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## WRITTEN DETERMINATION REGARDING THE APPOINTMENT OF OUTSIDE COUNSEL ON BEHALF OF THE WEST VIRGINIA TREASURER'S OFFICE

The West Virginia Treasurer's Office (hereinafter "Treasurer" or "State Treasurer's Office") is seeking the assistance of outside counsel to assist with compliance with W.Va. Code §51-9-10(f) as enacted in SB389.

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:

- The Treasurer's Office is in immediate need of legal services to be performed in Kanawha County, West Virginia.
- 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 due to the potential conflict of interest that may be created through the legal strategies available to the Treasurer in this matter.

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.

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Deputy General Counsel

Date Signed: May 14, 2019