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October 28, 2024

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 | | |
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| 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 | | |