

ST. TAMMANY PARISH COUNCIL

RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION COUNCIL SERIES NO: C-3650

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RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SPECIAL COUNSEL TO REPRESENT THE PARISH OF ST. TAMMANY IN DEFENDING THE LAWSUIT ENTITLED: WALLACE RUIZ III, ET AL VS. ST. TAMMANY PARISH 22ND JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT, NO. 2007-14243 AND OTHER COMPLEX PERSONAL INJURY CASES.

WHEREAS, the lawsuit entitled "Wallace Ruiz III, et al vs. St. Tammany Parish", 22nd Judicial District Court, No. 2007-14243, a complex personal injury case involving a death claim, has been pending for some time and at the recommendation of the Assistant District Attorney it is appropriate to retain the services of special counsel experienced in complex personal injury cases to undertake the defense of the Parish in this and other complex personal injury cases; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the Parish to promptly appoint special counsel to defend said case to protect its interest. Tommy Anzelmo, of the McCranie, Sistrunk, Anzelmo, Hardy, Daniel & Welch law firm is a seasoned trial attorney with the requisite experience to render said defense in this and other complex personal injury cases; and

WHEREAS, considering the circumstances, the District Attorney of the 22ND Judicial District has no objection to the employment of said special counsel in these matters.

THE PARISH OF ST. TAMMANY HEREBY RESOLVES that a necessity exists for the employment of special counsel in this matter and in other complex personal injury cases, therefore, the St. Tammany Parish Council authorizes, ratifies and approves the employment of attorney Tommy Anzelmo, the law firm of McCranie, Sistrunk, Anselmo, Hardy, McDaniel & Welch,LLC, as special counsel for St. Tammany Parish in this and other complex personal injury cases, as special counsel for St. Tammany Parish in said matters. The compensation authorized to be paid will be based upon the published Maximum Hourly Fee Schedule established by the Honorable James D. Buddy Caldwell, Attorney General of the State of Louisiana.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the St. Tammany Parish Council requests that this resolution be approved by the Attorney General of the State of Louisiana, the Honorable James D. Buddy Caldwell.

THIS RESOLUTION HAVING BEEN SUBMITTED TO A VOTE, THE VOTE THEREON WAS AS FOLLOWS:

MOVED FOR ADOPTION BY: _____ SECONDED BY: _____

YEAS: _____

NAYS: _____

ABSTAIN: _____

ABSENT: _____

THIS RESOLUTION WAS DECLARED ADOPTED ON THE 7 DAY OF FEBRUARY , 2013, AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL, A QUORUM OF THE MEMBERS BEING PRESENT AND VOTING.

JERRY BINDER, COUNCIL CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

THERESA L. FORD, COUNCIL CLERK