

**AGREEMENT BETWEEN COUNTY OF INYO
AND _____
FOR THE PROVISION OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AS A PUBLIC DEFENDER**

INTRODUCTION

WHEREAS, the County of Inyo (hereinafter referred to as "County") requires professional services for the purpose of providing legal representation before the various courts, for certain qualified indigent persons who fall within any of the following classifications:

1. Criminal defendants brought before the Superior Courts of Inyo County on felony charges (hereinafter referred to as "Felony cases") except those cases where the result may be a sentence of life without parole;
2. Criminal defendants brought before the Superior Courts of Inyo County on misdemeanor charges (hereinafter referred to as "Misdemeanor cases");
3. Minors brought before the Juvenile Court of Inyo County for proceedings under Welfare and Institutions Code Sections 601 and 602 (hereinafter referred to as "Delinquency cases");
4. Minors and/or parents brought before the Superior Court of Inyo County and/or appropriate Courts of Appeal for proceedings under Welfare and Institutions Code section 300 (hereinafter referred to as "Dependency cases");
5. Persons ordered to show cause before the Superior Court of Inyo County re contempt for alleged failure to pay child support or before said court in proceedings to establish paternity and support (hereinafter referred to as "Child Support cases");
6. Persons involuntarily detained by Inyo County for treatment and evaluation pursuant to sections 5150 and 5170 of the Welfare and Institutions Code, or for prolonged subsequent detention pursuant to Welfare and Institutions Code sections 5250, 5260, 5300, 5304 or 6500; or proposed L.P.S. Conservatees and L.P.S. Conservatees brought before the Inyo County Superior Court and/or appropriate Courts of Appeal pursuant to sections 5350 or 5352.1 of the Welfare and Institutions Code; or persons brought before the Inyo County Superior Court and/or appropriate Courts of Appeal for post adjudication of criminal mental health status preceding under Penal Code 1026 et. seq.; Children in proceedings to declare child free from parental custody and control (Family Code section 7861); or indigent parents in proceedings to declare child free from parental custody and control (Family Code section 7860); or indigent non-custodial parents in proceedings to terminate the parent's rights for willful failure to communicate and support (Family Code section 7860); or conservatees, proposed conservatees, or persons alleged to lack legal capacity or unable to retain legal counsel and requesting the appointment of counsel in proceedings to establish a conservatorship or appoint a proposed

conservator, terminate conservatorship, remove the conservator, or obtain an order authorizing removal of a temporary conservatee from the temporary conservatee's place of residence (Probate Code section 1471), [hereinafter all referred to as "Mental Health cases"];

7. Patients for whom the Contractor is appointed the patients rights advocate pursuant to Welfare and Institutions Code Section 5520, by the Inyo County Mental Health Director (hereinafter referred to as "Patient Rights Advocate Cases");
8. Persons brought before the Inyo County Superior Court for determinations and commitments under Welfare and Institutions Code Section 6600 et seq. (hereinafter referred to as "Sexually Violent Predator cases");
9. Persons taking misdemeanor criminal appeals from the Inyo County Superior Court to the Appellate Division of the Superior Court of Inyo County (hereinafter referred to as "Misdemeanor Appeal cases"); and
10. Persons requiring Public Defender representation under the provisions of AB 109.

WHEREAS, the County has by contract divided performance of the required professional services described above, between independent contractors engaged to perform public defender services for the County. The purpose of said contracts for public defender services is to provide competent and effective legal representation to qualified indigent persons appearing before the various courts and to minimize the expenditure of County funds for the payment of private attorneys appearing as public defenders, pro tempore, in cases where the other contract public defenders are unable to appear due to attorney-client and/or time conflicts of interest.

WHEREAS, the County has the need for _____ of _____ (hereinafter referred to as "Contractor") to provide professional legal services as a Public Defender for Inyo County (North and South).

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual promises, covenants, terms, and conditions hereinafter set forth, the County and Contractor agree as follows:

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1. SCOPE OF WORK.

The Contractor shall furnish to the County, upon its request, all of those services and work set forth in the Scope of Work, Attachment A, attached hereto and by reference incorporated herein. Requests by the County to the Contractor to perform under this Agreement will be made by the judges of the Superior Court of Inyo County. Requests to the Contractor for work or services to be performed under this Agreement, will be based upon the County's need for such services. The County makes no guarantee or warranty, of any nature, as to the level or amount of services or work which will be requested or required of the Contractor by the County under this Agreement. County by this Agreement incurs no obligation or requirement to compensate Contractor, over and above that provided for in this Agreement, for the performance of any services or work required to be performed by Contractor under this Agreement.

Services and work provided by the Contractor at the County's request under this Agreement will be performed in a manner consistent with the requirements and standards established by applicable federal, state, and County laws, ordinances, regulations, and resolutions. Such laws, ordinances, regulations, and resolutions include, but are not limited to, those which are referred to in this Agreement.

2. TERM.

A. Initial Term and Options.

The initial term of this Agreement is for a two (2) year and six (6) month period from _____ to _____.

3. CONSIDERATION.

A. Compensation. County shall pay Contractor in accordance with the Schedule of Fees, Attachment B, attached hereto and by reference incorporated herein, for the performance of the services and work described in Attachment A.

B. Travel and Per Diem. Contractor will not be paid or reimbursed travel expenses or per diem for any in-county travel performed by Contractor in providing services and work under this Agreement. County shall reimburse Contractor for Court authorized out-of-county travel expenses and per diem which Contractor incurs in providing work and services under this Agreement. Contractor shall on a case by case basis, and prior to incurring any out-of-County travel expenses or per diem, receive written authorization for Contractor to travel out-of-county on the case from the assigned judge. Properly authorized out-of-county travel and per diem expenses will be reimbursed in the same amount and to the same extent as County reimburses its permanent status employees for such expenses. County reserves the right to deny reimbursement to Contractor for out-of-county travel or per diem expenses which are either in excess of the amounts that may be paid to County's permanent status employees, or which are incurred by Contractor without the prior authorization of the assigned judge.

C. Incidental Expenses. County shall reimburse Contractor in accordance with the Schedule of Fees, Attachment B, for those incidental expenses which are specifically identified in the Schedule of Fees and which are necessarily incurred by the Contractor in providing the services and work under this Agreement. Reimbursement by County for such incidental expenses will be limited to Contractor's actual cost without regard to any administrative or overhead expenses incurred by Contractor in obtaining or utilizing such incidental services or supplies. Reimbursement for actual costs will not exceed the amounts set forth in the Schedule of Fees.

D. No additional consideration. Except as expressly provided in this Agreement, Contractor shall not be entitled to, nor receive, from County, any additional consideration, compensation, salary, wages, or other type of remuneration for any services rendered under this Agreement. Specifically, Contractor shall not be entitled, by virtue of this Agreement, to consideration in the form of overtime, health insurance benefits, retirement benefits, disability retirement benefits, sick leave, vacation time, paid holidays, or other paid leaves of absence of any type or kind whatsoever.

E. Limit upon amount payable under Agreement. The total sum of all compensation payments made by the County to Contractor under this Agreement, including incidental, travel and per diem expenses, if any, shall not exceed \$ n/a Dollars (hereinafter referred to as "contract limit"). County expressly reserves the right to deny any payment or reimbursement to Contractor which is in excess of the contract limit.

F. Billing and payment. County shall pay to Contractor the monthly payments set forth in the Schedule of Fees, Attachment B, without any billing or statement from Contractor. Within 30 days of Contractor incurring any authorized incidental, travel, or per diem expenses, Contractor shall submit a statement to the County. The statement will itemize each incidental, travel, or per diem expense and identify the date and case in which the expense was incurred. The statement will include a conformed copy of the court authorization for travel and/or incidental expenses and receipts for lodging, meals, and other incidental expenses in accordance with the County's accounting procedures and rules. County will make payment to Contractor for all authorized reimbursable expenses for which a statement is properly submitted, within 30 days of the County's receipt of such statement.

G. Federal and State taxes.

(1) Except as provided in subparagraph (2) below, County will not withhold any federal or state income taxes or social security from any payments made by County to Contractor under the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

(2) County will withhold California State income taxes from payments made under this Agreement to non-California resident independent contractors when it is anticipated that total annual payments to Contractor under this Agreement will exceed one thousand four hundred ninety nine dollars (\$1,499.00).

(3) Except as set forth above, County has no obligation to withhold any taxes or payments from sums paid by County to Contractor under this Agreement. Payment of all taxes and other assessments on such sums is the sole responsibility of Contractor. County has no responsibility or liability for payment of Contractor's taxes or assessments.

(4) The total amounts paid by County to Contractor, and taxes withheld from payments to non-California residents, if any, will be reported annually to the Internal Revenue Service and the California State Franchise Tax Board.

4. WORK SCHEDULE.

Contractor's obligation is to perform, in a timely manner, those services and work identified in Attachment A. It is understood by Contractor that the performance of these services and work will require a varied schedule. Contractor will arrange his/her own schedule, but will coordinate with the courts of Inyo County, other Inyo County Contract Public Defenders, other counsel, and parties, as necessary, to insure that all services and work under this Agreement will be performed in a timely manner.

5. REQUIRED LICENSES, CERTIFICATES, AND PERMITS.

A. Any licenses, certificates, or permits required by the federal, state, county, or municipal governments, for Contractor to provide the services and work described in Attachment A must be procured by Contractor and be valid at the time Contractor enters into this Agreement. Further, during the term of this Agreement Contractor must maintain such licenses, certificates, and permits in full force and effect. Licenses, certificates, and permits may include, but are not limited to, driver's license, professional licenses or certificates, and business licenses. Such licenses, certificates, and permits will be procured and maintained in force by Contractor at no expense to the County. Contractor will provide County, upon execution of this Agreement, with evidence of current and valid licenses, certificates and permits which are required to perform the services identified in Attachment A. Where there is a dispute between Contractor and County as to what licenses, certificates, and permits are required to perform the services identified in Attachment A, County reserves the right to make such determinations for purposes of this Agreement.

B. Contractor warrants that it is not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in covered transactions by any federal department or agency. Contractor also warrants that it is not suspended or debarred from receiving federal funds as listed in the List of Parties Excluded from Federal Procurement or Non-procurement Programs issued by the General Services Administration available at: <http://www.epls.gov>.

6. COUNTY PROVIDED SERVICES AND SUPPLIES.

County will provide Contractor with those services and supplies which are specifically identified in the Schedule of County Provided Services and Supplies, Attachment C, attached hereto and by reference incorporated herein. County incurs no obligation or requirement to reimburse or compensate Contractor if he/she for any reason either does not use the County provided services and supplies, or procures similar services and supplies from other sources.

7. COUNTY PROPERTY.

Any personal property such as, but not limited to, protective or safety devices, badges, identification cards, keys, etc., provided to Contractor by County pursuant to this Agreement are, and at the termination of this Agreement remain, the sole and exclusive property of County. Contractor will use reasonable care to protect, safeguard and maintain such items while they are in Contractor's possession. Contractor will be financially responsible for any loss or damage to such items, partial or total, which is the result of Contractor's negligence.

8. PRODUCTS OF CONTRACTOR'S WORK AND SERVICES.

Any and all compositions, publications, plans, designs, specifications, blueprints, maps, formulas, processes, photographs, slides, video tapes, computer programs, computer disks, computer tapes, memory chips, soundtracks, audio recordings, films, audio-visual presentations, exhibits, reports, studies, works of art, inventions, patents, trademarks, copyrights, or intellectual properties of any kind which are created, produced, assembled, compiled by, or are the result, product, or manifestation of, Contractor's services or work under this Agreement are, and at the termination of this Agreement remain, the sole and exclusive property of the Contractor.

9. OFFICE SPACE, SUPPLIES, EQUIPMENT, ETC.

Except for the County Provided Services and Supplies provided for in Section 6 above, Contractor shall provide all such office space, supplies, equipment, vehicles, reference materials and books, postage, letterhead, stationery, secretarial services, receptionist services, legal assistant services, telephone services, duplicating services, and case storage facilities as are necessary to provide the work and services required of Contractor by this Agreement. Except for those incidental expenses specifically identified in the Schedule of Fees, Attachment B, County is not obligated to reimburse or pay Contractor for any expense or cost incurred by Contractor in procuring or maintaining such items or services. Responsibility for the costs and expenses incurred by Contractor in providing and maintaining items or services not specifically set forth in the Schedule of Fees (Attachment B) as Incidental Expenses, is the sole responsibility and obligation of Contractor.

10. WORKERS' COMPENSATION.

Contractor shall provide statutory California Worker's Compensation coverage and Employer's Liability coverage for not less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence for all employees engaged in services or operations under this Agreement. The County of Inyo, its agents, officers and employees shall be named as additional insured or a waiver of subrogation shall be provided.

11. INSURANCE.

Contractor shall procure and maintain for the duration of the Agreement, contract insurance against claims for injuries to persons or damages to property which may arise from or in connection with the performance of the work hereunder and the results of that work by the Contractor, his agents, representatives or employees.

A. Minimum Scope of Insurance. Coverage shall be at least as broad as:

1. Insurance Services Office Commercial General Liability coverage (occurrence Form CG 0001).
2. Insurance Services Office Form Number CA 0001 covering Automobile Liability, code 1 (any auto).
3. Workers' Compensation insurance as required by the State of California and Employer's Liability Insurance.

B. Minimum Limits of Insurance. Contractor shall maintain limits no less than:

1. General Liability (including operations, products and completed operations as applicable): \$100,000.00 per occurrence for bodily injury, personal injury and property damage. If Commercial General Liability insurance or other form with a general aggregate limit is used, either the general aggregate limit shall apply separately to this project/location or the general aggregate limit shall be twice the required occurrence limit.
2. Automobile Liability: \$300,000.00 per accident for bodily injury and property damage.
3. Employer's Liability: \$500,000.00 per accident for bodily injury or disease.
4. Errors and Omissions Liability: \$500,000.00 per occurrence.

C. Deductibles and Self-insured Retentions. Any deductibles or self-insured retentions must be declared to and approved by the County. At the option of the County, either the insurer shall reduce or eliminate such deductibles or self-insured retentions as respects the County, its officers, officials, employees and volunteers; or the Contractor shall provide a financial guarantee satisfactory to the County guaranteeing payment of losses and related investigations, claims administration, and defense expenses.

D. Other Insurance Provisions. The commercial general liability and automobile liability policies are to contain, or be endorsed to contain, the following provisions:

1. The County, its officers, officials, employees, and volunteers are to be covered as insureds with respect to liability arising out of automobiles owned, leased, hired or borrowed by or on behalf of the Contractor; and with respect to liability arising out of work or operations performed by or on behalf of the Contractor including materials, parts or equipment furnished in connection with such work or operations. General liability coverage can be provided in the form of an endorsement to the Contractor's insurance, or as a separate owner's policy (CG 20 10 11 85).

2. For any claims related to this project, the Contractor's insurance coverage shall be primary insurance as respects the County, its officers, officials, employees, and volunteers. Any insurance or self-insurance maintained by the County, its officers, officials, employees, or volunteers shall be excess of the Contractor's insurance and shall not contribute with it.
3. Each insurance policy required by this clause shall be endorsed to state that coverage shall not be canceled by either party, except after thirty (30) days prior written notice by certified mail, return receipt requested, has been given to the County.
4. Coverage shall not extend to any indemnity coverage for the active negligence of the additional insured in any case where an agreement to indemnify the additional insured would be invalid under Subdivision (b) of Section 2782 of the Civil Code.

E. Acceptability of Insurers. Insurance is to be placed with insurers with a current A.M. Best's rating of no less than A:VII. The County at its option may waive this requirement.

F. Verification of Coverage. Contractor shall furnish the County with original certificates and amendatory endorsements effecting coverage required by this clause. The endorsements should be on forms provided by the County or on other than the County's forms, provided those endorsements or policies conform to the requirements. All certificates and endorsements are to be received and approved by the County before work commences. The County reserves the right to require complete, certified copies of all required insurance policies, including endorsements effecting the coverage required by the specifications at any time.

12. STATUS OF CONTRACTOR.

All acts of Contractor, his/her agents, officers, and employees, relating to the performance of this Agreement, shall be performed as independent contractors, and not as agents, officers, or employees of County. Contractor, by virtue of this Agreement, has no authority to bind or incur any obligation on behalf of County. Except as expressly provided in Attachment A, Contractor has no authority or responsibility to exercise any rights or power vested in the County. No agent, officer, or employee of the County is to be considered an employee of Contractor. It is understood by both Contractor and County that this Agreement shall not under any circumstances be construed or considered to create an employer-employee relationship or a joint venture. As an independent contractor:

A. Contractor shall determine the method, details, and means of performing the work and services to be provided by Contractor under this Agreement.

B. Contractor shall be responsible to County only for the requirements and results specified in this Agreement, and except as expressly provided in this Agreement, shall not be subjected to County's control with respect to the physical action or activities of Contractor in fulfillment of this Agreement.

C. Contractor, its agents, officers, and employees are, and at all times during the term of this Agreement shall, represent and conduct themselves as independent contractors, and not as employees of County.

13. DEFENSE AND INDEMNIFICATION.

Contractor shall defend, indemnify, and hold harmless County, its agents, officers, and employees from and against all claims, damages, losses, judgments, liabilities, expenses, and other costs, including litigation costs and attorney's fees, arising out of, resulting from, or in connection with, the performance of this Agreement by Contractor, or Contractor's agents, officers, or employees. Contractor's obligation to defend, indemnify, and hold the County, its agents, officers, and employees harmless applies to any actual or alleged personal injury, death, or damage or destruction to tangible or intangible property, including the loss of use. Contractor's obligation under this paragraph extends to any claim, damage, loss, liability, expense, or other cost which is caused in whole or in part by any act or omission of the Contractor, his/her agents, employees, supplier, or any one directly or indirectly employed by any of them, or anyone for whose acts or omissions any of them may be liable.

Contractor's obligation to defend, indemnify, and hold the County, its agents, officers, and employees harmless under the provisions of this paragraph is not limited to, or restricted by, any requirement in this Agreement for Contractor to procure and maintain a policy of insurance.

To the extent permitted by law, County shall defend, indemnify, and hold harmless Contractor, its agents, officers, and employees from and against all claims, damages, losses, judgments, liabilities, expenses, and other costs, including litigation costs and attorney's fees, arising out of, or resulting from, the active negligence, or wrongful acts of County, its officers, or employees.

14. RECORDS AND AUDIT.

A. Records. Contractor shall prepare and maintain all records required by the various provisions of this Agreement, federal, state, county, municipal, ordinances, regulations, and directions. Contractor shall maintain these records for a minimum of four (4) years from the termination or completion of this Agreement. Contractor may fulfill its obligation to maintain records as required by this paragraph by substitute photographs, microphotographs, or other authentic reproduction of such records.

B. Inspections and Audits. Any authorized representative of County shall have access to any books, documents, papers, records, including, but not limited to, financial records of Contractor, which are not otherwise legally privileged information, and which County determines to be pertinent to this Agreement, for the purposes of making audit, evaluation, examination, excerpts, and transcripts during the period such records are to be maintained by Contractor. Further, County has the right, at all reasonable times, to audit, inspect, or otherwise evaluate the work performed or being performed under this Agreement.

C. Workload Data. Contractor shall promptly provide to County any and all workload or case data, which is not otherwise legally privileged information, upon the written request of either the County Administrator or the County Board of Supervisors.

15. NONDISCRIMINATION.

During the performance of this Agreement, Contractor, his/her agents, officers, and employees shall not unlawfully discriminate in violation of any federal, state, or local law, against any employee, or applicant for employment, or person receiving services under this Agreement, because of race, religion, color, national origin, ancestry, physical handicap, medical condition, marital status, age, or sex. Contractor and his/her agents, officers, and employees shall comply with the provisions of the Fair Employment and Housing Act (Government Code section 12900, et seq.), and the applicable regulations promulgated thereunder in the California Code of Regulations. Contractor shall also abide by the Federal Civil Rights Act of 1964 (P.L. 88-352) and all amendments thereto, and all administrative rules and regulations issued pursuant to said act.

16. CANCELLATION.

This Agreement may be canceled by County without cause, and at will, for any reason by giving to Contractor sixty (60) days written notice of such intent to cancel. Contractor may cancel this Agreement without cause, and at will, for any reason whatsoever by giving sixty (60) days written notice of such intent to cancel to County.

17. TERMINATION OF THIS AGREEMENT.

Upon the termination of this Agreement or any extension thereof, County shall pay Contractor such compensation due, if any, prorated to the date of termination; and Contractor shall deliver all active and inactive case files to the person or office as the County Administrator shall designate in writing.

18. TERMINATION OF PREVIOUS AGREEMENT.

Contractor agrees that upon the execution of this Agreement by the parties hereto, any prior written Agreement for the provision of professional services as a Public Defender for the County of Inyo shall be terminated, and the consideration for the continued representation of clients in the courts of the County of Inyo shall be subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement as of the effective date of this Agreement. It is further understood between the parties hereto that there are no oral agreements or representations between the parties affecting this Agreement and that this Agreement supersedes and cancels any and all previous negotiations, arrangements, agreements and understandings, if any, and none thereof shall be used to interpret or construe this Agreement.

19. ASSIGNMENT.

This is an agreement for the services of Contractor. County has relied upon the skills, knowledge, experience, and training of Contractor as an inducement to enter into this Agreement. Contractor shall not assign or subcontract this Agreement, or any part of it, without the express written consent of County. Further, Contractor shall not assign any monies due or to become due under this Agreement without the prior written consent of County.

20. DEFAULT.

If the Contractor abandons the work, or fails to proceed with the work and services requested by County in a timely manner, or fails in any way as required to conduct the work and services as required by County, County may declare the Contractor in default and terminate this Agreement upon five (5) days written notice to Contractor.

21. WAIVER OF DEFAULT.

Waiver of any default by either party to this Agreement shall not be deemed to be waiver of any subsequent default. Waiver or breach of any provision of this Agreement shall not be deemed to be a waiver of any other or subsequent breach, and shall not be construed to be a modification of the terms of this Agreement unless this Agreement is modified as provided in paragraph twenty-eight (28) below.

22. CONFIDENTIALITY.

Contractor agrees to comply with the various provisions of the federal, state, and county laws, regulations, and ordinances providing that information and records kept, maintained, or accessible by Contractor in the course of providing services and work under this Agreement, shall be privileged, restricted, or confidential. Contractor agrees to keep confidential all such information and records. Disclosure of such confidential, privileged, or protected information shall be made by Contractor only in compliance with law..

23. CONFLICTS.

Contractor agrees that he/she has no interest, and shall not acquire any interest, direct or indirect, which would conflict in any manner or degree with Contractor's performance of the work and services under this Agreement. Specifically, Contractor agrees not to engage in any private legal representations of any matter which would conflict or interfere with Contractor's ability to represent clients under this Agreement. Additionally, Contractor, during the term of this Agreement agrees not to advise or represent any person , corporation or entity with a claim or cause of action against the County of Inyo, its officers, agents, or employees.

24. POST AGREEMENT COVENANT.

Contractor agrees not to use any confidential, protected, or privileged information which is gained in the course of providing services and work under this Agreement, for any personal benefit, gain, or enhancement.

25. SEVERABILITY.

If any portion of this Agreement or application thereof to any person or circumstance shall be declared invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, or if it is found in contravention of any federal, state, or county statute, ordinance, or regulation, the remaining provisions of this Agreement, or the application thereof, shall not be invalidated thereby, and shall remain in full force and effect to the extent that the provisions of this Agreement are severable.

26. FUNDING LIMITATION.

The ability of County to enter this Agreement is based upon available funding from various sources. In the event that such funding fails, is reduced, or is modified, from one or more sources, County has the option to cancel, reduce, or modify this Agreement, or any of its terms within ten (10) days of its notifying Contractor of the cancellation, reduction, or modification of available funding. Any reduction or modification of this Agreement made pursuant to this provision must comply with the requirements of paragraph twenty-eight (28) (Amendment).

27. ATTORNEY'S FEES.

If either of the parties hereto brings an action or proceeding against the other, including, but not limited to, an action to enforce or declare the cancellation, termination, or revision of the Agreement, the prevailing party in such action or proceeding shall be entitled to receive from the other party all reasonable attorney's fees and costs incurred in connection therewith.

28. RENEGOTIATION.

Either the County or the Contractor may, upon sixty (60) days written notice, initiate renegotiation of the Scope of Work (Attachment A and A-1) and Schedule of Fees (Attachment B). If as a result of renegotiations, both parties agree to modify the Scope of Work and Schedule of Fees, such modification must comply with the requirements of paragraph twenty-nine (29) (Amendment).

29. AMENDMENT.

This Agreement may be modified, amended, changed, added to, or subtracted from, by the mutual consent of the parties hereto, if such amendment or change is in written form and executed with the same formalities as this Agreement, and attached to the original Agreement to maintain continuity.

30. NOTICE.

Any notice, communication, amendments, additions, or deletions to this Agreement, including change of address of either party during the terms of this Agreement, which Contractor or County shall be required, or may desire, to make, shall be in writing and may be personally served, or sent by prepaid first class mail to, the respective parties as follows:

COUNTY OF INYO:
County Administrator Department
224 North Edwards Address
P.O. Drawer N
Independence, CA 93526 City and State

CONTRACTOR:

_____ Name
Address
City and State

31. ENTIRE AGREEMENT.

This Agreement contains the entire agreement of the parties, and no representations, inducements, promises, or agreements otherwise between the parties not embodied herein or incorporated herein by reference, shall be of any force or effect. Further, no term or provision hereof may be changed, waived, discharged, or terminated, unless the same be in writing executed by the parties hereto.

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IN WITNESS THEREOF, THE PARTIES HERETO HAVE SET THEIR HANDS AND SEALS THIS
DAY OF _____, .

COUNTY OF INYO

CONTRACTOR

By: _____

By: _____
Signature

Dated: _____

Print Name

Dated: _____

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND
LEGALITY:

County Counsel

APPROVED AS TO ACCOUNTING FORM:

County Auditor

APPROVED AS TO INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS:

County Risk Manager

ATTACHMENT A

AGREEMENT BETWEEN COUNTY OF INYO

**AND _____
FOR THE PROVISION OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AS A PUBLIC DEFENDER**

TERM:

FROM: _____ TO: _____

SCOPE OF WORK:

1. PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITIES.

A. **WARRANTY.** Contractor warrants that he/she has read and reviewed the contracts of all the other attorneys engaged by the County to provide professional services as public defenders (hereinafter referred to as "Contract Public Defenders") during the term of this Agreement. Such Agreements are by reference incorporated herein as though set forth in full. Contractor agrees and understands that he/she shall consult, confer, and agree with all the other Contract Public Defenders to, and shall provide legal representation and substitute handling and coverage of Contract Public Defender cases as required by the provisions below. Contractor agrees and understands that these provisions are of mutual benefit to Contractor and each of the other Contract Public Defenders, and does not entitle Contractor to any additional compensation under this Agreement.

B. DEFINITIONS.

1. "Attorney-Conflict of Interest" cases are those that would be within the primary responsibilities of another Contract Public Defender but for an attorney-client conflict of interest of that public defender. Attorney-client conflicts are those that are defined and recognized by applicable law.

2. "Time Conflict" cases are those that are within the primary responsibilities of another Contract Public Defender who is unable to fulfill his/her contractual duties to attend the courts and represent the clients in such cases for whatever reason including, but not limited to vacations, temporary illnesses, conflicting court calendars, or attendance at attorney education courses.

C. **ATTORNEY-CLIENT CONFLICT OF INTEREST CASES.** Except as may be provided in F. below, or where Contractor's own attorney-client conflict of interest or time conflict prohibits such, Contractor shall provide legal representation for attorney-client conflict of interest cases in accordance with the Conflicts Coverage Table, Attachment A-1 to this Agreement, attached hereto and by referenced incorporated herein.

D. **TIME CONFLICT CASES.** Except as may be provided in E and F below, or where Contractor's own attorney-client conflict of interest or time conflict prohibits such, Contractor shall provide substitute handling and coverage of court calendars and legal representation in time conflict cases in accordance with the Conflicts Coverage Table, Attachment A-1 to this Agreement.

E. **TIME CONFLICT CASES LIMITATION.** Contractor is not required to provide coverage for time conflict cases for which another Contract Public Defender is primarily responsible but for whatever reason, the duties of such other Contract Public Defender have not been performed or provided for more than thirty (30) consecutive calendar days.

ATTACHMENT A - Continued

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TERM:

FROM: _____ TO: _____

SCOPE OF WORK:

F. **WAIVER.** The requirements for Contractor to handle attorney-client conflict of interest and time conflict cases as required by this Agreement may be waived by the County Administrator where extenuating demands are placed upon Contractor during his/her representation of the following:

1. A defendant charged with a capitol or other serious offense in which the death penalty or life imprisonment without possibility of parole is a possible sanction;
2. A minor, who, if charged and tried as an adult, may face the death penalty or life imprisonment without the possibility of parole;
3. A minor or parent(s) on a Writ arising out of a dependency case in which the Contractor represents such minor or parent(s).

ATTACHMENT A-1

AGREEMENT BETWEEN COUNTY OF INYO

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TERM:

FROM: _____ TO: _____

CONFLICTS COVERAGE TABLE:

(Conflicts will include those areas of representation set forth in the introduction and based on specific needs of County and Contractor's primary areas of responsibility.)

ATTACHMENT B

AGREEMENT BETWEEN COUNTY OF INYO

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TERM:

FROM: _____ TO: _____

SCHEDULE OF FEES:

1. COMPENSATION:

County shall pay to Contractor on or before the first (1st) day of each month during the term of the Agreement, the amount set forth below as full and complete compensation for Contractor's performance of all of the work and services required to be performed during that month by Contractor:

2. INCIDENTAL EXPENSES:

A. County will reimburse Contractor in accordance with the provision of Sections 3C. and 3F. of this Agreement, for the actual cost of authorized professional services required to provide an adequate and competent defense and representation of a person which Contractor is required by this Agreement to represent. Professional services shall include, but not be limited to, investigators, photographers, accident reconstruction experts, chemists, criminalists, psychologists, psychiatrists, physicians, and other legal counsel with specialized expertise. Contractor shall on a case by case basis, and prior to incurring any expense for professional services, received written authorization for Contractor to engage the providers of specific professional services from the Judge assigned to the case. Such authorization shall specifically approve engaging each provider of professional services as well as the amount of any fees, costs, and other expenses for such services. County reserves the right to deny reimbursement to Contractor for the expenses of professional services which are either in excess of Contractor's actual costs, or the amount authorized by the Judge, or which were incurred by Contractor without the prior authorization of the assigned Judge.

B. County will reimburse Contractor in accordance with the provisions of Section 3C. and 3F. of this Agreement, for the actual cost of authorized document photocopying which is in excess of 5,000 pages in any single case, and which is required to provide an adequate and competent defense and representation of a person whom Contractor is required by this Agreement to represent. Contractor shall on a case by case basis, and prior to incurring any expense for reimbursable photocopying, provide documentation to the County that Contractor has at his/her own expense made 5,000 copies of documents in a single case, and received written authorization for Contractor to incur reimbursable photocopying expenses from the Judge assigned to the case. Such authorization shall specifically approve incurring expenses for photocopies in excess of 5,000 pages, shall set forth the number of additional pages authorized to be copied, and the authorized cost of such copying. County reserves the right to deny reimbursement to Contractor for copying expenses which are in excess of Contractor's actual costs, or the amount authorized by the Judge, or which were incurred by Contractor without the prior authorization of the assigned Judge, or which were incurred by the Contractor in making the first 5,000 photocopy pages in any single case.

ATTACHMENT C

AGREEMENT BETWEEN COUNTY OF INYO

**AND _____
FOR THE PROVISION OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AS A PUBLIC DEFENDER**

TERM:

FROM: _____ TO: _____

SCHEDULE OF COUNTY PROVIDED SERVICES AND SUPPLIES:

1. County will set up a Centrix phone line in Contractor's office for Contractor's use in providing the services and work required under this Agreement. County will pay the reasonable cost of installing this phone line in Contractor's Office. However, Contractor will pay the monthly cost of this phone line plus the cost of any calls or other services billed to this line.
2. County will provide Contractor with reasonable access to County's copying facilities for duplicating documents, and FAX facilities for transmitting documents necessary to perform the work and services required under this Agreement. Contractor will promptly pay to County the County's actual cost of providing such copying and FAX services and facilities to Contractor.
3. County will provide to Contractor confidential storage for closed case files.
4. If Contractor is eligible for group health insurance coverage under the County's group health insurance plan or program, Contractor will have the option to purchase group health insurance coverage under such plan or program at Contractor's sole and entire cost, and at no cost or obligation to the County.

ATTACHMENT D

AGREEMENT BETWEEN COUNTY OF INYO

**AND _____
FOR THE PROVISION OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AS A PUBLIC DEFENDER**

TERM:

FROM: _____ **TO:** _____

FORM W-9

Request for Taxpayer
Identification Number and Certification
(Please submit W-9 form with Contract, available on-line or by County)