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The Honorable Tim Anderson
Secretary of the Senate
State House, Room 401
Springfield, Illinois 62706

The Honorable John Hollman
Clerk of the House
420 State House
Springfield, Illinois 62706

Dear Secretary Anderson and Clerk Hollman:

Pursuant to section 1300.30(b) of the Illinois Attorney General's Procurement Rules (44 Ill. Adm. Code § 1300.30(b) (2023), last amended at 42 Ill. Reg. 13585, effective June 29, 2018), the chief procurement officer (CPO) is required to file a report with the General Assembly no later than November 1 of each year that shall include, at a minimum, an annual summary of the information reported to the CPO with regard to contracts necessary to prepare for anticipated litigation.

Attached is a summary of fifty-five FY2023 contracts that were exempt under section 1300.30 of the Attorney General's Procurement Rules. The summary includes the name of each contractor, a description of the supplies or services provided, the total amount of each contract, the term of each contract, and an acknowledgment that each contract was exempt from the Code and the Attorney General's Procurement Rules, per the approval of the Counsel to the Attorney General's designee, Chief Deputy Attorney General Brent Stratton.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please advise.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Christina Huddleston".

Christina Huddleston
Chief Procurement Officer

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Name of Contractor	Description of Supplies/Services	Amount	Term	Excepted from Procurement Rules
Acadian Consulting Group	Consultant retained by the Public Utilities Bureau to provide analysis and testimony concerning utilities' spending requests and plans relating to natural gas delivery infrastructure investment.	\$200,000	2/03/2023 - 6/30/2024	Yes
Allison Schechter, PsyD, P.C.	Consultant retained by Sexually Violent Persons Bureau to conduct evaluations to determine if certain individuals meet the statutory criteria for commitment, require treatment in a secure setting, or may be conditionally released.	\$105,000	7/01/2022 - 6/30/2023	Yes
Alvarez and Associates LLC d/b/a The Wired Group	Consultant retained by the Public Utilities Bureau to perform consulting and expert witness services in cases before the ICC.	\$100,000 (original) \$150,000 (after amendment)	7/01/2022 - 6/30/2023 (original) 3/13/2023 - 6/30/2023 (amendment)	Yes
Philip Andrew d/b/a Pax Group, LLC	Consultant retained by Public Interest Division to provide consulting and expert witness services related to assault weapons/large capacity magazine litigation in federal and state court	not to exceed \$30,000	1/31/2023 - 6/30/2023	Yes
Arete Advisors, LLC	Consultant retained to perform security and security risk assessment services in anticipation of litigation.	\$36,400	7/09/2021 - 6/30/2022 (original) 6/30/2022 - 12/31/2022 (amendment)	Yes

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Arete Advisors, LLC	Consultant retained to perform dark web monitoring in anticipation of litigation.	\$99,510	7/01/2022 - 6/30/2023	Yes
Aspen Planning LLC	Consultant retained by Public Interest Division to provide consulting and expert witness services related to assault weapons/large capacity magazine litigation in federal and state court	not to exceed \$30,000	1/27/2023 - 6/30/2023	Yes
Ryan Bhandari	Consultant retained to provide expert witness, research, analysis, and potentially written or oral testimony on behalf of State defendants in Campbell v. Pritzker 22-MR-261 (Sangamon County Circuit Court) and/or related cases.	\$50,000	1/05/2023 - 6/30/2023	Yes
Dennis E. Baron	Consultant retained by Public Interest Division to provide consulting and expert witness services related to assault weapons/large capacity magazine litigation in federal and state court	not to exceed \$30,000	1/30/2023 - 6/30/2023	Yes
Brown Greer PLC	Third Party Claims Administrator retained by Consumer Fraud Bureau to administer claim notification and payment in conjunction with <i>In re National Prescription Opioid Litigation</i> , Case No. 17-md-2804, and <i>Boone County Illinois et al v. CVS Healthcare Corp. et al</i> , Case No. 2022 L 007352	not to exceed \$20,000	6/01/2023 - 6/30/2024	Yes

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John R. "Rick" Brown Transparency Matters, LLC	Consultant retained by the Civil Rights Bureau to provide technical and professional analysis of policing practices and related activities undertaken by the Chicago Police Department and the Joliet Police Department.	\$25,000	1/03/2023 - 6/30/2023	Yes
Dr. Paul Burcher	Consultant retained by Special Litigation Bureau to testify in litigation involving standard of care for providers' conscience-based objections to providing certain medical care.	not to exceed \$10,000	12/04/2020 - 12/01/2023	Yes
James M. Cantor, PhD	Consultant retained by Sexually Violent Persons Bureau to testify regarding the general acceptance of various mental disorders in multiple pending cases.	\$100,000	7/01/2022 - 6/30/2023	Yes
Denzel Hankinson, DHInfrastructure, Economics & Finance	Consultant retained by Public Utilities Bureau to perform consulting and expert witness services in cases before the ICC.	\$75,000	7/01/2022 - 6/30/2023	Yes
Brian E. DeLay	Consultant retained by Public Interest Division to provide consulting and expert witness services related to assault weapons/large capacity magazine litigation in federal and state court	not to exceed \$30,000	2/01/2023 - 6/30/2023	Yes
Economics and Technology, Inc.	Consultant retained by Public Utilities Bureau to perform consulting and expert witness services in cases before the ICC.	\$20,000	4/20/2023 - 6/30/2024	Yes

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David J. Efron d/b/a Berkshire Consulting Services	Consultant retained by Public Utilities Bureau to perform technical and expert witness services with respect to cases before the ICC.	\$125,000 (original) \$175,000 (after amendment)	7/01/2022 - 6/30/2023 (original) 4/25/2023 - 6/30/2023 (amendment)	Yes
The Equal Rights Cneter	Consultant retained by Workplace Rights Bureau to conduct testing to uncover unlawful employment practices.	not to exceed \$76,050	11/30/2022 - 11/01/2023 (original) 11/30/2022 - 6/30/2024 (amendment)	Yes
Dr. Ben Feigenberg	Consultant retained to provide expert witness, research, analysis, and potentially written or oral testimony on behalf of State defendants in Campbell v. Pritzker 22-MR-261 (Sangamon County Circuit Court) and/or related cases.	\$50,000	9/02/2022 - 9/02/2023	Yes
Franczek P.C., Sally Scott	Consultant retained to provide counsel and legal representation with respect to arbitration, mediation and potential unfair labor practice proceedings relating to collective bargaining matters.	\$50,000	7/01/2022 - 6/30/2023	Yes
Greg Ridgeway Consulting, Inc., Greg Ridgeway, Ph.D.	Consultant retained by Civil Rights Bureau to provide technical and professional analysis of policing practices and related activities undertaken by law enforcement entities within the City of Chicago.	not to exceed \$200,000	7/01/2022 - 6/30/2023	Yes

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Stephen Hargarten	Consultant retained by Public Interest Division to provide consulting and expert witness services related to assault weapons/large capacity magazine litigation in federal and state court	not to exceed \$30,000	1/29/2023 - 6/30/2023	Yes
Margaret Harwell, JD	Consultant retained by Special Litigation Bureau to provide assistance as a gender bias expert with regard to an ongoing investigation.	not to exceed \$20,000 (original) \$40,000 (after amendment) \$47,500 (after amendment 2)	3/28/2022 - 6/30/2023 1/27/2023 - 6/30/2023 (amendment) 6/26/2023 - 6/30/2023 (amendment 2)	Yes
Dr. Paul Heaton, PsyD	Consultant retained by Sexually Violent Persons Bureau to conduct evaluations to determine if certain individuals meet the statutory criteria for commitment, require treatment in a secure setting, or may be conditionally released.	\$50,000	7/01/2022 - 6/30/2023	Yes
Industrial Economics, Incorporated	Consultant retained by Environmental Bureau to provide expert consulting and testimony related to the benefit of noncompliance realized by defendant 401 N. Wabash Venture, LLC d/b/a Trump International Hotel & Tower, case no. 2018-CH-10229 (Cook County, IL)	not to exceed \$30,000 (original) \$80,000 (after amendment)	2/16/2023 - 6/30/2023 6/28/2023 - 12/31/2023 (amendment)	Yes

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Imaginary Landscape, LLC	Consultant retained to design and implement web-based version of the report into the investigation of child sex abuse by members of the Catholic clergy.	\$50,000 (original) \$79, 825 (after amendment)	7/12/2022 - 6/30/2023 7/05/2022 - 6/30/2023 (amendment)	Yes
JND eDiscovery, LLC	E-Discovery firm retained by General Law Bureau to host litigation review platform with respect to pending litigation.	\$40,000 (original) \$110,000 (after amendment)	3/01/2022 - 6/30/2023	Yes
JND eDiscovery, LLC	E-Discovery firm retained by Consumer Fraud Bureau to host litigation review platform with respect to pending litigation.	\$150,000	7/01/2022 - 6/30/2023	Yes
JND eDiscovery, LLC	E-Discovery firm retained by Environmental Law Bureau to host litigation review platform with respect to pending litigation.	\$75,000	7/01/2022 - 6/30/2023	Yes
JND eDiscovery, LLC	E-Discovery firm retained by Civil Rights Bureau to host litigation review platform with respect to pending litigation.	\$40,000 (original) \$45,000 (after amendment)	7/01/2022 - 6/30/2023	Yes
JND eDiscovery, LLC	E-Discovery firm retained by Tobacco Bureau to host litigation review platform with respect to pending litigation.	\$100,000	7/01/2022 - 6/30/2023	Yes
JND eDiscovery, LLC	E-Discovery firm retained by Special Litigation Bureau to host litigation review platform with respect to pending litigation.	\$120,000 (original) \$160,000 (after amendment)	7/01/2022 - 6/30/2023	Yes

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Louis Klarevas	Consultant retained by Public Interest Division to provide consulting and expert witness services related to assault weapons/large capacity magazine litigation in federal and state court	not to exceed \$30,000	1/27/2023 - 6/30/2023	Yes
Barry M. Leavitt, PsyD & Associates, LLC	Consultant retained by Sexually Violent Persons Bureau to conduct evaluations to determine if certain individuals meet the statutory criteria for commitment, require treatment in a secure setting, or may be conditionally released.	\$175,000 (original) \$205,000 (after amendment)	7/01/2022 - 6/30/2023	Yes
Dr. Darren Lubotsky	Consultant retained to provide expert witness, research, analysis, and potentially written or oral testimony on behalf of State defendants in Campbell v. Pritzker 22-MR-261 (Sangamon County Circuit Court) and/or related cases.	\$50,000	1/05/2023 - 6/30/2023	Yes
Michael Lynch Invictus Intelligence Services, LLC	Consultant retained by the Civil Rights Bureau to provide technical and professional analysis of policing practices and related activities undertaken by the Joliet Police Department.	not to exceed \$50,000	7/26/2022 - 6/30/2023	Yes
McCullough Research	Consultant retained by Public Utilities Bureau to provide expert witness services regarding electricity energy and capacity prices in the PJM and MISO Regional Transmission Organization areas.	\$50,000	9/06/2022 - 6/30/2023	Yes

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Miner, Barnhill & Galland, P.C.	Law firm retained by Civil Rights Bureau to monitor consent decrees issued in <i>People of the State of Illinois, et al. v. Xing Ying Employment Agency et al.</i> (Case No. 1:15-cv-10235).	not to exceed \$50,000	7/01/2022 - 6/30/2023	Yes
Miner, Barnhill & Galland, P.C.	Law firm retained by Workplace Rights Bureau to monitor consent decrees issued in <i>People of the State of Illinois, et al. v. Vee Pak, LLC et al.</i> (Case No. 2020-CH-5504).	not to exceed \$85,000	9/01/2020 - 9/11/2022	Yes
National Opinion Research Center	Consultant retained by Special Litigation Bureau to provide professional and consulting services relating to a pattern or practice of excessive force, bias policing, and other unconstitutional practices with respect to the Joliet Police Department.	not to exceed \$25,000 not to exceed \$50,000 (after amendment)	7/01/2022 - 6/30/2023 1/30/2023 - 6/30/2023	Yes
Deborah Nicolai, PsyD.	Consultant retained by Sexually Violent Persons Bureau to conduct evaluations to determine if certain individuals meet the statutory criteria for commitment, require treatment in a secure setting, or may be conditionally released.	\$130,000 (original) \$160,000 (after amendment)	7/01/2022 - 6/30/2023	Yes
Optimal Energy, Inc.	Consultant retained by Public Utilities Bureau to provide consulting and expert witness testimony with respect to electric and natural gas energy efficiency and demand response management issues.	\$50,000 (original)	7/01/2022 - 6/30/2023 (original)	Yes

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Robert Brucker, Jr., PsyD, LCP Plainfield Forensic Psychological Services, Inc.	Consultant retained by Sexually Violent Persons Bureau to provide training and conduct evaluations to determine if certain individuals meet the statutory criteria for commitment, require treatment in a secure setting, or may be conditionally released or discharged.	\$130,000	7/01/2022 - 6/30/2023	Yes
Dr. Annice Kim Research Triangle Institute d/b/a RTI International	Consultant retained by the Health Care Bureau to provide expert services with respect to litigation against Juul Labs, Inc.	not to exceed \$75,000	12/01/2022 - 6/30/2023	Yes
Brennan Rivas d/b/a BG Rivas Enterprises LLC	Consultant retained by the Special Litigation Bureau to provide assistance in legal history and research in the Schoenthal v. Raoul matter.	not to exceed \$40,000	1/13/2023 - 6/30/2023	Yes
Rod Walker & Associates Consultancy	Consultant retained by Public Utilities Bureau to provide expert consulting services regarding issues pending with the ICC	\$80,000	6/23/2023 - 6/30/2024	Yes
Randolph A. Roth	Consultant retained by Public Interest Division to provide consulting and expert witness services related to assault weapons/large capacity magazine litigation in federal and state court	not to exceed \$30,000	2/03/2023 - 6/30/2023	Yes
Martin A. Schreiber	Consultant retained by Public Interest Division to provide consulting and expert witness services related to assault weapons/large capacity magazine litigation in federal and state court	not to exceed \$30,000	1/30/2023 - 6/30/2023	Yes

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Robert J. Spitzer	Consultant retained by Public Interest Division to provide consulting and expert witness services related to assault weapons/large capacity magazine litigation in federal and state court	not to exceed \$30,000	1/26/2023 - 6/30/2023	Yes
Angeline Stanislaus, M.D.	Consultant retained by Sexually Violent Persons Bureau to conduct evaluations to determine whether individuals meet the statutory definition of sexually violent persons under the Sexually Violent Persons Commitment Act.	\$175,000	7/01/2022 - 6/30/2023	Yes
Synapse Energy Economics	Consultant retained by the Public Utilities Bureau to review Commonwealth Edison and Ameren Illinois performance incentive proposals in cases before the ICC.	\$100,000 (original) \$150,000 (after amendment)	6/29/2022 - 6/30/2023	Yes
Danella Group, LLC John S. Thomson, its agent	Consultant retained by the Civil Rights Bureau to provide technical and professional analysis of policing practices and related activities undertaken by the Chicago Police Department and the Joliet Police Department.	not to exceed \$100,000	7/01/2022 - 6/30/2023	Yes
David Thornton, PhD	Consultant retained by Sexually Violent Persons Bureau to assist with diagnostic and risk assessment issues in civil commitment cases, to provide training, to assist with trial preparation and to testify regarding the general acceptance of various mental disorders in civil commitment cases.	\$75,000	7/01/2022 - 6/30/2023	Yes

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Washington Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights and Urban Affairs exclusively by and through Jonathan Smith, its Executive Director	Consultant retained by Civil Rights Bureau to provide technical and professional analysis of policing practices and related activities undertaken by law enforcement entities within the City of Chicago.	not to exceed \$50,000	7/01/2022 - 6/30/2023	Yes
James Yurgealitis	Consultant retained by Public Interest Division to provide consulting and expert witness services related to assault weapons/large capacity magazine litigation in federal and state court	not to exceed \$30,000	1/31/2023 - 6/30/2023	Yes