d/b/a Berkshire Consulting Services	Consultant retained by Public Utilities Bureau to perform technical and expert witness services with respect to cases before the ICC.	\$125,000 (original) \$190,000 (after 1st amendment) \$205,000 (after 2nd amendment)	7/01/2023 - 6/30/2024 (original) 3/18/2024 - 6/30/2024 (1st amendment)	Yes		
The Equal Rights Center	Consultant retained by Workplace Rights Bureau to conduct testing to uncover unlawful employment practices.	not to exceed \$76,050	11/30/2022 - 11/01/2023 (original) 11/30/2022 - 6/30/2025 (amendment	Yes		

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FB Consulting LLC Erin Fuse Brown, Member	Consultant retained by Public Interest Division to provide expert technical and professional services concerning the operation of private equity entities in healthcare.	not to exceed \$50,000	4/16/2024 - 5/01/2025	Yes		
Dr. Ben Feigenberg	Consultant retained to provide expert witness, research, analysis, and potentially written or oral testimony on behalf of State defendants in Campbell v. Pritzker 22-MR-261 (Sangamon County Circuit Court) and/or related cases.	\$50,000	9/02/2022 - 9/02/2023	Yes		
Franczek P.C., Sally Scott	Consultant retained to provide counsel and legal representation with respect to arbitration, mediation and potential unfair labor practice proceedings relating to collective bargaining matters.	\$100,000	7/01/2023 - 6/30/2024	Yes		
EAG Advising co/ Emily Gunston, Principal	Consultant retained by the Civil Rights Bureau to provide technical and professional analysis of policing practices and related activities undertaken by the Joliet Police Department.	\$25,000	3/11/2024 - 6/30/2024	Yes		
Gregory T. Gundlach, J.D., Ph.D.	Consultant retained by Special Litigation Bureau to provide consulting and expert testimony related to litigation defending the Firearms Industry Responsibility Act.	\$30,000	9/01/2023 - 6/30/2024	Yes		
Stephen Hargarten	Consultant retained by Public Interest Division to provide consulting and expert witness services related to assault weapons/large capacity magazine litigation in federal and state court	\$30,000	7/01/2023 - 6/30/2024	Yes		
Margaret Harwell, JD	Consultant retained by Special Litigation Bureau to provide assistance as a gender bias expert with regard to an ongoing investigation.	\$20,000	7/01/2023 - 6/30/2024	Yes		
Dr. Paul Heaton, PsyD	Bureau to conduct evaluations to determine if certain individuals meet the statutory criteria for	\$60,000 (original) \$100,000 (after amendment)	7/01/2023 - 6/30/2024	Yes		

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Industrial Economics, Incorporated	Consultant retained by Environmental Bureau to provide expert consulting and testimony related to the benefit of noncompliance realized by defendant 401 N. Wabash Venture, LLC d/b/a Trump International Hotel & Tower, case no. 2018-CH-10229 (Cook County, IL)	\$40,000	1/24/2024 - 12/31/2024	Yes		
Imaginary Landscape, LLC	Consultant retained by Public Interest Division to develop website and related public-facing materials for Joliet Police Department matter.	\$50,000	10/10/2023 - 6/30/2024	Yes		
JND eDiscovery, LLC	E-Discovery firm retained by Consumer Fraud Bureau to host litigation review platform with respect to pending litigation.	\$75,000	7/01/2023 - 6/30/2024	Yes		
JND eDiscovery, LLC	E-Discovery firm retained by General Law Bureau to host litigation review platform with respect to pending litigation.	\$125,000	7/01/2023 - 6/30/2024	Yes		
JND eDiscovery, LLC	E-Discovery firm retained by Environmental Law Bureau to host litigation review platform with respect to pending litigation.	\$85,000	7/01/2023 - 6/30/2024	Yes		
JND eDiscovery, LLC	E-Discovery firm retained by Civil Rights Bureau to host litigation review platform with respect to pending litigation.	\$50,000	7/01/2023 - 6/30/2024	Yes		
JND eDiscovery, LLC	E-Discovery firm retained by Special Litigation Bureau to host litigation review platform with respect to pending litigation.	\$175,000 (original) \$335,000 (after amendment)	7/01/2023 - 6/30/2024 (original) 1/22/2024 - 6/30/2024 (amendment)	Yes		
Louis Klarevas	Consultant retained by Public Interest Division to provide consulting and expert witness services related to assault weapons/large capacity magazine litigation in federal and state court	\$30,000 (original) \$100,000 (after 1st amendment) \$120,000 (after 2nd amendment)	7/01/2023 - 6/30/2024	Yes		
Barry M. Leavitt, PsyD & Associates, LLC	Consultant retained by Sexually Violent Persons Bureau to conduct evaluations to determine if certain individuals meet the statutory criteria for commitment, require treatment in a secure setting, or may be conditionally released.	\$175,000 (original) \$235,000 (after amendment)	7/01/2023 - 6/30/2024	Yes		

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Peter Lucier	Consultant retained by Public Interest Division to provide consulting and expert witness services related to assault weapons/large capacity magazine litigation in federal and state court	\$30,000	4/29/2024 - 6/30/2025	Yes		
Michael Lynch Invictus Intelligence Services, LLC	Consultant retained by the Civil Rights Bureau to provide technical and professional analysis of policing practices and related activities undertaken by the Joliet Police Department.	\$15,000	7/01/2023 - 6/30/2024	Yes		
Miner, Barnhill & Galland, P.C.	Law firm retained by Civil Rights Bureau to monitor consent decrees issued in <i>People of the</i> <i>State of Illinois, et al. v. Xing Ying Employment</i> <i>Agency et al.</i> (Case No. 1:15-cv-10235).	not to exceed \$50,000	2/26/2024 - 6/30/2024	Yes		
National Economic Research Associates, Inc.	Consultant retained by Public Interest Division to provide expert testimony in connection with litigation concerning the constitutionality of sections 24-1.9 and 24-1.10 of the Criminal Code.	\$150,000	3/25/2024 - 6/30/2024	Yes		
National Opinion Research Center	Consultant retained by Special Litigation Bureau to provide professional and consulting services relating to a pattern or practice of excessive force, bias policing, and other unconstitutional practices with respect to the Joliet Police Department.	\$25,000 not to exceed \$50,000 (after amendment)	7/01/2023 - 6/30/2024	Yes		
Deborah Nicolai, PsyD.	Consultant retained by Sexually Violent Persons Bureau to conduct evaluations to determine if certain individuals meet the statutory criteria for commitment, require treatment in a secure setting, or may be conditionally released.	\$130,000 (original) \$185,000 (after amendment)	7/01/2023 - 6/30/2024	Yes		
Rashida Ogletree-George	Consultant retained by Civil Rights Bureau to provide technical and professional analysis of policing practices and related activities undertaken by law enforcement entities within the Joliet Police Department.	\$50,000	10/17/2023 - 6/30/2024	Yes		

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Optimal Energy, Inc.	Consultant retained by Public Utilities Bureau to provide consulting and expert witness testimony with respect to electric and natural gas energy efficiency and demand response management issues.	\$50,000 (original) \$60,000 (after amendment)	7/01/2023 - 6/30/2024	Yes		
Robert Brucker, Jr., PsyD, LCP Plainfield Forensic Psychological Services, Inc.	Consultant retained by Sexually Violent Persons Bureau to provide training and conduct evaluations to determine if certain individuals meet the statutory criteria for commitment, require treatment in a secure setting, or may be conditionally released or discharged.	\$130,000 (original) \$190,000 (after amendment)	7/01/2023 - 6/30/2024	Yes		
Brennan Rivas	Consultant retained by the Special Litigation Bureau to provide assistance with legal history and research in the Schoenthal v. Raoul matter.	not to exceed \$40,000	7/01/2023 - 6/30/2024	Yes		
Randolph A. Roth	Consultant retained by Public Interest Division to provide consulting and expert witness services related to assault weapons/large capacity magazine litigation in federal and state court.	not to exceed \$30,000	7/01/2023 - 6/30/2024	Yes		
Dr. Joshua Salzmann	Consultant retained by the Special Litigation Bureau to provide assistance with legal history and research in the Schoenthal v. Raoul matter.	\$50,000	7/01/2023 - 6/30/2024	Yes		
Allison Schechter, PsyD, P.C.	Consultant retained by Sexually Violent Persons Bureau to conduct evaluations to determine if certain individuals meet the statutory criteria for commitment, require treatment in a secure setting, or may be conditionally released.	\$15,000 (original) \$35,000 (after amendment)	3/11/2024 - 6/30/2024	Yes		
Martin A. Schreiber	Consultant retained by Public Interest Division to provide consulting and expert witness services related to assault weapons/large capacity magazine litigation in federal and state court.	\$30,000	7/01/2023 - 6/30/2024	Yes		
Robert J. Spitzer	Consultant retained by Public Interest Division to provide consulting and expert witness services related to assault weapons/large capacity magazine litigation in federal and state court.	\$30,000	7/01/2023 - 6/30/2024	Yes		

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Angeline Stanislaus, M.D.	Consultant retained by Sexually Violent Persons Bureau to conduct evaluations to determine whether individuals meet the statutory definition of sexually violent persons under the Sexually Violent Persons Commitment Act.	\$175,000	7/01/2023 - 6/30/2024	Yes		1
Roger Stone	Consultant retained by Revenue Litigation Bureau to assist with reviewing grant contracts, expenditures, bank records, grant reporting to the State, applicable policies, charge codes and propriety of expenditures, preparing litigation related materials as required, and testifying in bankruptcy adversary proceedings.	\$14,400	5/15/2024 - 6/30/2025	Yes		
Synapse Energy Economics	Consultant retained by the Public Utilities Bureau to review Commonwealth Edison and Ameren Illinois performance incentive proposals in cases before the ICC.	\$50,000	7/01/2023 - 6/30/2024	Yes		
Danella Group, LLC John S. Thomson, its agent	Consultant retained by the Civil Rights Bureau to provide technical and professional analysis of policing practices and related activities undertaken by the Chicago Police Department and the Joliet Police Department.	not to exceed \$50,000	7/01/2023 - 6/30/2024	Yes		
David Thornton, PhD	Consultant retained by Sexually Violent Persons Bureau to assist with diagnostic and risk assessment issues in civil commitment cases, to provide training, to assist with trial preparation and to testify regarding the general acceptance of various mental disorders in civil commitment cases.	\$50,000 -	7/01/2023 - 6/30/2024	Yes		
Col. Craig Tucker	Consultant retained by Public Interest Division to provide consulting and expert witness services related to assault weapons/large capacity magazine litigation in federal and state court	\$30,000	5/20/2024 - 6/30/2025	Yes		
Homer D. Venters, MD	Consultant retained by the Civil Rights Bureau to provide expert consulting and serve as subject matter expert in an investigation into the Iroquois County Jail.	\$50,000	9/2/2023 - 6/30/2024	Yes		

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Rod Walker & Associates Consultancy	Consultant retained by Public Utilities Bureau to provide expert consulting services regarding issues pending with the ICC.	\$80,000 (original) \$120,000 (after amendment)	6/12/2023 - 6/30/2024	Yes		
Washington Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights and Urban Affairs exclusively by and through Jonathan Smith, its Executive Director	Consultant retained by Civil Rights Bureau to provide technical and professional analysis of policing practices and related activities undertaken by law enforcement entities within the City of Chicago.	\$75,000	7/01/2023 - 6/30/2024	Yes		
James Yurgealitis	Consultant retained by Public Interest Division to provide consulting and expert witness services related to assault weapons/large capacity magazine litigation in federal and state court	\$30,000.00	7/19/2023 - 6/30/2024	Yes		
Dr. Ronald Zec	Consultant retained by MCFU to provide expert testimony for People v. Jaimes Royer.	\$20,000	3/01/2024 - 6/30/2024	Yes		