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**WRITTEN DETERMINATION REGARDING THE
APPOINTMENT OF OUTSIDE COUNSEL ON BEHALF OF
THE OFFICE OF THE WEST VIRGINIA ATTORNEY GENERAL**

The Office of the West Virginia Attorney General (hereinafter "WVAGO") is seeking the assistance of outside counsel to assist with currently pending litigation styled: *DSSC a/k/a Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee v. State of West Virginia Office of the Attorney General; and Patrick Morrissey, in his Official Capacity as Attorney General of West Virginia*, Civil Action 18-C-1307. Specifically, the WVAGO is seeking assistance to respond to the petition for injunctive relief and possibly assist in processing records for production to the underlying request forming the basis of the litigation.

In accordance with the Attorney General's Policy on Outside Counsel (Policy #WVAGO-004), the Office of the Attorney General has determined that it is both cost-effective and in the interest of the public to appoint outside counsel to assist with the legal matters in question, based on the following factors:

- It is not feasible for the Office of the Attorney General to provide the requested legal services without the assistance of outside counsel at this time without the WVAGO ceasing work on other projects, including, the review and processing of records potentially responsive to the request at issue in this litigation.

Accordingly, the Attorney General authorizes the appointment of outside counsel in the current legal matter pursuant to commencement of the request for proposal process laid out in subsection (D) of Policy #WVAGO-004.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Steven A. Travis".

Steven A. Travis
Deputy General Counsel

Date Signed: October 16, 2018