

**APPROVE ENTERING INTO A SUBSCRIBER AGREEMENT WITH WEST FOR COMPUTER
ASSISTED LEGAL RESEARCH SERVICES**

THE GENERAL COUNSEL REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve entering into an agreement with West to provide computer assisted legal research services to the Law Department at a cost not to exceed \$335,592.00. West was selected on a non-competitive basis due to the fact that this agreement is for electronic database and software services that are proprietary and procurable in this version from only one source. A written agreement for West's services is currently being negotiated. No services shall be provided by West and no payment shall be made to West prior to the execution of the written agreement. The authority granted herein shall automatically rescind in the event a written agreement is not executed within 90 days of the date of this Board Report. Information pertinent to this agreement is stated below.

VENDOR: West, a Thompson business
Address: 1 North Dearborn
Chicago, IL 60603
Contact Person: Kara A. Higdon
Telephone: (312) 643-8688
Vendor #: 85552

USER: Law Department
125 S. Clark Street, 7th Floor
Patrick J. Rocks, General Counsel
(773)553-1700

TERM: The term of this agreement shall commence July 1, 2007 and shall end on July 31, 2010.

EARLY TERMINATION RIGHT: The Board shall have the right to terminate this agreement upon the terms and conditions set forth in the agreement.

SCOPE OF SERVICES: West will provide access to its Westlaw computer assisted legal research service.

DELIVERABLES: In addition to its basic subscriber research services and access to all databases included in such, West will provide further software and updates regarding access to Westlaw, as well as unlimited training and service to Board personnel at no additional charge.

OUTCOMES: Materials are used by attorneys, paralegals, administrators and investigative staff to research federal and state law, statutes and other public records.

COMPENSATION: West shall be paid as follows: compensation shall not exceed \$107,508 for the 1st year and \$111,804 for the 2nd year and \$116,280 for the 3rd year; total compensation not to exceed \$335,592.00.

REIMBURSABLE EXPENSES: None.

AUTHORIZATION: Authorize the General Counsel to include other relevant terms and conditions in the written agreement. Authorize the President and Secretary to execute the agreement. Authorize General Counsel to execute all ancillary documents required to administer or effectuate this agreement.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION: Not applicable.

LSC REVIEW: Local School Council approval is not applicable to this report.

FINANCIAL: Charge to Law Department \$107,508 Fiscal Year: 2008
Source of Funds: Law Department, General Fund, Legal Services, Professional and
Technical Services Budget Classification: #0014-210-000-1011-5410

Charge to Law Department \$111,804 Fiscal Year: 2009
Source of Funds: Law Department, General Fund, Legal Services, Professional and
Technical Services Budget Classification: #0014-210-000-1011-5410

Charge to Law Department \$116,280 Fiscal Year: 2010
Source of Funds: Law Department, General Fund, Legal Services, Professional and
Technical Services Budget Classification: #0014-210-000-1011-5410

GENERAL CONDITIONS:

Inspector General – Each party to the agreement shall acknowledge that, in accordance with 105 ILCS 5/34-13.1, the Inspector General of the Chicago Board of Education has the authority to conduct certain investigations and that the Inspector General shall have access to all information and personnel necessary to conduct those investigations.

Conflicts – The agreement shall not be legally binding on the Board if entered into in violation of the provisions of 105 ILCS 5/34-21.3 which restricts the employment of, or the letting of contracts to, former Board members during the one year period following expiration or other termination of their terms of office.

Indebtedness – The Board's Indebtedness Policy adopted June 26, 1996 (96-0626-PO3), as amended from time to time, shall be incorporated into and made a part of the agreement.

Ethics – The Board's Ethics Code adopted June 23, 2004 (04-0623-PO4), as amended from time to time, shall be incorporated into and made a part of the agreement.

Contingent Liability – The agreement shall contain the clause that any expenditure beyond the current fiscal year is deemed a contingent liability, subject to appropriation in the subsequent fiscal year budget(s).

Approved for Consideration:

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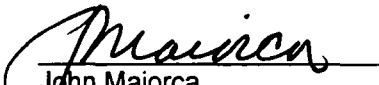


Heather A. Obora
Chief Purchasing Officer

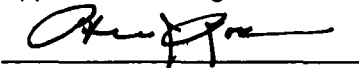


Arne Duncan
Chief Executive Officer

Within Appropriation:


John Maiorca
Chief Financial Officer

Approved as to legal form:


Patrick J. Rocks
General Counsel