

**TOWNSHIP OF FRANKLIN**  
**R-74-20**

**RESOLUTION APPOINTING SPECIAL LEGAL COUNSEL FOR LABOR  
RELATIONS PURSUANT TO THE LOCAL PUBLIC CONTRACTS LAW**

**WHEREAS**, there exists a need for a Special Legal Counsel for labor relations and employment matters in the Township of Franklin for the purposes of providing the Township Committee of said Township with legal counsel and advise; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5, the Township Committee has determined to award said contract as a fair and open contract; and

**WHEREAS**, funds are or will be available for this purpose; and

**WHEREAS**, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) requires the governing body of a contracting unit to publish a notice in a newspaper authorized by law to publish its legal advertisements, setting forth the nature, duration, service and amount of the contract where such contract is awarded for "professional services".

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Franklin, County of Gloucester, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. That A. MICHAEL BARKER, ESQ.. and the Law Firm of BARKER, GELFAND, JAMES, & SARVAS, 210 New Road Suite 12, Linwood, NJ 08221, is hereby retained as Labor Counsel for the Township of Franklin, to provide counsel, advice and legal services to the officials of said Township for the year 2016.

2. The appropriate officers of the Township of Franklin are hereby authorized to enter into the contract with A. MICHAEL BARKER, ESQ.. and the Law Firm of BARKER, GELFAND, JAMES, & SARVAS for the legal services above specified, for a term of one year.

3. The contract is awarded as a "professional service" under the provision of the Local Public Contracts Law because of the specialized training, education, experience and specialized knowledge needed for this position and pursuant to a "fair and open" process as provided in N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.

4. A notice of the award of this contract shall forthwith be printed once in The South Jersey Times, an official newspaper of the Township of Franklin, authorized by law to publish the legal advertisements of the Township Committee of the Township of Franklin, and further stating that this resolution and the annexed contract are on file and available for public inspection in the Office of the Clerk of the Township of Franklin.

**ADOPTED**, at the Reorganization Meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Franklin on March 24, 2020.

ATTEST:

TOWNSHIP OF FRANKLIN

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**Barbara Freijomil, Municipal Clerk**

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**John Bruno, Mayor**

**CERTIFICATION**

I, Barbara Freijomil, Clerk of the Township of Franklin, in the County of Gloucester, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was presented and duly adopted by the Township Committee at a meeting of the Franklin Township Committee held on March 24, 2020.

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Barbara Freijomil, Municipal Clerk

**AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE  
TOWNSHIP OF FRANKLIN AND A. MICHAEL BARKER, ESQ.UIRE**

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Franklin, hereinafter referred to as "Township", requires the services of Special Legal Counsel for Labor Relations commencing March 24, 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, A. MICHAEL BARKER, ESQ.. and the Law Firm of BARKER, GELFAND, JAMES, & SARVAS, 210 New Road Suite 12, Linwood, NJ 08221, hereinafter referred to as "Special Legal Counsel for Labor Relations" is a licensed attorney in the State of New Jersey, and has agreed to accept the appointment of the Township for the performance of the duties of attorney subject to the following terms and conditions:

**WITNESSETH:**

1. A. MICHAEL BARKER, ESQ.. and the Law Firm of BARKER, GELFAND, JAMES, & SARVAS shall be appointed to represent the Township for a term COMMENCING March 24, 2020, and he shall perform all duties required of a local representative of the Township.

2. During the term of this Agreement, the Special Legal Counsel for Labor Relations shall devote his best efforts to advance the interest of the Township; he shall perform his duties to the best of his ability and in accordance with the Code of Professional Ethics by the New Jersey Supreme Court.

3. The Special Legal Counsel for Labor Relations shall receive a fee of \$150.00 per hour.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have set their hands and seals this 24th day of March 2020.

BARKER, GELFAND, JAMES, & SARVAS

TOWNSHIP OF FRANKLIN

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A. MICHAEL BARKER, ESQ.UIRE

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JOHN BRUNO, MAYOR

ATTEST:

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BARBARA FREIJOMIL, CLERK