

County of Park, Colorado
AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

Project/Services Name: AWH Family Law LLC

THIS AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES (“Agreement”) is made and entered into by and between the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Park, a body politic organized and existing by virtue of the laws of the State of Colorado, whose address is 856 Castello Avenue, P.O. Box 1373, Fairplay, Colorado 80440 (the “County”), and AWH Family Law LLC, a contractor with offices at 8310 South Valley Highway, Suite 300, Englewood CO 80112 (“Contractor”) (each individually a “Party” and collectively the “Parties”).

RECITALS

WHEREAS, the County requires certain professional services as more fully described in **Exhibit A**; and

WHEREAS, Contractor represents that it has the requisite expertise and experience to perform the professional services; and

WHEREAS, the County desires to contract with the Contractor subject to the terms of this Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, for the consideration hereinafter set forth, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the Parties agree as follows:

I. SCOPE OF SERVICES

A. Services. Contractor shall furnish all labor and materials required for the complete and prompt execution and performance of all duties, obligations, and responsibilities which are described or reasonably implied from the Scope of Services set forth in **Exhibit A**, attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference (the “Services” or “Scope of Services”). The Parties recognize and acknowledge that, although the County has requested certain general services to be performed or certain work product to be produced, the Contractor has offered to the County the process, procedures, terms, and conditions under which the Contractor plans and proposes to achieve or produce the services and/or work product(s) and the County, through this Agreement, has accepted such process, procedures, terms, and conditions as binding on the Parties.

B. Changes to Services or Equipment. A change in the Scope of Services shall not be effective unless authorized through a written amendment to this Agreement signed by both Parties. If Contractor proceeds without such written authorization, Contractor shall be deemed to have waived any claim for additional compensation, including a claim based on the theory of unjust enrichment, quantum meruit or implied contract. Except as expressly provided herein or as otherwise provided in writing by the County, no agent, employee, or representative of the County is authorized to modify any term of this Agreement.

C. Duty to Inform. The Contractor shall perform the Services in accordance with this Agreement and shall promptly inform the County concerning ambiguities and uncertainties related to the Contractor's performance that are not addressed by the Agreement.

D. Time of Performance. The Contractor shall perform all Services in accordance with this Agreement commencing on the Effective Date, as set forth in Section II of this Agreement, until such Services are terminated or suspended in accordance with this Agreement. The Contractor shall not temporarily delay, postpone, or suspend the performance of the Services without the written consent of the Board of County Commissioners, County Manager, or a person expressly authorized in writing to direct the Contractor's services. Contractor agrees that failure to complete any of the Services during the term of this Agreement, or as may be more specifically set forth in **Exhibit A**, shall be deemed a breach of hereof.

II. TERM AND TERMINATION

A. Term. This Agreement shall commence on March 1, 2026 (the "Effective Date") and shall continue until February 28, 2027 or until terminated as provided herein ("Termination Date"). The Parties may mutually agree in writing to extend the term of this Agreement, subject to annual appropriation.

B. County Unilateral Termination. This Agreement may be terminated by the County for any or no reason upon written notice delivered to the Contractor at least ten (10) days prior to termination. In the event of the County's exercise of the right of unilateral termination as provided by this paragraph:

1. Unless otherwise provided in any notice of termination, the Contractor shall provide no further services in connection with this Agreement after Contractor's receipt of a notice of termination; and

2. The Contractor shall deliver all finished or unfinished documents, data, studies and reports prepared by the Contractor pursuant to this Agreement to the County and such documents, data, studies, and reports shall become the property of the County; and

3. The Contractor shall submit to the County a final accounting and final invoice of charges for all outstanding and unpaid Services and reimbursable expenses performed prior to the Contractor's receipt of notice of termination and for any services authorized to be performed by the notice of termination as provided by Section II.B of this Agreement. The Contractor shall deliver such final accounting and final invoice to the County within thirty (30) days of the date of termination; thereafter, the County shall not accept and Contractor shall not submit any other invoice, bill, or other form of statement of charges owing to the Contractor.

C. Termination for Non-Performance. Should a party to this Agreement fail to materially perform in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement, this Agreement may be terminated by the performing party if the performing party first provides written notice to the non-performing party. Such notice shall specify the non-performance, provide a demand to cure the non-performance and reasonable time to cure the non-performance, and state a date upon

which the Agreement shall be terminated if there is a failure to timely cure the non-performance. For purpose of this Section II.C, “reasonable time” shall not be less than five (5) business days. In the event of a failure to timely cure a non-performance and upon the date of the resulting termination for non-performance, the Contractor shall prepare a final accounting and final invoice of charges for all performed but unpaid Services and any reimbursable expenses authorized by this Agreement. Such final accounting and final invoice shall be delivered to the County within fifteen (15) days of the Termination Date contained in the written notice. Thereafter, the County shall not accept and Contractor shall not submit any other invoice, bill, or other form of statement of charges owing to the Contractor. Provided that notice of non-performance is provided in accordance with this Section II.C, nothing in this Section II.C shall prevent, preclude, or limit any claim or action for default or breach of contract resulting from non-performance by a Party.

D. Suspension of Services. The County may suspend the Contractor’s performance of the Services at the County’s discretion and for any reason by delivery of written notice of suspension to the Contractor which notice shall state a specific date of suspension. Upon Contractor’s receipt of such notice of suspension from the County, the Contractor shall immediately cease performance of the Services on the date of suspension except: (1) as may be specifically authorized by the notice of suspension (e.g., to secure the work area from damage due to weather or to complete a specific report or study); or (2) for the submission of an invoice for Services performed prior to the date of suspension in accordance with this Agreement. Contractor shall not re-commence performance of the Services until it receives written notice of re-commencement from the County.

E. Delivery of Notices. Any notice permitted by this Section II and its subsections shall be addressed to the County Representative or the Contractor Representative at the address set forth in Section XII.D of this Agreement or such other address as either Party may notify the other of and shall be deemed given upon delivery if personally delivered, or forty-eight (48) hours after deposited in the United States mail, postage prepaid, registered or certified mail, return receipt requested.

III. REPRESENTATIVES AND SUPERVISION

A. County Representative. The County representative responsible for oversight of this Agreement and the Contractor’s performance of Services hereunder shall be the County Manager or his or her designee (“County Representative”). The County Representative shall act as the County’s primary point of contact with the Contractor.

B. Contractor Representative. The Contractor representative under this Agreement shall be Shay Taylor (“Contractor Representative”). The Contractor Representative shall act as the Contractor’s primary point of contact with the County. The Contractor shall not designate another person to be the Contractor Representative without prior written notice to the County.

C. County Supervision. The Contractor shall provide all Services with little or no daily supervision by County staff or other contractors. Inability or failure of the Contractor to perform with little or no daily supervision which results in the County’s need to allocate resources in time or expense for daily supervision shall constitute a material breach of this Agreement and

be subject to cure or remedy, including possible termination of the Agreement, as provided in this Agreement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the County reserves the right to monitor and evaluate the progress and performance of Contractor to ensure the terms of this Agreement are being satisfactorily met in accordance with the County's and other applicable monitoring and evaluating criteria and standards. Contractor shall cooperate with the County relating to such monitoring and evaluation.

IV. COMPENSATION

A. Not-to-Exceed Amount. Following execution of this Agreement by the Parties, the Contractor shall be authorized to and shall commence performance of the Services as described in **Exhibit A**, subject to the requirements and limitations on compensation as provided by this Section IV and its subsections. Compensation to be paid hereunder shall not exceed Eighty Five Thousand Dollars (\$85,000) ("Not-to-Exceed Amount") unless a larger amount is agreed to by and between the Parties in accordance with the amendment requirements of this Agreement. Notwithstanding the amount specified in this Section, Contractor shall be paid only for work performed. Contractor shall not be paid until tasks identified in the Scope of Services are performed to the satisfaction of the County. In consideration for the completion of the Scope of Services by Contractor, the County shall pay Contractor as follows:

- If this box is checked, the County shall pay Contractor on a time and materials basis in accordance with the rate schedule shown in **Exhibit B**. This amount shall include all fees, costs and expenses incurred by Contractor, and no additional amounts shall be paid by the County for such fees, costs and expenses. Final payment may be requested by the Contractor upon completion and the County's acceptance of all work or Services as set forth in **Exhibit A**.
- If this box is checked, the County shall pay the Contractor the Not-to-Exceed Amount in a single lump sum payment on [inser date here] .

B. Invoicing. The County shall make payments to Contractor in accordance with subsection A of this section IV within thirty (30) days after receipt and approval of invoices submitted by Contractor. If payment is on a time and materials basis, Contractor shall submit invoices to the County no more frequently than monthly and shall identify the specific Services performed for which payment is requested.

C. Receipts. The County, before making any payment, may require the Contractor to furnish at no additional charge releases or receipts from any or all persons performing work under this Agreement or services to the Contractor, or any subcontractor if this is deemed necessary to protect the County's interest. The County, however, may in its discretion make payment in part or full to the Contractor without requiring the furnishing of such releases or receipts.

D. Reimbursable Expenses.

1. If this Agreement is for lump sum compensation, there shall be no reimbursable expenses.

2. If the Agreement is for compensation based on a time and materials basis, the following shall be considered “reimbursable expenses” for purposes of this Agreement and may be billed to the County without administrative mark-up, which must be accounted for by the Contractor, and proof of payment shall be provided by the Contractor with the Contractor’s monthly invoices:

- None
- Vehicle Mileage (billed at not more than the prevailing per mile charge permitted by the IRS as a tax deductible business expense)
- Printing and Photocopying Related to the Services (billed at actual cost)
- Long Distance Telephone Charges Related to the Services
- Postage and Delivery Services
- Lodging and Meals (but only with prior written approval of the County as to dates and maximum amount)
- Reimbursable Costs as defined in **Exhibit B**, Section 1.2

3. Other Expenses. Any fee, cost, charge, or expense incurred by the Contractor not otherwise specifically authorized by this Agreement shall be deemed a non-reimbursable cost that shall be borne by the Contractor and shall not be billed or invoiced to the County and shall not be paid by the County.

E. No Waiver. The County's review, approval or acceptance of, or payment for any services shall not be construed to operate as a waiver of any rights under this Agreement or of any cause of action arising out of the performance of this Agreement.

VI. PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY

A. General. Contractor hereby warrants that it is qualified to assume the responsibilities and render the services described herein and has all requisite corporate authority and professional licenses in good standing required by law.

B. Standard of Performance. The work performed by Contractor shall be in accordance with generally accepted professional practices and the level of competency presently maintained by other practicing professional firms in the same or similar type of work in the applicable community. The work and services to be performed by Contractor hereunder shall be done in compliance with applicable laws, ordinances, rules and regulations.

C. Subcontractors. The Parties recognize and agree that subcontractors may be utilized by the Contractor for the performance of certain Services if and as described more particularly in **Exhibit A**; however, the engagement or use of subcontractors will not relieve or excuse the Contractor from performance of any obligations imposed in accordance with this Agreement and Contractor shall remain solely responsible for ensuring that any subcontractors engaged to perform Services hereunder shall perform such Services in accordance with all terms and conditions of this Agreement. If Contractor engages subcontractors to perform any part of the Services, Contractor shall include section VIII (Indemnification) in any such subcontracts.

VII. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR

A. General. Contractor is an independent contractor. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, all personnel assigned by Contractor to perform work under the terms of this Agreement shall be, and remain at all times, employees or agents of Contractor for all purposes. Contractor shall make no representation that it is a County employee for any purposes.

B. Liability for Employment-Related Rights and Compensation. The Contractor shall be solely responsible for all compensation, benefits, insurance and employment-related rights of any person providing Services hereunder during the course of or arising or accruing as a result of any employment, whether past or present, with the Contractor, as well as all legal costs including attorney's fees incurred in the defense of any conflict or legal action resulting from such employment or related to the corporate amenities of such employment. The Contractor will comply with all laws, regulations, municipal codes, and ordinances and other requirements and standards applicable to the Contractor's employees, including, without limitation, federal and state laws governing wages and overtime, equal employment, safety and health, employees' citizenship, withholdings, reports and record keeping. Accordingly, the County shall not be called upon to assume any liability for or direct payment of any salaries, wages, contribution to pension funds, insurance premiums or payments, workers' compensation benefits or any other amenities of employment to any of the Contractor's employees or any other liabilities whatsoever, unless otherwise specifically provided herein.

C. Insurance Coverage and Employment Benefits. The County will not include the Contractor as an insured under any policy the County has for itself. The County shall not be obligated to secure nor provide any insurance coverage or employment benefits of any kind or type to or for the Contractor or the Contractor's employees, sub-consultants, subcontractors, agents, or representatives, including but not limited to coverage or benefits related to: local, state, or federal income or other tax contributions, FICA, workers' compensation, unemployment compensation, medical insurance, life insurance, paid vacations, paid holidays, pension or retirement account contributions, profit sharing, professional liability insurance, or errors and omissions insurance. The following disclosure is provided in accordance with Colorado law:

CONTRACTOR ACKNOWLEDGES THAT NEITHER IT NOR ITS AGENTS OR EMPLOYEES ARE ENTITLED TO UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE BENEFITS UNLESS CONTRACTOR OR SOME ENTITY OTHER THAN THE COUNTY PROVIDES SUCH BENEFITS. CONTRACTOR FURTHER ACKNOWLEDGES THAT NEITHER IT NOR ITS AGENTS OR EMPLOYEES ARE ENTITLED TO WORKERS' COMPENSATION BENEFITS. CONTRACTOR ALSO ACKNOWLEDGES THAT IT IS OBLIGATED TO PAY FEDERAL AND STATE INCOME TAX ON ANY MONEYS EARNED OR PAID PURSUANT TO THIS AGREEMENT.

D. Employee Benefits Claims. To the maximum extent permitted by law, the Contractor waives all claims against the County for any Employee Benefits; the Contractor will defend the County from any claim and will indemnify the County against any liability for any Employee Benefits for the Contractor imposed on the County; and the Contractor will reimburse

the County for any award, judgment, or fine against the County based on the position the Contractor was ever the County's employee, and all attorneys' fees and costs the County reasonably incurs defending itself against any such liability.

VIII. INSURANCE

A. General. During the term of this Agreement, the Contractor shall obtain and shall continuously maintain, at the Contractor's expense, insurance of the kind and in the minimum amounts specified as follows by checking the appropriate boxes:

- The Contractor shall obtain and maintain the types, forms, and coverage(s) of insurance deemed by the Contractor to be sufficient to meet or exceed the Contractor's minimum statutory and legal obligations arising under this Agreement ("Contractor Insurance"); OR
- The Contractor shall secure and maintain the following ("Required Insurance"):
 - Worker's Compensation insurance in the minimum amount required by applicable law for all employees and other persons as may be required by law.
 - Comprehensive General Liability insurance with minimum combined single limits of One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00) each occurrence and of Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000.00) aggregate. The policy shall be applicable to all premises and all operations of the Contractor. The policy shall include coverage for bodily injury, broad form property damage (including completed operations), personal injury (including coverage for contractual and employee acts), blanket contractual, independent contractors, products, and completed operations. The policy shall contain a severability of interests provision. Coverage shall be provided on an "occurrence" basis as opposed to a "claims made" basis. Such insurance shall be endorsed to name the County as Certificate Holder and name the County, and its elected officials, officers, employees and agents as additional insured parties.
 - Comprehensive Automobile Liability insurance with minimum combined single limits for bodily injury and property damage of not less than One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00) each occurrence with respect to each of the Contractor's owned, hired and non-owned vehicles assigned to or used in performance of the Services. The policy shall contain a severability of interests provision. Such insurance coverage must extend to all levels of subcontractors. Such coverage must include all automotive equipment used in the performance of the Services, both on the work site and off the work site, and such coverage shall include non-ownership and hired cars coverage. Such insurance shall be endorsed to name the County as

Certificate Holder and name the County, and its elected officials, officers, employees and agents as additional insured parties.

- Professional Liability (errors and omissions) insurance with a minimum limit of coverage of One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00) per claim and Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000) aggregate. Such policy of insurance shall be obtained and maintained for one (1) year following completion of all Services under this Agreement. Such policy of insurance shall be endorsed to include the County as a Certificate Holder.

B. Additional Requirements. Such insurance shall be in addition to any other insurance requirements imposed by law. The coverages afforded under the policies shall not be canceled, terminated or materially changed without at least thirty (30) days prior written notice to the County. In the case of any claims-made policy, the necessary retroactive dates and extended reporting periods shall be procured to maintain such continuous coverage. Any insurance carried by the County, its officers, its employees, or its contractors shall be excess and not contributory insurance to that provided by Contractor. Contractor shall be solely responsible for any deductible losses under any policy. For any and all insurance policies required hereunder, Contractor shall waive subrogation rights against the County.

C. Insurance Certificates. Contractor shall provide the County a certificate of insurance and all endorsement required hereunder as evidence that the required policies are in full force and effect prior to the commencement of the Services. The certificate shall identify the Project/Services Name as set forth on the first page of this Agreement.

D. Failure to Obtain or Maintain Insurance. The Contractor's failure to obtain and continuously maintain policies of insurance shall not limit, prevent, preclude, excuse, or modify any liability, claims, demands, or other obligations of the Contractor arising from performance or non-performance of this Agreement. Failure on the part of the Contractor to obtain and to continuously maintain policies providing the required coverage, conditions, restrictions, notices, and minimum limits shall constitute a material breach of this Agreement upon which the County may immediately terminate this Agreement, or, at its discretion, the County may procure or renew any such policy or any extended reporting period thereto and may pay any and all premiums in connection therewith. All monies paid by the County, together with an additional five percent (5%) administrative fee, shall be repaid by the Contractor to the County immediately upon demand by the County. At the County's sole discretion, the County may offset the cost of the premiums against any monies due to the Contractor from the County pursuant to this Agreement.

IX. INDEMNIFICATION

A. Contractor agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the County and its officers, insurers, volunteers, representatives, agents, employees, and assigns from and against all claims, liability, damages, losses, expenses and demands, including attorney fees, on account of injury, loss, or damage, including without limitation claims arising from bodily injury, personal injury, sickness, disease, death, property loss or damage, or any other loss of any kind whatsoever, which arise out of or are in any manner connected with this Agreement if such injury, loss, or damage is

caused in whole or in part by, the act, omission, error, professional error, mistake, negligence, or other fault of Contractor, any subcontractor of Contractor, or any officer, employee, representative, or agent of Contractor, or which arise out of a worker's compensation claim of any employee of Contractor or of any employee of any subcontractor of Contractor. Contractor's liability under this indemnification provision shall be to the fullest extent of, but shall not exceed, that amount represented by the degree or percentage of negligence or fault attributable to Contractor, any subcontractor of Contractor, or any officer, employee, representative, or agent of Contractor or of any subcontractor of Contractor.

B. If Contractor is providing architectural, engineering, surveying or other design services under this Agreement, the extent of Contractor's obligation to indemnify and hold harmless the County may be determined only after Contractor's liability or fault has been determined by adjudication, alternative dispute resolution or otherwise resolved by mutual agreement between the Parties, as provided by C.R.S. § 13-50.5-102(8)(c).

X. RESERVED

XI. REMEDIES

A. In addition to any other remedies provided for in this Agreement, and without limiting its remedies available at law, the County may exercise the following remedial actions if the Contractor substantially fails to perform the duties and obligations of this Agreement. Substantial failure to perform the duties and obligations of this Agreement shall mean a significant, insufficient, incorrect, or improper performance, activities or inactions by the Contractor. The remedial actions the County may take include:

1. Suspend the Contractor's performance pending necessary corrective action as specified by the County without the Contractor's entitlement to an adjustment in any charge, fee, rate, price, cost, or schedule; and/or

2. Withhold payment to the Contractor until the necessary services or corrections in performance are satisfactorily completed; and/or

3. Deny payment for those services which have not been satisfactorily performed, and which, due to circumstances caused by the Contractor, cannot be performed, or if performed would be of no value to the County; and/or

4. Terminate this Agreement in accordance with this Agreement.

B. The foregoing remedies are cumulative and the County, in its sole discretion, may exercise any or all of the remedies individually or simultaneously.

XII. RECORDS AND OWNERSHIP

A. Retention and Open Records Act Compliance. Contractor hereby acknowledges that the County is a public entity subject to the Colorado Open Records Act, C.R.S. § 24-72-101

et seq. (“CORA”). As such, this Agreement may be subject to public disclosure under CORA. Furthermore, all records of the Contractor related to the provision of Services hereunder, including public records as defined in CORA, and records produced or maintained in accordance with this Agreement, are to be retained and stored in accordance with the County’s records retention and disposal policies. Those records which constitute “public records” under CORA are to be at the County offices or accessible and opened for public inspection in accordance with CORA and County policies. Public records requests for such records shall be processed in accordance with County policies. Contractor agrees to allow access by the County and the public to all documents subject to disclosure under applicable law. Contractor’s willful failure or refusal to comply with the provisions of this Section shall result in the immediate termination of this Agreement by the County. Nothing contained herein shall limit the Contractor’s right to defend against disclosure of records alleged to be public.

B. County’s Right of Inspection. The County shall have the right to request that the Contractor provide to the County a list of all records of the Contractor related to the provision of Services hereunder retained by the Contractor in accordance with this subsection and the location and method of storage of such records. Contractor agrees to allow inspection at reasonable times by the County of all documents and records produced or maintained in accordance with this Agreement.

C. Ownership. Any work product, materials, and documents produced by the Contractor pursuant to this Agreement shall become property of the Park County upon delivery and shall not be made subject to any copyright by the Contractor unless authorized by the County. Other materials, statistical data derived from other clients and other client projects, software, methodology and proprietary work used or provided by the Contractor to the County not specifically created and delivered pursuant to the Services outlined in this Agreement shall not be owned by the County and may be protected by a copyright held by the Contractor and the Contractor reserves all rights granted to it by any copyright. The County shall not reproduce, sell, or otherwise make copies of any copyrighted material, subject to the following exceptions: (1) for exclusive use internally by County staff and/or employees; or (2) pursuant to a request under CORA, to the extent that such statute applies; or (3) pursuant to law, regulation, or court order. The Contractor waives any right to prevent its name from being used in connection with the Services. The Contractor may publicly state that it performs the Services for the County.

D. Return of Records to County. At the County’s request, upon expiration or termination of this Agreement, all records of the Contractor related to the provision of Services hereunder, including public records as defined in the CORA, and records produced or maintained in accordance with this Agreement, are to be returned to the County in a reasonable format and with an index as determined and requested by the County.

XIII. MISCELLANEOUS

A. Governing Law and Venue. This Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of Colorado, and any legal action concerning the provisions hereof shall be brought in Park County, Colorado.

B. No Waiver. Delays in enforcement or the waiver of any one or more defaults or breaches of this Agreement by the County shall not constitute a waiver of any of the other terms or obligations of this Agreement.

C. Integration. This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the Parties, superseding all prior oral or written communications.

D. Notice. Unless otherwise provided in this Agreement, any notice under this Agreement shall be in writing, and shall be deemed sufficient when directly presented or sent via pre-paid, first class United States Mail, to the party at the address set forth below.

<u>If to the County:</u>	<u>If to Contractor:</u>
Park County Attn: County Manager 856 Castello Avenue P.O. Box 1373 Fairplay, CO 80440	Contractor's Name Attn: Angela R. Whitford AWH Family Law LLC 8310 S Valley HWY, Ste 300 Englewood, CO 80112
With Copy to: Park County Attorney Michow Guckenberger McAskin LLP 5299 DTC Boulevard, Suite 300 Greenwood Village, CO 80111	With Copy to:

E. Severability. If any provision of this Agreement is found by a court of competent jurisdiction to be unlawful or unenforceable for any reason, the remaining provisions hereof shall remain in full force and effect.

F. Modification. This Agreement may only be modified upon written agreement signed by the Parties.

G. Assignment. Neither this Agreement nor any of the rights or obligations of the Parties hereto, shall be assigned by either Party without the written consent of the other.

H. Affirmative Action. The Contractor warrants that it will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex or national origin. The Contractor warrants that it will take affirmative action to ensure applicants are employed, and employees are treated during employment without regard to their race, color, religion, sex or national origin. Such action shall include, but not be limited to the following: employment, upgrading, demotion or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship.

I. Governmental Immunity. The County, its officers, and its employees, are relying on, and do not waive or intend to waive by any provision of this Agreement, the monetary limitations or any other rights, immunities, and protections provided by the Colorado Governmental Immunity Act, C.R.S. § 24-10-101, *et seq.*, as amended (“CGIA”), or otherwise available to the County and its officers or employees.

J. Rights and Remedies. In the event of a breach of this Agreement by Contractor, the County shall have the right, but not the obligation, to obtain specific performance of the Services. In addition, if the County terminates this Agreement, in whole or in part, due to a breach by Contractor, Contractor shall be liable for actual and consequential damages to the County. The rights and remedies of the County under this Agreement are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law. The expiration of this Agreement shall in no way limit the County's legal or equitable remedies, or the period in which such remedies may be asserted.

K. Annual Appropriation. Consistent with Article X, § 20 of the Colorado Constitution, any financial obligation of the County not performed during the current fiscal year is subject to annual appropriation, and thus any obligations of the County hereunder shall extend only to monies currently appropriated and shall not constitute a mandatory charge, requirement, debt or liability beyond the current fiscal year.

L. Binding Effect. The Parties agree that this Agreement, by its terms, shall be binding upon the successors, heirs, legal representatives, and assigns; provided that this Section XII shall not authorize assignment.

M. No Third-Party Beneficiaries. Nothing contained in this Agreement is intended to or shall create a contractual relationship with, cause of action in favor of, or claim for relief for, any third party, including any agent, sub-consultant or subcontractor of Contractor. Absolutely no third-party beneficiaries are intended by this Agreement. Any third party receiving a benefit from this Agreement is an incidental and unintended beneficiary only.

N. Release of Information. The Contractor shall not, without the prior written approval of the County, release any privileged or confidential information obtained in connection with the Services or this Agreement.

O. Attorneys' Fees. If the Contractor breaches this Agreement, then it shall pay the County's reasonable costs and attorney's fees incurred in the enforcement of the terms, conditions, and obligations of this Agreement.

P. Survival. The provisions of Sections VII (Independent Contractor), VIII (Insurance), IX (Indemnification) and XIII (A) (Governing Law and Venue), (J) (Rights and Remedies), (K) Annual Appropriation), (N) (Release of Information) and (O) Attorneys' Fees, shall survive the expiration or termination of this Agreement. Any additional terms and conditions of the Agreement that require continued performance, compliance, or effect beyond the termination date of the Agreement shall survive such termination date and shall be enforceable in the event of a failure to perform or comply.

Q. Agreement Controls. In the event a conflict exists between this Agreement and any term in any exhibit attached or incorporated into this Agreement, the terms in this Agreement shall supersede the terms in such exhibit.

R. Force Majeure. Neither the Contractor nor the County shall be liable for any delay in, or failure of performance of, any covenant or promise contained in this Agreement, nor shall any delay or failure constitute default or give rise to any liability for damages if, and only to extent that, such delay or failure is caused by “force majeure.” As used in this Agreement, “force majeure” means acts of God, acts of the public enemy, acts of terrorism, unusually severe weather, fires, floods, epidemics, quarantines, strikes, labor disputes and freight embargoes, to the extent such events were not the result of, or were not aggravated by, the acts or omissions of the non-performing or delayed party.

S. Protection of Personal Identifying Information. In the event the Services include or require the County to disclose to Contractor any personal identifying information as defined in C.R.S. § 24-73-101, Contractor shall comply with the applicable requirements of C.R.S. §§ 24-73-101, et seq., relating to third-party services providers.

T. Authority. The individuals executing this Agreement represent that they are expressly authorized to enter into this Agreement on behalf of Park County and the Contractor and bind their respective entities.

U. Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which shall constitute an original and all of which shall constitute one and the same document. In addition, the Parties specifically acknowledge and agree that electronic signatures shall be effective for all purposes, in accordance with the provisions of the Uniform Electronic Transactions Act, Title 24, Article 71.3 of the Colorado Revised Statutes.

V. Web Accessibility Compliance Requirements. Contractor agrees to provide Services in a manner that ensures the County’s full compliance with applicable web accessibility requirements set forth in C.R.S. § 24-34-802 and associated regulations, as may be amended from time to time.

EXHIBIT A
SCOPE OF SERVICES

1.0 Services As directed by the Park County Director of Human Services and the Board of Human Services, the Firm shall perform the following services (hereinafter collectively the "Services"):

1.1 Provide to Park County DHS all necessary professional legal services, advice, and counsel, associated with DHS administration and implementation of the services and programs described in the statutory provisions of the Colorado Department of Human Services, Division of Child Welfare, and other matters of concern to DHS for the term of this Agreement.

1.2 Maintain records (including record of expenses incurred) deemed necessary pursuant to general accounting procedures and practices acceptable to the Colorado Department of Human Services. All records of funds collected and disbursed, and records of costs incurred, shall be made available for audit purposes to United States government agencies, Colorado state agencies and DHS.

1.3 File all motions/petitions/court orders and all other documentation necessary for DHS to conduct Dependency and Neglect (D&N), Juvenile Delinquency (JD) and Adult Protection matters.

1.4 Schedule/attend all court proceedings (telephonically or in person) involving D&N, JD, and Adult Protections matters.

1.5 When necessary, attend and participate in conferences with Park County DHS in preparation for all court hearings involving DHS court proceedings including Dependency and Neglect, adoption and post-adoption hearings, and from time to time JD and Adult Protection matters.

1.6 Conduct all legal preparation activities for D&N court proceedings, adoption and post - adoption hearing, and when called upon, for JD and Adult Protection proceedings.

1.7 Provide legal services to DHS concerning: fraud investigations; state agency administrative hearings, and other legal matters including litigation which are not covered by the County insurance pool.

1.8 Respond to requests for legal representation from the Director of DHS and the Board of County Commissioners.

1.9 At no direct cost to Park County, obtain and maintain professional licenses and insurance as may be required for attorneys within the State of Colorado.

1.10 At the request of the Park County DHS Director, provide formal quarterly consulting and training sessions with DHS staff to support their casework practice.

EXHIBIT B
COMPENSATION

- 1.1 In consideration of and for the performance of the Services, the Attorney shall be compensated in the amount of \$7,083.33 per month, \$85,000 annually as specifically set forth in Section.
- 1.2 For purposes of this Agreement, "Reimbursable Costs" to be paid directly by the County and/or to be reimbursed to the Firm in addition to the compensation set forth in Section III.A. of the Agreement and Section 1.1 above shall include only the following costs and expenses if reasonably comparable to charges imposed by others in the profession and actually incurred by the Firm as accost of performance of the Services: (1) process services fees; (2) docket or filing fees, witness fees, transcription or stenographic fees, and other court or hearing-related fees and expenses customarily incurred in the performance of legal services; (3) mailing and delivery charges provided that no single expense shall exceed \$100.00 without the approval of the Director of Human Services or the Board of Human Services; (4) long distance telephone charges at the rate of the long distance charges; (5) publication costs; (6) facsimile or other electronic document transmission system charges; and (7) any other cost approved by the Director of Human Services or the Board of Human Service prior to the cost being incurred.
- 1.3 The Firm's engagement of any Firms is subject to approval by the Director of Human Services. The Department shall retain and pay directly for any service provider and any expert required to perform services such as parent/child interactional assessments, evaluations or for those experts or individuals required to testify in any case (i.e. therapists, doctors, and/or social workers from other counties).

EXHIBIT C
RESPONSIBILITIES

- 1.0 Firm Responsibilities. The Firm shall:
- 1.1 Perform the Services with a degree of care and skill ordinarily exercised under similar circumstances by members of the same profession practicing in the same locality as the Firm's principal office. The Firm represents to the County that its attorneys are properly licensed within the state of Colorado for the performance of the Services, are admitted to the state courts and any other court or tribunal in which the attorneys may reasonably be expected to appear for purposes of the Services, and possesses the skills, knowledge, and abilities to competently and professionally perform the Services in accordance with this Agreement and the standard set by this paragraph. Failure of any attorney of the Firm to be properly licensed or admitted to necessary courts or tribunals shall constitute a breach of this Agreement by the Firm and shall entitle the County to unilaterally and immediately terminate this Agreement upon the payment in full of compensation and reimbursable expenses earned by the Firm up to and only including the date that Firm failed to hold such license or admission.
- 1.2 Through its attorneys the Firm shall perform the Services, except as otherwise permitted by this Agreement. The Firm may retain and compensate other qualified attorneys (agents) to appear in court or consult with the Department in case of emergency or the unavailability of the attorneys of the Firm due to circumstances beyond the control of the Firm.
- 1.3 Maintain reasonable records and a filing system that permits an efficient and professional transfer of records and matters to the County or another Firm upon termination or expiration of this Agreement.
- 1.4 To the extent required by law, protect the confidentiality of all records and other materials that are maintained in accordance with this Agreement. The Firm shall advise and provide its employees and others acting with or under the supervision of the Firm with a copy or written explanation of the requirement of confidentiality before access to any confidential data is permitted by the Firm.
- 1.5 Adhere to and comply with all applicable federal and state laws, including, but not limited to, the Civil Rights Act of 1964, regulations of the Department of Health, Education and Welfare, and the Social Security Act Monitoring. The Firm shall permit the County, DHS, Colorado Department of Human Services, or the Department of Health, Education and Welfare, and any other duly authorized agent or governmental agency, to monitor all activities conducted by the Firm pursuant to the terms of this Agreement. As the monitoring agency may in its sole discretion deem necessary or procedures, examinations, or any other reasonable procedures. All such monitoring shall be performed in a manner that will not unduly interfere with the performance of the Services.
- 1.6 Bill or invoice DHS on a monthly basis by the 20th of each month following performance of Services under Section III.A. of the Agreement and Exhibit B. Such monthly invoice shall also include an itemization and the substantiating documentation for all Reimbursable Costs that were incurred for the prior month. The Firm shall take reasonable steps to maintain confidentiality of all bills and invoices by clearly marked the

invoices as "confidential-attorney client privilege" or other means of protecting against inadvertent disclosure.

- 2.0 DHS Responsibilities. The Park County DHS shall:
- 2.1 Perform audits and/or inspections of its records at any reasonable time during the term of this Agreement and for a period of five (5) years following the date of final payment under this Agreement, to assure compliance with its terms and/or evaluate the Firm's performance of the Services.
- 2.2 By the Director of Human Services, monitor through staff reports the quality and timeliness of services delivered by the Firm each month.
- 2.3 Timely and attentively respond to inquiries and questions from the Firm and participate as a client of the Firm's in the Firm's representation of DHS and the County.
- 2.4 Authorize payment of the Monthly Contract Payment and Reimbursable Costs after receipt of each billing statement or invoice provided in accordance with this Agreement. The County shall pay the balance stated in the invoice within thirty (30) days of the County's receipt of the invoice, unless the County informs the Firm in writing of objections to the billing statement or invoice within ten (10) days following the County's receipt of the statement or invoice. If the County objects, the Firm will provide sufficient information to substantiate the cost. Any invoiced charge or cost not contested or objected to shall be paid by the County within the specified period. Any invoiced amounts that are not contested by the County and which are outstanding owing after 30 days of the County's receipt of a properly submitted invoice will bear interest at the rate of 1.0% simple interest per month (12% per annum) commencing upon the fifteenth day following the date of the County's receipt of the invoice, until paid. Payment, and any notice permitted or required by this Agreement, shall be deemed made and completed upon hand delivery to the Firm or any employee or designee of the Firm or upon deposit of such payment in the U.S. Mail, postage pre-paid, addressed to the Firm at the address identified for the Firm in this Agreement.