

TOWNSHIP OF FRANKLIN  
R-9-2026

RESOLUTION APPOINTING A PROSECUTOR FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF  
FRANKLIN JOINT MUNICIPAL COURT FOR THE YEAR 2026, PURSUANT TO  
LOCAL PUBLIC CONTRACTS LAW (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1, ET SEQ.) AND IN  
ACCORDANCE WITH PUBLIC LAW 1996, c. 95, SECTION 14  
(N.J.S.A. 2B 12-1, ET AL.)

WHEREAS, there exists a need for a Prosecutor in the Township of Franklin for the Franklin Township Joint Municipal Court; 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, the CFO has certified the availability of funds in the amount of \$43,000 which shall be charged against budget line item 6-01-25-275-129 Prosecutor- S&W.

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, Christopher Ross, of the Vigilante Law Firm, 99 North Main St, Mullica Hill, NJ 08062, is hereby retained as Prosecutor for the Township of Franklin for the year 2026 in accordance with Public Law 1996, c. 95 Section 14 (N.J.S.A. 2B 12-1, et al.)
- 2. The appropriate officers of the Township of Franklin are hereby authorized to enter into the contract with, for the legal services above specified, for a one (1) year term commencing January 1, 2026, and to be paid \$43,000.
- 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 Sentinel, 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, setting forth the nature, duration, service and amount of the contract, 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: January 1, 2026

| COMMITTEE MEMBER | MOTION | 2 <sup>nd</sup> | YES | ABSTAIN | NO | ABSENT |
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| J. Bruno         |        |                 |     |         |    |        |
| T. Doyle         |        |                 |     |         |    |        |
| M. Fiorella      |        |                 |     |         |    |        |
| J. Keen          |        |                 |     |         |    |        |
| M. Marsh         |        |                 |     |         |    |        |

Attest: Township of Franklin

Barbara Freijomil, Clerk

John Bruno, Mayor

CERTIFICATION

I, Barbara Freijomil, Clerk of the Township of Franklin, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was presented and duly adopted by the Township Committee at a meeting held on January 1, 2026.

Barbara Freijomil, Clerk