



# *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, MAY 18, 2021 AT THREE O'CLOCK P.M.

On motion of Ms. Callais, seconded by Mrs. Alcon, it was moved to **adopt** the following ordinance:

## **ORDINANCE SBPC #2307-05-21**

### **Summary No. 3884**

Introduced by: Administration on 5/4/21

Public Hearing held on 5/18/21

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 IN THE CASE OF ST. BERNARD FIREFIGHTERS LOCAL 1468, ET AL. V. ST. BERNARD PARISH IN 34<sup>th</sup> J.D.C. NO. 21-0417.

**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. Giambro, III of Blue Williams, L.L.P. to represent their interests in the above matters.

ST. BERNARD PARISH COUNCIL DOES HEREBY ORDAIN:

**SECTION 1.** The St. Bernard Parish Council, the Governing Authority, does hereby approve and authorize the hiring of private counsel to represent St. Bernard Parish Government solely in the case St. Bernard Firefighters Local 1468, et al vs. St. Bernard Parish in 34<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Court Civil No. 21-0417, 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*

**Richard "Richie" Lewis**  
*Councilmember  
at Large*

**Gillis McCloskey**  
*Councilmember  
District A*

**Joshua "Josh" Moran**  
*Councilmember  
District B*

**Howard Luna**  
*Councilmember  
District C*

**Wanda Alcon**  
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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 retention letter 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, Callais


**NAYS:** None

**ABSENT:** McCloskey

**DID NOT VOTE:** Everhardt

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

And the motion was declared **adopted** on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2021.

  
ROXANNE ADAMS  
CLERK OF COUNCIL

  
RICHARD "RICHIE" LEWIS  
COUNCIL CHAIR

Delivered to the Parish President 5/21/2021 10:15am  
Date and Time

Received by

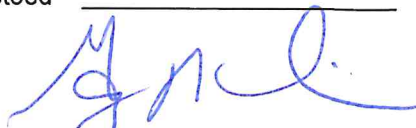
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Approved



Vetoed

Parish President

  
Guy McInnis



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5/27/2021 12:45pm  
Date and Time

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*Councilmember  
District A*

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April 8, 2021

*Via email: jstephens@stbda.org*

Hon. Perry Nicosia  
District Attorney, 34<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Court  
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Attn: Justin Stephens

RE: St. Bernard Firefighters Local 1468, et. al. v. St. Bernard Parish  
34<sup>th</sup> JDC Parish of St. Bernard Docket No. 21-0417 Div. "A"  
Request for Legal Services

Dear Justin:

Please allow this letter to confirm that if retained to represent St. Bernard Parish in the above referenced matter, we will do so 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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