

**AUTHORIZE RETENTION OF THE LAW FIRM  
KANE AND ABBOTT**

**THE GENERAL COUNSEL REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:**

Retention of the law firm Kane and Abbott.

**DESCRIPTION:** Steven Laduzinsky, principal at the firm Tressler, Soderstrom, Maloney & Priess was previously retained in several matters. Mr. Laduzinsky has resigned from this partnership and has joined the law firm Kane and Abbott. It is the recommendation of the General Counsel that Mr. Laduzinsky and his new firm continue to handle these previously undertaken matters. Authorization is requested for Nieves v. Board, et. al. in the amount of \$10,000 and authorization is requested in the amount of \$25,000 for completion of the final report for the IT audit and legal work which emanates from that audit. As invoices for these matters are received, they will be reviewed by the General Counsel and, if satisfactory, processed for payment.

**LSC REVIEW:** LSC approval is not applicable to this report.

**AFFIRMATIVE ACTION STATUS:** None.

**FINANCIAL:** Nieves v. Board, et. al. - Charge \$10,000.00 to Law Department - Legal and Supportive Services - Professional Services:  
IT Audit - Charge \$25,000.00 to Law Department - Legal and Supportive Services - Professional Services: Budget Classification Fiscal Year 2002 ..... 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.

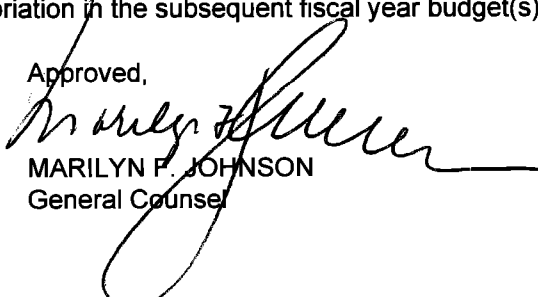
Conflicts - The agreement shall not be legally binding on the Board if entered into in violation of the provisions of 105 ILCS 5/34-21.3 which restricts the employment of, or the letting of contracts to, former Board Members during the one year period following expiration or other termination of their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

Indebtedness - The Board's Indebtedness Policy adopted July 26, 1995, (95-0726-EX3), as amended from time to time, is hereby incorporated into and made a part of the agreement.

Ethics - The Board's Ethics Code adopted September 27, 1995, (95-0927-RU3), as amended from time to time, is hereby incorporated into and made a part of the agreement.

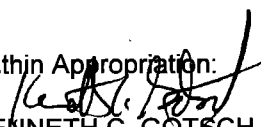
Contingent Liability - The agreement shall contain the clause that any expenditure beyond the current fiscal year is deemed a contingent liability, subject to appropriation in the subsequent fiscal year budget(s).

Approved,



MARILYN F. JOHNSON  
General Counsel

Within Appropriation:



KENNETH C. GOTSCH  
Chief Fiscal Officer