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WRITTEN DETERMINATION REGARDING THE APPOINTMENT
OF BRAVERMAN & LIN TO SERVE AS OUTSIDE COUNSEL
ON BEHALF OF GLENVILLE STATE COLLEGE

Glenville State College (hereinafter "Glenville") has requested legal representation in conjunction with employee related immigration matters. Specifically, Glenville is in need of immediate representation to assist it with the H-1B visa process for a faculty member, as well as related immigration matters on an ongoing basis. Glenville is seeking an attorney capable of providing employment based immigration services including, but not limited to, assisting with the preparation and filing of H-1B visa petitions and permanent residency applications (including PERM applications, I-140 visa petitions and I-485 adjustment of status applications). Glenville may also require counseling regarding various other immigration matters.

Pursuant to the written determination issued on February 7, 2014, the Office of the Attorney General determined that it was both cost-effective and in the interest of the public to appoint outside counsel to assist Glenville with the needed legal services. A request for proposals was issued in accordance with subsection (D) of the Attorney General's Policy on Outside Counsel (Policy #WVAG0-004).

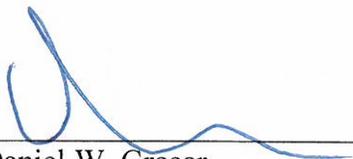
As of the February 14, 2014, deadline for proposals, the Office of the Attorney General received eight timely proposals for legal services from Capitol Immigration Law Group, PLLC; Dinsmore & Shohl, LLP; Parker, Butte & Layne, PC; the law office of Steven E. Richards; Braverman & Lin, PC; Lewis, Glasser, Casey & Rollins PLLC; Spilman Thomas & Battle, PLLC; and, Dilworth Paxson LLP.

After a review of the proposals received, the Office has determined that the law firm of Braverman & Lin has submitted the most competitive proposal for legal services pursuant to Section E of Policy # WVAG0-004, based on the following factors:

- All of the bidding law firms possess the requisite skills and expertise to handle the legal matter in question.
- All of the bidding law firms possess the requisite staffing and support to handle the scope of the legal matter in question.

- Braverman & Lin submitted the most competitive proposal for legal services based on the factors set forth in the Attorney General's Policy on Outside Counsel.
- None of the attorneys employed by Braverman & Lin have been subject to reprimand by the West Virginia State Bar, or other entities, for unethical conduct, and the firm appears to be in compliance with all applicable laws of the State of West Virginia;
- Braverman & Lin has proposed flat-fee rates for each of the immigration services needed by Glenville, and flat fee rates for immigration services that may be used by Glenville's employee(s); and,
- Braverman & Lin's proposal was most responsive to Glenville's needs, based on consultation with the client regarding all of the received proposals, and the estimated fees proposed by Braverman & Lin make it the lowest responsible bidder.

Based on the factors set forth above, and in consultation with Glenville State College, the Office of the Attorney General authorizes the appointment of Braverman & Lin to serve as outside counsel for the legal matters cited herein for a period of one-year pursuant to Section (E) of Policy # WVAGO-004.



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Dated: March 4, 2014