### WINSLOW TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION NOTICE OF SOLICITATION REQUESTS FOR PROPOSALS - <u>SOLICITOR</u>

### Notice of Solicitation

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20, New Jersey Pay to Play, and other legislative enactments, more specifically P.L. 2005 Chapter 271 of the laws of the State of New Jersey, the Winslow Township Board of Education located at 40 Coopers Folly Road, Atco, New Jersey 08004 is seeking RFPs for professional services to be provided to the Board of Education as listed below for the period July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024.

### RFP 2023-15 - Solicitor

Requests for proposals are on file at the Business Administrator/Board Secretary's office at 40 Coopers Folly Road, Atco, New Jersey 08004, and may also be downloaded from the Board of Education's website.

All RFPs must be received by the Board of Education Business Administrator/Board Secretary no later than 1:30 p.m. on Wednesday, April 26, 2023 at the Board of Education office located at 40 Coopers Folly Road, Atco, New Jersey 08004. Responses may be mailed or delivered and deposited in the locked drop box, located in vestibule of the main entrance of the Administration Building between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. The responsibility to confirm delivery is solely upon the vendor responding to the proposal. All questions concerning this notice should be addressed to the Business Administrator/Board Secretary, Tyra McCoy-Boyle, at 856-767-2850 ext. 7510 or by email to mccoyty@winslow-schools.com.

### Minimum Required Information/Documentation:

All statements of qualifications for professional service contracts shall include at a minimum the following information.

1. Names of individuals who will perform required tasks as well as the listing of their licenses.

a. Identify the person who will be primarily responsible for the services required by the Board of Education and provide a description of the experience of the primary person with projects and issues similar to those more specifically set forth in this proposal and on behalf of the Board of Education of Winslow Township.

b. Identify persons who will serve as back up to the primary person including resumes of all parties.

- 2. Describe ability to provide services in a timely fashion including a description of your staffing and a description of your familiarity with the services required by the Board of Education of Winslow Township.
- 3. Professional Liability Insurance: The Professional is to provide, at own expense, a comprehensive general liability insurance policy including professional liability, in the amount of \$3,000,000, insuring against any and all claims for bodily injury or death resulting from performance and services by the professional, professional's employees, staff and agents.
- 4. New Jersey Business Registration Certificate.

- 5. Statement of Ownership Disclosure.
- 6. W-9.
- 7. Non-Collusion Affidavit.
- 8. Political Contribution Disclosure Form.
- 9. Responders must comply with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et. seq. (P.L. 1975. C.127), N.J.A.C. 17:27 et. seq. Laws Against Discrimination. (See Exhibit A and attachments)
- 10. Affidavit Regarding List of Debarred, Suspended, or Disqualified Contractors
- 11. Disclosure of Investment Activities in Iran
- 12. Vendor Questionnaire/Certification.
- 13. Prohibited Russia-Belarus Activities & Iran Investment Activities
- 14. Fee Structure Proposal Form

## Scope of Services:

The Board of Education desires to appoint a firm(s) to provide legal services to the Board. The Board of Education may award one contract for all legal services as listed below or may elect to award separate contracts in the following areas: general counsel, special education, and negotiations/labor relations/personnel administration. Attorneys may submit proposals to provide services in one, two or all of the service areas listed.

# **Description of Services:**

The selected attorney(s) will provide legal services including, but not limited to the following: Services to be included in each of the service areas:

- Legal counsel and advice to the Board and Administration
- Timely advice and counsel on emergent matters. Counsel is expected to respond, at least verbally to be followed in writing, within a maximum of twenty-four hours when an inquiry is made by the Board or the Administration.
- Written legal opinions upon request.
- Initiate and/or defend lawsuits as necessary and at the direction of the Board.
- Prepare all necessary legal documents.
- Attend meetings of the Board or its committees or third parties upon request.
- Work cooperatively with legal counsels of insurance companies, consortiums, or other collective with whom the Board may be affiliated.
- Represent the school district in all judicial and/or administrative proceedings within the specific service area in which the district or any of its board members, administrator, or agents may be a party or have an interest.
- Provide written, timely notification to the Board of changes in school law or state regulations including court and administrative decisions that might impact upon the operation of the school district.
- Conduct in-service programs on specified legal issues for appropriate staff members upon request.
- Fulfill other legal duties as are commonly accepted and assigned.

Specific Service Areas (Attorneys may submit proposals to provide services in one, two or all of the service areas listed.)

## A. General Counsel Services to be Provided:

- 1. Review and advice for legal notices, resolutions, board policies, and matters of district governance.
- 2. Review and advice in matters of procurement and service contracts, bid specifications, bidding matters, contract preparation and execution, and remedies of contract disputes.
- 3. Provide advice and counsel on all matters related to regular students including discipline, attendance, adherence to rules and regulations, etc.
- 4. Represent the Board in matters involving interface with the municipal governing bodies including planning and adjustment boards, financial matters, jurisdictional matters, etc. and with state agencies such as the EDA, DOE, EPA as needed.
- 5. Provide assurance statements as required for financial audits, bonding matters, and grant compliance.
- 6. Flat Fee for Board Meeting.

## **B.** Special Education Counsel Services to be Provided:

- 1. Review special education issues upon request and provide guidance to Board and Administration.
- 2. Represent the district in mediation upon request.
- 3. Represent the district at all stages of due process beyond mediation including administrative law, commissioner, state board and court proceedings.
- 4. Serve as the district's liaison to the legal representatives/advocates of parents.
- 5. Review special education contracts upon request.

## C. Negotiations/Labor/Personnel Counsel Services to be Provided:

- 1. Serve as Chief Negotiator for the Board with the district's collective bargaining units.
- 2. Advise the board in all legal matters pertaining to collective bargaining, labor relations and personnel administration:
  - a. Advise on proposed contract language and bargaining proposals.
  - b. Develop possible salary guides in accordance with Board guidelines.

- c. Prepare final contract documents upon settlement and ratification of tentative agreements.
- d. Review grievances with the administration and assist in the writing of administrative responses to grievances.
- e. Represent the Board in all grievances at the Board review level and beyond.
- f. Represent the Board in all arbitrations, administrative proceedings, court proceedings, etc. involving labor relations or personnel administration.
- g. Advise the Board on employment, employee discipline, seniority, tenure and other personnel administration matters.

## **Evaluation of Proposals**

The School District intends to award professional services contracts for the defined scope of work under the Fair and Open Process in accordance with N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.

The proposals will be evaluated by a committee of Central Office Administration and/or Board Members of the School District based upon information supplied by each firm in response to this RFP and the following criteria:

Technical Criteria and Qualifications (30%)

- Ability to meet all minimum qualifications.
- Documentation of past performance
- Proposal complete and responsive to the specific RFP requirements

Management Criteria (30%)

- Overall knowledge and familiarity with the operations of the School District.
- Experience of the firm in providing similar services to other public bodies, with special emphasis on experience in New Jersey.
- Qualifications and experience of the professional and other members of the professional's firm.
- Recommendations from at least five current public school clients. (Form provided)

Cost Criteria (40%)

• The hourly rates proposed. The proposal shall identify whether clerical and other overhead costs will be billed separately or included in the hourly labor rate for the professionals. (Form provided)

## Submission

Proposing firms shall provide evidence that the minimum qualifications are met. Proposals should also include:

- Cost details including hourly rates and/or retainer of the individuals who perform services.
- A list delineating the numbers of all current New Jersey public school clients and length of service of each represented by the firm.

• A list of all New Jersey public school clients that have terminated services in the past two years.

All questions regarding this Request for Proposals should be directed to Ms. Tyra McCoy-Boyle, School Business Administrator/ Board Secretary of the Winslow Township School District at (856) 767-2850 ext. 7510 or by email to <u>mccoyty@winslow-schools.com</u>. Responses may be mailed or delivered and deposited in the locked drop box, located in vestibule of the main entrance of the Administration Building between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. The responsibility to confirm delivery is solely upon the vendor responding to the proposal.

Please submit three (3) copies of the proposal to:

Tyra McCoy-Boyle, Business Administrator/Board Secretary Winslow Township Board of Education 40 Coopers Folly Road Atco, New Jersey 08004

All Submissions must be received at the School District's Administrative Office by 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 26, 2023. Please clearly mark your proposal with the type of professional service to which you are responding. Submissions received after the date and time noted in the RFP Package shall not be considered.

# **Contact Information**

Pu	blic School Client Recommendation List	
1.	School District:	
	Grade OrganizationRegional? YesNo	
	Contact Name and Title:	
	Telephone:	
2.	School District:	
	Grade OrganizationRegional? YesNo	
	Contact Name and Title:	
	Telephone:	
3.	School District:	
	Grade OrganizationRegional? YesNo	
	Contact Name and Title:	
	Telephone:	
4.	School District:	
	Grade OrganizationRegional? YesNo	
	Contact Name and Title:	
	Telephone:	
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5.	School District:	
	Grade OrganizationRegional? YesNo	
	Contact Name and Title:	
	Telephone:	

# FEE STRUCTURE PROPOSAL FORM RFP 2023-15 Board Solicitor 2023-24 School Year

TO: Winslow Township Board of Education D	ATE:
FROM:	
Legal Services	
Please provide the hourly rate for services in each of the follow	ing categories:
General Counsel	
Special Education	
Negotiations	
Construction	
Court Time	
Other (specify)	
Please provide the hourly rate for the services of the following	personnel:
Paralegals	
Associates	
The undersigned, submitting this proposal, hereby agree specifications required by the Winslow Township Board o and declares that the attached proposal and pricing are in confo	f Education in this Request for Proposal,
SIGNATURE:	DATE:
TYPE OR PRINT NAME:	_
TITLE:	
TELEPHONE NUMBER: ()	
EMAIL ADDRESS:	_

# ETHICS IN PURCHASING Statement to Vendors

## School District Responsibility

### Recommendation of Purchases

It is the desire of the WINSLOW TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION to have all Board employees and officials practice exemplary ethical behavior in the procurement of goods, materials, supplies, and services.

School district officials and employees who recommend purchases shall not extend any favoritism to any vendor. Each recommended purchase should be based upon quality of the items, service, price, delivery, and other applicable factors in full compliance with N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-1 et.seq.

### Solicitation/Receipt of Gifts - Prohibited

School district officials and employees are prohibited from soliciting and receiving funds, gifts, materials, goods, services, favors, and any other items of value from vendors doing business with the WINSLOW TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION or anyone proposing to do business with the Winslow Township School District.

### Vendor Responsibility

### Offer of Gifts, Gratuities -- Prohibited

Any vendor doing business or proposing to do business with the Winslow Township Public School District, shall neither pay, offer to pay, either directly or indirectly, any fee, commission, or compensation, nor offer any gift, gratuity, or other thing of value of any kind to any official or employee of the Winslow Township Public School District or to any member of the official's or employee's immediate family.

### Vendor Influence -- Prohibited

No vendor shall cause to influence or attempt to cause to influence, any official or employee of the Winslow Township Public School District, in any manner which might tend to impair the objectivity or independence of judgment of said official or employee.

### Vendor Certification

Vendors or potential vendors will be asked to certify that no official or employee of the Winslow Township Board of Education or immediate family members are directly or indirectly interested in this request or have any interest in any portions of profits thereof. The vendor participating in this request must be an independent vendor and not an official or employee of Winslow Township Board of Education.

Ms. Tyra McCoy-Boyle Business Administrator Board Secretary

## WINSLOW TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION BUSINESS OFFICE 40 Coopers Folly Road

Atco, New Jersey 08004

TO: All Vendors

## <u>UNAUTHORIZED ORDERS</u>

### **Official Notification**

### **Authorized Purchases**

The WINSLOW TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION only recognizes purchases made through the approved purchase order process. All purchases require a:

### Written Purchase Order with authorized signatures and a Purchase Order Number.

### **Unauthorized Purchases**

Any Board of Education employee who orders and/or receives any materials, supplies or services without first going through the approved purchase order process has made an unauthorized purchase.

### Vendors' Responsibility

### 1. Do NOT Honor Requests!

Vendors are not to honor or accept any requests for goods or services unless the vendor receives a *written purchase order* with *authorized signatures* and a purchase *order number*.

### 2. <u>Contact the Business Office!</u>

Please alert the Business Office if any Board employee attempts to place an order without an authorized purchase order.

### 3. You will NOT Get Paid!

The WINSLOW TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION will not be held responsible for any unauthorized orders or purchases.

### **Authorized Signatures**

The WINSLOW TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION will only recognize purchase orders signed by:

### Ms. Tyra McCoy-Boyle, Business Administrator/ Board Secretary

## STATEMENT OF OWNERSHIP DISCLOSURE

<u>N.J.S.A.</u> 52:25-24.2 (P.L. 1977, c.33, as amended by P.L. 2016, c.43) This statement shall be completed, certified to, and included with all bid and proposal submissions. Failure to submit the required information is cause for automatic rejection of the bid or proposal.

Name of Organization:	
Organization Address:	
City, State, ZIP:	

## <u>Part I Check the box that represents the type of business organization:</u>

Sole Proprietorship (skip Parts II and III, execute certification in Part IV)
Non-Profit Corporation (skip Parts II and III, execute certification in Part IV)
For-Profit Corporation (any type)
Partnership Limited Partnership Limited Liability Partnership (LLP)
Other (be specific):

## <u>Part II</u>Check the appropriate box

The list below contains the names and addresses of all stockholders in the corporation who own 10 percent or more of its stock, of any class, or of all individual partners in the partnership who own a 10 percent or greater interest therein, or of all members in the limited liability company who own a 10 percent or greater interest therein, as the case may be. (COMPLETE THE LIST BELOW IN THIS SECTION) OR

No one stockholder in the corporation owns 10 percent or more of its stock, of any class, or no individual partner in the partnership owns a 10 percent or greater interest therein, or no member in the limited liability company owns a 10 percent or greater interest therein, as the case may be. (SKIP TO PART IV)

(Please attach additional sheets if more space is needed):

Name of Individual or Business Entity	Home Address (for Individuals) or Business Address		

## <u>Part III</u> DISCLOSURE OF 10% OR GREATER OWNERSHIP IN THE STOCKHOLDERS, PARTNERS OR LLC MEMBERS LISTED IN PART II

If a bidder has a direct or indirect parent entity which is publicly traded, and any person holds a 10 percent or greater beneficial interest in the publicly traded parent entity as of the last annual federal Security and Exchange Commission (SEC) or foreign equivalent filing, ownership disclosure can be met by providing links to the website(s) containing the last annual filing(s) with the federal Securities and Exchange Commission (or foreign equivalent) that contain the name and address of each person holding a 10% or greater beneficial interest in the publicly traded parent entity, along with the relevant page numbers of the filing(s) that contain the information on each such person. Attach additional sheets if more space is needed.

Website (URL) containing the last annual SEC (or foreign equivalent) filing	Page #'s

**Please list** the names and addresses of each stockholder, partner or member owning a 10 percent or greater interest in any corresponding corporation, partnership and/or limited liability company (LLC) listed in Part II **other than for any publicly traded parent entities referenced above**. The disclosure shall be continued until names and addresses of every non-corporate stockholder, and individual partner, and member exceeding the 10 percent ownership criteria established pursuant to <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 52:25-24.2 has been listed. **Attach additional sheets if more space is needed.** 

Stockholder/Partner/Member and Corresponding Entity Listed in Part II	Home Address (for Individuals) or Business Address

## Part IV Certification

I, being duly sworn upon my oath, hereby represent that the foregoing information and any attachments thereto to the best of my knowledge are true and complete. I acknowledge: that I am authorized to execute this certification on behalf of the bidder/proposer; that the *Winslow Township Board of Education* is relying on the information contained herein and that I am under a continuing obligation from the date of this certification in writing of any contracts with the *Board of Education* to notify the *Board of Education* in writing of any changes to the information contained herein; that I am aware that it is a criminal offense to make a false statement or misrepresentation in this certification, and if I do so, I am subject to criminal prosecution under the law and that it will constitute a material breach of my agreement(s) with the, permitting the *Board of Education* to declare any contract(s) resulting from this certification void and unenforceable.

Full Name (Print):	Title:	
Signature:	Date:	

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**Insert NJ Business** 

**Registration Certificate** 

## **NON-COLLUSION AFFIDAVIT**

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Re: Proposal for the WINSLOW TO	WNSHIP BOARD OF E	EDUCATION.	
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COUNTY OF)			
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Subscribed and sworn to:	(SIGNATURE OF C	ONTRACTOR/VEN	DOR)
before me this day of	Month,	Year	
NOTARY PUBLIC SIGNATURE		Print Name of Notar	ry Public
My commission expires	Month Day	,Year	– Seal –

# DISCLOSURE OF INVESTMENT ACTIVITIES IN IRAN FORM

## RFP SOLICITATION/PROPOSAL TITLE VENDOR/BIDDER NAME

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:32-57, et seq. (P.L. 2012, c.25 and P.L. 2021, c.4) any person or entity that submits a bid or proposal or otherwise proposes to enter into or renew a contract must certify that neither the person nor entity, nor any of its parents, subsidiaries, or affiliates, is identified on the New Jersey Department of the Treasury's Chapter 25 List as a person or entity engaged in investment activities in Iran. The Chapter 25 list is found on the Division's website at <a href="https://www.state.nj.us/treasury/purchase/pdf/Chapter25List.pdf">https://www.state.nj.us/treasury/purchase/pdf/Chapter25List.pdf</a>. Vendors/Bidders must review this list prior to completing the below certification. If the Director of the Division of Purchase and Property finds a person or entity to be in violation of the law, s/he shall take action as may be appropriate and provided by law, rule or contract, including but not limited to, imposing sanctions, seeking compliance, recovering damages, declaring the party in default and seeking debarment or suspension of the party.

### CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX

L I certify, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:32-57, et seq. (P.L. 2012, c.25 and P.L. 2021, c.4), that neither the Vendor/Bidder listed above nor any of its parents, subsidiaries, or affiliates is listed on the New Jersey Department of the Treasury's Chapter 25 List of entities determined to be engaged in prohibited activities in Iran.

OR

I am unable to certify as above because the Vendor/Bidder and/or one or more of its parents, subsidiaries, or affiliates

is listed on the New Jersey Department of the Treasury's Chapter 25 List. I will provide a detailed, accurate and precise description of the activities of the Vendor/Bidder, or one of its parents, subsidiaries or affiliates, has engaged in regarding investment activities in Iran by completing the information requested below.

Entity Engaged in Investment Activities Relationship to Vendor/ Bidder	
Description of Activities	
Duration of Engagement	
Anticipated Cessation Date	
Attach Additional Sheets If Necessary	

### **CERTIFICATION**

I, the undersigned, certify that I am authorized to execute this certification on behalf of the Vendor/Bidder, that the foregoing information and any attachments hereto, to the best of my knowledge are true and complete. I acknowledge that the State of New Jersey is relying on the information contained herein, and that the Vendor/Bidder is under a continuing obligation from the date of this certification through the completion of any contract(s) with the State to notify the State in writing of any changes to the information contained herein; that I am aware that it is a criminal offense to make a false statement or misrepresentation in this certification. If I do so, I will be subject to criminal prosecution under the law, and it will constitute a material breach of my agreement(s) with the State, permitting the State to declare any contract(s) resulting from this certification void and unenforceable.

Signature

Date

**Print Name and Title** 

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This form is to be completed, certified and submitted prior to the award of contract.

# P.L. 2005 Chapter 271 **Political Contribution Disclosure Form** (Contracts that Exceed \$17,500.00)

The undersigned, being authorized and knowledgeable of the circumstances, does hereby certify (Business Entity) has that

made the following reportable political contributions to any elected official, political candidate or any political committee as defined in N.J.S.A. 19:44-20.26 during the twelve (12) months preceding this award of contract:

## **Reportable Contributions**

Date of Contribution	<u>Amount of</u> <u>Contribution</u>	<u>Name of Recipient</u> <u>Elected Official/</u> <u>Committee/Candidate</u>	<u>Name of</u> <u>Contributor</u>

The Business Entity may attach additional pages if needed.

## **No Reportable Contributions** (Please check ( $\checkmark$ ) if applicable.)

I certify that <u>(Business Entity)</u> made no reportable contributions to any elected official, political candidate or any political committee as defined in N.J.S.A. 19:44-20.26.

## **Certification**

I certify, that the information provided above is in full compliance with Public Law 2005— Chapter 271.

Name of Authorized Agent

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_

Business Entity

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# C. 271 POLITICAL CONTRIBUTION DISCLOSURE FORM Contractor Instructions

Business entities (contractors) receiving contracts from a public agency that are NOT awarded pursuant to a "fair and open" process (defined at <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 19:44A-20.7) are subject to the provisions of P.L. 2005, c. 271, s.2 (<u>N.J.S.A.</u> 19:44A-20.26). This law provides that 10 days prior to the award of such a contract, the contractor shall disclose contributions to:

- any State, county, or municipal committee of a political party
- any legislative leadership committee\*
- any continuing political committee (a.k.a., political action committee)
- any candidate committee of a candidate for, or holder of, an elective office:
  - of the public entity awarding the contract
  - of that county in which that public entity is located
  - of another public entity within that county
  - or of a legislative district in which that public entity is located or, when the public entity is a county, of any legislative district which includes all or part of the county

The disclosure must list reportable contributions to any of the committees that exceed \$300 per election cycle that were made during the 12 months prior to award of the contract. See <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 19:44A-8 and 19:44A-16 for more details on reportable contributions.

<u>N.J.S.A.</u> 19:44A-20.26 itemizes the parties from whom contributions must be disclosed when a business entity is not a natural person. This includes the following:

- individuals with an "interest" ownership or control of more than 10% of the profits or assets of a business entity or 10% of the stock in the case of a business entity that is a corporation for profit
- all principals, partners, officers, or directors of the business entity or their spouses
- any subsidiaries directly or indirectly controlled by the business entity
- IRS Code Section 527 New Jersey based organizations, directly or indirectly controlled by the business entity and filing as continuing political committees, (PACs).

When the business entity is a natural person, "a contribution by that person's spouse or child, residing therewith, shall be deemed to be a contribution by the business entity." [N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.26(b)] The contributor must be listed on the disclosure.

Any business entity that fails to comply with the disclosure provisions shall be subject to a fine imposed by ELEC in an amount to be determined by the Commission which may be based upon the amount that the business entity failed to report.

The enclosed list of agencies is provided to assist the contractor in identifying those public agencies whose elected official and/or candidate campaign committees are affected by the disclosure requirement. It is the contractor's responsibility to identify the specific committees to which contributions may have been made and need to be disclosed. The disclosed information may exceed the minimum requirement.

The enclosed form, a content-consistent facsimile, or an electronic data file containing the required details (along with a signed cover sheet) may be used as the contractor's submission and is disclosable to the public under the Open Public Records Act.

The contractor must also complete the attached Stockholder Disclosure Certification. This will assist the agency in meeting its obligations under the law.

<sup>1</sup><u>N.J.S.A.</u> 19:44A-3(s): "The term "legislative leadership committee" means a committee established, authorized to be established, or designated by the President of the Senate, the Minority Leader of the Senate, the Speaker of the General Assembly or the Minority Leader of the General Assembly pursuant to section 16 of P.L.1993, c.65 (C.19:44A-10.1) for the purpose of receiving contributions and making expenditures."

#### CHAPTER 271

AN ACT authorizing units of local government to impose limits on political contributions by contractors and supplementing Title 40A of the New Jersey Statutes and Title 19 of the Revised Statutes.

#### **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:

C. 0A:11-51 Limitations on awarding public contracts to entities that made political contributions; authority of local units, nonpreemption by State law.

1. a. A county, municipality, independent authority, board of education, or fire district is hereby authorized to establish by ordinance, resolution or regulation, as may be appropriate, measures limiting the awarding of public contracts therefrom to business entities that have made a contribution pursuant to P.L.1973, c.83 (C.19:44A-1 et seq.) and limiting the contributions that the holders of a contract can make during the term of a contract, notwithstanding the provisions and parameters of sections 1 through 12 of P.L.2004, c.19 (C.19:44A-20.2 et al.) and section 22 of P.L.1973, c.83 (C.19:44A-22).

b. The provisions of P.L.2004, c.19 shall not be construed to supersede or preempt any ordinance, resolution or regulation of a unit of local government that limits political contributions by business entities performing or seeking to perform government contracts. Any ordinance, resolution or regulation in effect on the effective date of P.L.2004, c.19 shall remain in effect and those adopted after that effective date shall be valid and enforceable.

c. An ordinance, resolution or regulation adopted or promulgated as provided in this section shall be filed with the Secretary of State.

C.19:44A-20.26 Submission of list of political contributions by contractor to State, local agencies; definitions.

2. a. Not later than 10 days prior to entering into any contract having an anticipated value in excess of \$17,500, except for a contract that is required by law to be publicly advertised for bids, a State agency, county, municipality, independent authority, board of education, or fire district shall require any business entity bidding thereon or negotiating therefor, to submit along with its bid or price quote, a list of political contributions as set forth in this subsection that are reportable by the recipient pursuant to the provisions of P.L.1973, c.83 (C.19:44A-1 et seq.) and that were made by the business entity during the preceding 12-month period, along with the date and amount of each contribution and the name of the recipient of each contribution. A business entity contracting with a State agency shall disclose contributions to any State, county, or municipal committee of a political party, legislative leadership committee, candidate committee of a candidate for, or holder of, a State elective office, or any continuing political committee. A business entity contracting with a county, municipality, independent authority, other than an independent authority that is a State agency, board of education, or fire district shall disclose contributions to: any State, county, or municipal committee of a political party; any legislative leadership committee; or any candidate committee of a candidate for, holder of, an elective office of that public entity, of that county in which that public entity is located, of another public entity within that county, or of a legislative district in which that public entity is located or, when the public entity is a county, of any legislative district which includes all or part of the county, or any continuing political committee.

The provisions of this section shall not apply to a contract when a public emergency requires the immediate delivery of goods or services.

b. When a business entity is a natural person, a contribution by that person's spouse or child, residing therewith, shall be deemed to be a contribution by the business entity. When a business entity is other than a natural person, a contribution by any person or other business entity having an interest therein shall be deemed to be a contribution by the business entity is other than a natural person, a contribution by: all principals, partners, officers, or directors of the business entity or their spouses; any subsidiaries directly or indirectly controlled by the business entity, other than a candidate committee, election fund, or political party committee, shall be deemed to be a contribution by the business entity.

c. As used in this section:

"business entity" means a natural or legal person, business corporation, professional services corporation, limited liability company, partnership, limited partnership, business trust, association or any other legal commercial entity organized under the laws of this State or of any other state or foreign jurisdiction;

"interest" means the ownership or control of more than 10% of the profits or assets of a business entity or 10% of the stock in the case of a business entity that is a corporation for profit, as appropriate; and

"State agency" means any of the principal departments in the Executive Branch of the State Government, and any division, board, bureau, office, commission or other instrumentality within or created by such department, the Legislature of the State and any office, board, bureau or commission within or created by the Legislative Branch, and any independent State authority, commission, instrumentality or agency.

d. Any business entity that fails to comply with the provisions of this section shall be subject to a fine imposed by the New Jersey Election Law Enforcement Commission in an amount to be determined by the commission which may be based upon the amount that the business entity failed to report. C.19:44A-20.27 Annual disclosure statement by business entity of contributions filed with ELEC; definitions; enforcement.

3. a. Any business entity making a contribution of money or any other thing of value, including an in-kind contribution, or pledge to make a contribution of any kind to a candidate for or the holder of any public office having ultimate responsibility for the awarding of public contracts, or to a political party committee, legislative leadership committee, political committee or continuing political committee, which has received in any calendar year \$50,000 or more in the aggregate through agreements or contracts with a public entity, shall file an annual disclosure statement with the New Jersey Election Law Enforcement Commission, established pursuant to section 5 of P.L.1973, c.83 (C.19:44A-5), setting forth all such contributions made by the business entity during the 12 months prior to the reporting deadline.

b. The commission shall prescribe forms and procedures for the reporting required in subsection a. of this section which shall include, but not be limited to:

(1) the name and mailing address of the business entity making the contribution, and the amount contributed during the 12 months prior to the reporting deadline;

(2) the name of the candidate for or the holder of any public office having ultimate responsibility for the awarding of public contracts, candidate committee, joint candidates committee, political party committee, legislative leadership committee, political committee or continuing political committee receiving the contribution; and

(3) the amount of money the business entity received from the public entity through contract or agreement, the dates, and information identifying each contract or agreement and describing the goods, services or equipment provided or property sold.

c. The commission shall maintain a list of such reports for public inspection both at its office and through its Internet site.

d. When a business entity is a natural person, a contribution by that person's spouse or child, residing therewith, shall be deemed to be a contribution by the business entity. When a business entity is other than a natural person, a contribution by any person or other business entity having an interest therein shall be deemed to be a contribution by the business entity. When a business entity. When a business entity is other than a natural person, a contribution by: all principals, partners, officers, or directors of the business entity, or their spouses; any subsidiaries directly or indirectly controlled by the business entity, or any political organization organized under section 527 of the Internal Revenue Code that is directly or indirectly controlled by the business entity, other than a candidate committee, election fund, or political party committee, shall be deemed to be a contribution by the business entity.

As used in this section:

"business entity" means a natural or legal person, business corporation, professional services corporation, limited liability company, partnership, limited partnership, business trust, association or any other legal commercial entity organized under the laws of this State or of any other state or foreign jurisdiction; and

"interest" means the ownership or control of more than 10% of the profits or assets of a business entity or 10% of the stock in the case of a business entity that is a corporation for profit, as appropriate.

e. Any business entity that fails to comply with the provisions of this section shall be subject to a fine imposed by the New Jersey Election Law Enforcement Commission in an amount to be determined by the commission which may be based upon the amount that the business entity failed to report.

4. This act shall take effect immediately.

Approved January 5, 2006.

### List of Agencies with Elected Officials Required for Political Contribution Disclosure N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.26

### **County Name: Camden**

State: Governor, and Legislative Leadership Committees Legislative District #s: 4, 5, 6, & 7

State Senator and two members of the General Assembly per district.

County:

Commissioners County Clerk Sheriff Surrogate

Municipalities (Mayor and members of governing body, regardless of title):

Audubon Borough	Gloucester City	Pennsauken Township
Audubon Park Borough	Gloucester Township	Pine Hill Borough
Barrington Borough	Haddon Heights Borough	Pine Valley Borough
Bellmawr Borough	Haddon Township	Runnemede Borough
Berlin Borough	Haddonfield Borough	Somerdale Borough
Berlin Township	Hi-nella Borough	Stratford Borough
Brooklawn Borough	Laurel Springs Borough	Tavistock Borough
Camden City	Lawnside Borough	Voorhees Township
Cherry Hill Township	Lindenwold Borough	Waterford Township
Chesilhurst Borough	Magnolia Borough	Winslow Township
Clementon Borough	Merchantville Borough	Woodlynne Borough
Collingswood Borough	Mount Ephraim Borough	
Gibbsboro Borough	Oaklyn Borough	

Boards of Education (Members of the Board):

Audubon Borough
Audubon Park Borough
Barrington Borough
Bellmawr Borough
Berlin Borough
Berlin Township
Black Horse Pike Regional
Brooklawn Borough
Camden City
Cherry Hill Township
Chesilhurst
Clementon Borough
Collingswood Borough
Eastern Camden County

Regional Gibbsboro Borough Gloucester City Gloucester Township Haddon Heights Borough Haddon Township Haddonfield Borough Hi Nella Laurel Springs Borough Lawnside Borough Lindenwold Borough Magnolia Borough Merchantville Borough Mount Ephraim Borough Oaklyn Borough Pennsauken Township Pine Hill Borough Pine Valley Runnemede Borough Somerdale Borough Sterling High School District Stratford Borough Tavistock Voorhees Township Waterford Township Winslow Township Woodlynne Borough

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## Fire Districts (Board of Fire Commissioners):

Berlin Township Fire District No. 1 Cherry Hill Fire District No. 13 Gloucester Township Fire District No. 1 Gloucester Township Fire District No. 2 Gloucester Township Fire District No. 3 Gloucester Township Fire District No. 4 Gloucester Township Fire District No. 5 Gloucester Township Fire District No. 6 Haddon Township Fire District No. 1 Haddon Township Fire District No. 2 Haddon Township Fire District No. 3 Haddon Township Fire District No. 4 Lindenwold Borough Fire District No. 1 Pine Hill Borough Fire District No. 1 Voorhees Township Fire District No. 3 Winslow Township Fire District No. 1

#### EXHIBIT A MANDATORY EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY LANGUAGE N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq. (P.L.1975, c.127) N.J.A.C. 17:27-1.1 et seq. GOODS, GENERAL SERVICES, AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACTS

During the performance of this contract, the contractor agrees as follows:

The contractor or subcontractor, where applicable, will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality, or sex. Except with respect to affectional or sexual orientation and gender identity or expression, the contractor will ensure that equal employment opportunity is afforded to such applicants in recruitment and employment and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex. Such equal employment opportunity shall include, but not be limited to the following: employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship.

The contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided by the Public Agency Compliance Officer setting forth provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.

The contractor or subcontractor, where applicable will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex.

The contractor or subcontractor will send to each labor union, with which it has a collective bargaining agreement, a notice, to be provided by the agency contracting officer, advising the labor union of the contractor's commitments under this chapter and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.

The contractor or subcontractor, where applicable, agrees to comply with any regulations promulgated by the Treasurer pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq., as amended and supplemented from time to time and the Americans with Disabilities Act. The contractor or subcontractor agrees to make good faith efforts to meet targeted county employment goals established in accordance with N.J.A.C. 17:27-5.2.

The contractor or subcontractor agrees to inform in writing its appropriate recruitment agencies including, but not limited to, employment agencies, placement bureaus, colleges, universities, and labor unions, that it does not discriminate on the basis of age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex, and that it will discontinue the use of any recruitment agency which engages in direct or indirect discriminatory practices.

The contractor or subcontractor agrees to revise any of its testing procedures, if necessary, to assure that all personnel testing conforms with the principles of job-related testing, as established by the statutes and court decisions of the State of New Jersey and as established by applicable Federal law and applicable Federal court decisions.

In conforming with the targeted employment goals, the contractor or subcontractor agrees to review all procedures relating to transfer, upgrading, downgrading, and layoff to ensure that all such actions are taken without regard to age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex, consistent with the statutes and court decisions of the State of New Jersey, and applicable Federal law and applicable Federal court decisions.

The contractor shall submit to the public agency, after notification of award but prior to execution of a goods and services contract, one of the following three documents:

- Letter of Federal Affirmative Action Plan Approval;
- Certificate of Employee Information Report; or
- Employee Information Report Form AA-302 (electronically provided by the Division through the Division's website at:

http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/contract\_compliance

The contractor and its subcontractors shall furnish such reports or other documents to the Division of Purchase & Property, CCAU, EEO Monitoring Program as may be requested by the office from time to time in order to carry out the purposes of these regulations, and public agencies shall furnish such information as may be requested by the Division of Purchase & Property, CCAU, EEO Monitoring Program for conducting a compliance investigation pursuant to N.J.A.C. 17:27-1.1 et seq.

July 2022

### AFFIRMATIVE ACTION QUESTIONNAIRE

## RFP

### Date:

This form is to be completed and returned with the bid. However, the Board will accept in lieu of this Questionnaire, Affirmative Action Evidence Employee Information Report stapled to this page.

1. Our company has a federal Affirmative Action Plan approval.  $\Box$  Yes  $\Box$  No

If yes, please attach a copy of the plan to this questionnaire.

2. Our company has a N.J. State Certificate of Employee Information Report  $\Box$  Yes  $\Box$  No

If yes, please attach a copy of the certificate to this questionnaire.

3. If you answered "*NO*" to both questions No. 1 and 2, you must apply for an Affirmative Action Employee Information Report – Form AA302.

Please visit the New Jersey Department of Treasury website for the Division of Public Contracts Equal Employment Opportunity Compliance: <u>www.state.ni.us/treasury/contract compliance/</u>

- Click on "Employee Information Report"
- Complete and submit the form with the <u>appropriate payment to</u>:

Department of Treasury Division of Public Contracts/EEO Compliance P.O. Box 209 Trenton, NJ 08625-0002

All fees for this application are to be paid directly to the State of New Jersey. A copy shall be submitted to the Board of Education within seven (7) days of the notice of the intent to award the contract or the signing of the contract.

I certify that the above information is correct to the best of my knowledge.

Name:	
Signature	
Title	Date
Name of Company	
Address	
City, State, Zip	

To be completed, signed and submitted with the proposal form.

# AFFIDAVIT REGARDING LIST OF DEBARRED, SUSPENDED OR DISQUALIFIED CONTRACTORS

STATE OF NEW JERSEY/	
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COUNTY OF	
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I,	, of the (City, Town, Borougn) of
State	of, of full
age, being duly sworn according to law on	my oath depose and say that:
I am	of the firm of
, the Proposer making the Proposal for the	e above named Project, and that I executed the said
	said Proposer is not at the time of the making this
-	e Treasurer's, or any State of Federal Government's
	ed Contractors as a result of action taken by any
State or	
Federal	
Agency.	
	Name of Proposer
Subscribed and sworn to before me this	_day of, 20
By:	
(Signature of Authorized Representative)	
(Seal) Notary Public of New	
Jersey/ Specify Other State	
My Commission Expires	20
<u>THIS FORM SHALL BE COM</u>	IPLETED, SIGNED, AND NOTARIZED

## *To be completed and returned with the proposal form.* <u>*Vendor Questionnaire/Certification*</u>

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Name of Company				
Street Address		PO Box		
City, State, Zip				
Business Phone Number (	)	Ext		
Emergency Phone Number (	)			
FAX No. ()	E-N	Mail		
FEIN No				
Years in Business	Number of	of Employees		
References – Work previous	ly done for School Sys	stems in New Jersey		
Name of District	Address	Contact Person/Title	Phone	
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## **Vendor Certification**

Direct/Indirect Interests

I declare and certify that no member of the Winslow Township Board of Education, nor any officer or employee or person whose salary is payable in whole or in part by said Board of Education or their immediate family members are directly or indirectly interested in this bid or in the supplies, materials, equipment, work or services to which it relates, or in any portion of profits thereof. If a situation so exists where a Board member, employee, officer of the board has an interest in the bid, etc., then please attach a letter of explanation to this document, duly signed by the president of the firm or company.

### Gifts; Gratuities; Compensation

I declare and certify that no person from my firm, business, corporation, association or partnership offered or paid any fee, commission or compensation, or offered any gift, gratuity or other thing of value to any school official, board member or employee of the Winslow Township Board of Education.

#### Vendor Contributions

I declare and certify that I fully understand N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-6.3(a1-4) concerning vendor contributions to school board members.

I certify that I am not an official or employee of the Winslow Township Board of Education.

I certify that my company is not debarred from doing business with any public entity in New Jersey or the United States of America.

I further certify that I understand that it is a crime in the second degree in New Jersey to knowingly make a material representation that is false in connection with the negotiation, award or performance of a government contract.

President or Authorized Agent

## WINSLOW TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION Prohibited Russia-Belarus Activities & Iran Investment Activities

## COMPANY, PERSON, OR ENTITY\_\_\_\_

## **PART 1: CERTIFICATION**

## COMPLETE PART 1 BY CHECKING ONE OF THE THREE BOXES BELOW

Pursuant to law, any person or entity that is a successful bidder or proposer, or otherwise proposes to enter into or renew a contract, for goods or services must complete the certification below prior to contract award to attest, under penalty of perjury, that neither the person or entity, nor any parent entity, subsidiary, or affiliate, is identified on the Department of Treasury's Russia-Belarus list or Chapter 25 list as a person or entity engaging in prohibited activities in Russia, Belarus or Iran. Before a contract for goods or services can be amended or extended, a person or entity must certify that neither the person or entity, nor any parent entity, subsidiary, or affiliate on the Department of Treasury's Russia-Belarus list. Both lists are found on Treasury's website at the following web addresses:

https://www.nj.gov/treasury/administration/pdf/RussiaBelarusEntityList.pdf

#### www.state.nj.us/treasury/purchase/pdf/Chapter25List.pdf.

As applicable to the type of contract, the above-referenced lists must be reviewed prior to completing the below certification.

A person or entity unable to make the certification must provide a detailed, accurate, and precise description of the activities of the person or entity, or of a parent entity, subsidiary, or affiliate, engaging in prohibited activities in Russia or Belarus and/or investment activities in Iran. The person or entity must cease engaging in any prohibited activities and provide an updated certification before the contract can be entered into.

If a vendor or contractor is found to be in violation of law, action may be taken as appropriate and as may be provided by law, rule, or contract, including but not limited to imposing sanctions, seeking compliance, recovering damages, declaring the party in default, and seeking debarment or suspension of the party.

### CONTRACT AWARDS AND RENEWALS

■ I certify, pursuant to law, that neither the person or entity listed above, nor any parent entity, subsidiary, or affiliate appears on the N.J. Department of Treasury's lists of entities engaged in prohibited activities in Russia or Belarus pursuant to P.L. 2022, c. 3 or in investment activities in Iran pursuant to P.L. 2012, c. 25 ("Chapter 25 List"). I further certify that I am the person listed above, or I am an officer or representative of the entity listed above and am authorized to make this certification on its behalf. (Skip Part 2 and sign and complete the Certification below.)

### CONTRACT AMENDMENTS AND EXTENSIONS

■ I certify, pursuant to law, that neither the person or entity listed above, nor any parent entity, subsidiary, or affiliate is listed on the N.J. Department of the Treasury's lists of entities determined to be engaged in prohibited activities in Russia or Belarus pursuant to P.L. 2022, c. 3. I further certify that I am the person listed above, or I am an officer or representative of the entity listed above and am authorized to make this certification on its behalf. (Skip Part 2 and sign and complete the Certification below.)

### **IF UNABLE TO CERTIFY**

■ I am unable to certify as above because the person or entity and/or a parent entity, subsidiary, or affiliate is listed on the Department's Russia-Belarus list and/or Chapter 25 Iran list. I will provide a detailed, accurate, and precise description of the activities as directed in Part 2 below, and sign and complete the Certification below. <u>Failure to provide such will prevent the</u> award of the contract to the person or entity, and appropriate penalties, fines, and/or sanctions will be assessed as provided by law.

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## **PART 2: ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

PLEASE PROVIDE FURTHER INFORMATION RELATED TO PROHIBITED ACTIVITIES IN RUSSIA OR BELARUS AND/OR INVESTMENT ACTIVITIES IN IRAN.

You must provide a detailed, accurate, and precise description of the activities of the person or entity, or of a parent entity, subsidiary, or affiliate, engaging in prohibited activities in Russia or Belarus and/or investment activities in Iran in the **space below** and, if needed, on additional sheets provided by you.

## PART 3: CERTIFICATION OF TRUE AND COMPLETE INFORMATION

*I, being duly sworn upon my oath, hereby represent and state that the foregoing information and any attachments there, to the best of my knowledge, are true and complete. I attest that I am authorized to execute this certification on behalf of the above-referenced person or entity.* 

I acknowledge that the Winslow Township Board of Education is relying on the information contained herein and hereby acknowledge that I am under a continuing obligation from the date of this certification through the completion of any contracts with the Winslow Township Board of Education to notify the Winslow Township Board of Education in writing of any changes to the answers of information contained herein.

I acknowledge that I am aware that it is a criminal offense to make a false statement or misrepresentation in this certification. If I do so, I recognize that I am subject to criminal prosecution under the law and that it will also constitute a material breach of my agreement(s) with Winslow Township Board of Education and that the Winslow Township Board of Education at its option may declare any contract(s) resulting from this certification void and unenforceable.

Name of Company, Enti	ty		
Full Name (Print)		_Title	
Signature			