



Ocean County Board of Commissioners

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Board Meeting Agenda

Date: August 6, 2025 - 4:00 PM
Location: Administration Building
Room 119
101 Hooper Avenue
Toms River, NJ 08754

Agenda: Appointing George Morris, Esquire, as Assistant County Counsel for the term of 8/7/2025 through 12/31/2025. (QP2025-67)

Official Resolution#	2025001183
Meeting Date	08/06/2025
Introduced Date	08/06/2025
Adopted Date	08/06/2025
Agenda Item	m-25
CAF #	
Purchase Req. #	QP2025-67
Result	Adopted

COUNTY COMMISSIONER	PRES.	ABS.	MOVE	SEC	AYE	NAY	ABST.
Kelly	✓				✓		
Sadeghi	✓				✓		
Arace	✓		✓		✓		
Bacchione	✓			✓	✓		
Haines		✓					

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS DOCUMENT IS A TRUE, COMPLETE AND ACCURATE COPY OF THIS RESOLUTION, ADOPTED BY OCEAN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, NJ AT THE MEETING REFERENCED THEREON

Michelle I. Gunther

Clerk Of The Board

RESOLUTION

August 6, 2025

WHEREAS, the Ocean County Board of Commissioners require the services of Assistant County Counsels; and

WHEREAS, on June 4, 2025 the County qualified six (6) firms as eligible to provide Assistant County Counsel Services, on a project specific basis; and

WHEREAS, it is now the desire of the Board to appoint George Morris, Esq. with the firm, Parker McCay P.A. as Assistant County Counsel for the period of August 7, 2025 through December 31, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the retainer costs for Assistant County Counsel services, in an amount not to exceed \$20,000.00 per year, shall be appropriated from General County Counsel Services: 016-030-4010; and

WHEREAS, for all other legal services to be rendered: General County Counsel Services: 016-030-4010, in an amount not to exceed \$400,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law requires that the Resolution authorizing the award of a contract for professional services and the contract itself must be available for public inspection.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, as follows:

1. George Morris, 9000 Midlantic Drive, Suite 300, Mount Laurel, New Jersey 08054 is hereby appointed Assistant County Counsel, effective August 7, 2025 through December 31, 2025 in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in the Professional Service Agreement on file in the Office of the Clerk of the Board.
2. The Director and Clerk of the Board are hereby authorized and directed to enter into and execute a Professional Service Agreement with George Morris, Esq., a copy of which is on file with the Clerk of the Board.
3. This Agreement is awarded in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5, because legal services are professional in nature and because George Morris is a licensed attorney, authorized to practice law in the State of New Jersey.
4. This Agreement is also awarded in compliance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.

5. A certified copy of this Resolution, together with a copy of each of the Professional Service Agreement executed by the parties, shall be placed and kept on file at the Office of the Clerk of the Board of Commissioners.
6. A notice of this action shall be printed in a local newspaper.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this Resolution shall be forwarded to Ocean County Counsel, Ocean County Comptroller, and George Morris, Esq., Assistant County Counsel.