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Mr. Nathan Rothschild, President
& Members of the Board of Education
East Ramapo Central School District
c/o Cathy Russell, District Clerk
Administration Building
105 South Madison Avenue
Spring Valley, New York 10977

Via E-mail: crussell@ercsd.k12.ny.us and First Class Mail

Dear Mr. Rothschild and Members of the Board of Education:

It was a pleasure to have had an opportunity to meet with you in September.

As a follow up to that meeting, I have hereinbelow set forth information regarding this firm and have set forth a proposal for general, labor and special education related legal services.

We would propose to provide legal services to the district as requested and as required on the following terms.

A member of the firm will be in attendance, as requested by the board, at regular and special board meetings. We propose a retainer of \$40,000.00 to cover all board meetings as requested, together with a travel allowance computed at 50% of our hourly rate from time of departure to arrival at the district and from time of departure from the district to return to Long Island. Our hourly rate is \$250.00; thus, 50% thereof would be computed at \$125.00 per hour.

In addition, the firm would undertake the representation of the district and the Board, as requested or required, in all general, labor and special education related matters on

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the basis of a fee computed at \$250.00 per hour, with fractional hours computed in tenths of an hour. Again, there would be a travel allowance computed at 50% of our hourly rate from time of departure to arrival at the district and from time of departure from the district to return to Long Island. Our hourly rate is \$250.00: thus, with respect to travel time, 50% thereof would be computed at \$125.00 per hour.

Monthly bills would be submitted to the district, setting forth hours expended (with fractional hours computed in tenths of an hour, as aforesaid), together with a brief description of the services rendered.

Any and all reasonably incurred disbursements would be billed as incurred.

FIRM RESUME

Minerva & D'Agostino, P. C., which was established in 1990, is the successor to Minerva, Moloughney & D'Agostino P.C., which was established in 1973.

There are currently three (3) members (partners) in the law firm (Albert A. D'Agostino, Esq., Dominick M. Minerva, Esq. and Dominick J. Minerva, Esq.) Together with a support staff of associate attorneys and clerical employees.

Albert A. D'Agostino, Esq. is a graduate of Columbia and Fordham Law School, and was admitted to practice before the Courts of the State of New York in 1970, to the United States District Courts for the Southern and Eastern Districts of New York and the Second Circuit Court of Appeals in 1973 and the United States Supreme Court in 1980.

Dominick M. Minerva, Esq. is a graduate of Villanova and St. John's Law School, and was admitted to practice before the Courts of the State of New York and the United States Customs Court and the U. S. Court of Customs and Patent Appeals in 1967. He was thereafter admitted to practice before the U. S. District Courts for the Southern and Eastern District and the U. S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit.

Dominick J. Minerva, Esq. is a graduate of the State University at Albany and Hofstra Law School and was admitted to practice before the Courts of the State of New York in 2003.

The firm has represented school districts (as general, labor and special education counsel) since 1977.

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In addition, the firm or individual members have represented various villages as special labor counsel and special zoning counsel, a sanitary district as labor counsel and the Water Authority of Western Nassau County as both general and labor counsel.

The firm members have also, in individual capacities, served as counsel to the Nassau County Planning Commission, village attorney to the Incorporated Village of Valley Stream and special counsel to the Department of Planning and Economic Development of the Town of Hempstead,

Dominick M. Minerva has served as mayor and a trustee of the Incorporated Village of Valley Stream.

Albert A. D'Agostino has served as a member of the Planning Board of the Incorporated Village of Valley Stream, member of the Public Employment Relations Board ("PERB") of the Town of Hempstead, and a member of both the Industrial Development Agency and Local Development Agency of the Town of Hempstead.

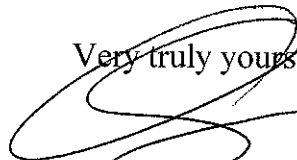
The firm, its members and associate attorneys, have represented school districts in connection with a myriad of matters and issues, before the Commissioner of Education, on appeals to the Supreme Court in Albany, before impartial hearing officers and in federal court, as well as in connection with labor negotiations and before New York State PERB.

The Martindale-Hubbell Lawyers' Directory has awarded Minerva & D'Agostino an "av" rating, which is its highest rating.

We shall be pleased to provide references or further information upon request.

Thank you for having provided the opportunity for this submission.

Very truly yours,



ALBERT A. D'AGOSTINO

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