

**RATIFY AGREEMENTS WITH THE LAW BULLETIN PUBLISHING COMPANY
FOR ON-LINE SERVICES**

THE GENERAL COUNSEL REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Ratify agreements with Law Bulletin Publishing Company to provide DM2000 Docket Management System and Access Plus, on-line services, to the Law Department at a cost not to exceed \$30,000 in the aggregate. These services were obtained without prior Board approval. Written agreements for these services are currently being negotiated. The authority granted herein shall automatically rescind in the event written documents are not executed within 60 days of the date of this Board Report. Information pertinent to these agreements is stated below.

CONSULTANT: Law Bulletin Publishing Company
415 North State Street
Chicago, Illinois 60610
Contract person: Cheryl Blalock
(312) 644-7800

USER: Law Department
125 S. Clark Street
Marilyn F. Johnson
(773) 553-1700

TERM: The term of each agreement shall commence on August 1, 2000 and shall end July 31, 2001. The parties shall have the option to renew the DM2000 Docket Management System agreement for successive one-year terms. The Access Plus agreement shall automatically renew for successive one-year terms but may be terminated on the annual anniversary of its effective date. The payment of fees shall automatically effectuate the renewal of this agreement.

SERVICES: The Law Bulletin Publishing Company shall provide access to the DM2000 Docket Management System and Access Plus, on-line legal services. The DM2000 Docket Management System is a docket and calendaring program that tracks all legal matters handled by the Law Department and matches the case numbers of these matters to the various courts in Northern Illinois. Access Plus provides on-line access to the Northern Illinois courts and vital public record information.

DELIVERABLES: The Law Bulletin Publishing Company shall provide access to these services and shall provide training to designated staff at no additional charge.

OUTCOMES: The DM2000 Docket Management System shall result in the integration of the court's diary with the Law Department's case list to provide a variety of reports which supply the information necessary to meet court deadlines, appearances, depositions, etc., and alert staff to future dates. Access Plus shall result in the Law Department having access to the Northern Illinois courts on public record information, including lawsuits, judgments, liens, post-judgment actions, bankruptcies, verdicts, settlements, realty sales slip opinions, City of Chicago municipal code and the Law Bulletin publications.

COMPENSATION: For DM2000 service, the Law Bulletin Publishing Company shall be paid (i) an on-line monthly access fee of \$30, (ii) a variable fee based upon the number of open cases stored according to the fee schedule attached to the agreement, and (iii) a fee of \$0.12 for each closed case/matter stored. For Access Plus service, the Law Bulletin Publishing Company shall be paid (i) an on-line monthly access fee of \$30, (ii) a system usage fee of \$1.05 per hour, and (iii) a search fee based upon the fee schedule attached to the agreement.

AUTHORIZATION: Authorize the General Counsel to include other relevant terms and conditions in the written agreements. Authorize the President and Secretary to execute the agreements.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION: Vendor agrees to comply with and be bound by the provisions of the revised Remedial Plan for Minority and Women Business Enterprise Economic Participation (M/WBE Plan).

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

FINANCIAL: Charge to Law Department: \$30,000
Budget Classification: 0014-210-000-1011-5410
Fiscal Year: 2001
Source of Funds: General Education Fund

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.

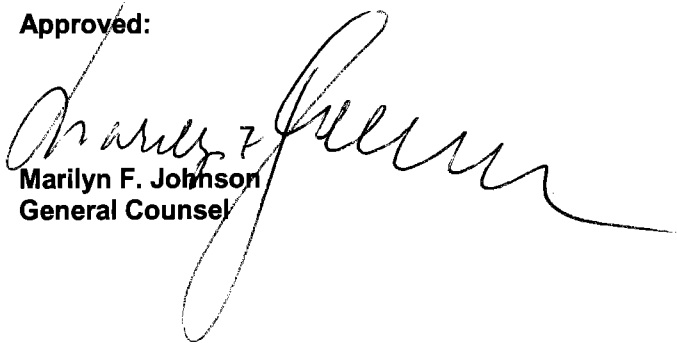
Conflicts - The agreement shall not be legally binding on the Board if entered into in violation of the provisions of 105 ILCS 5/34-21.3 which restricts the employment of, or the letting of contracts to, former Board members during the one year period following expiration or other termination of their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

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

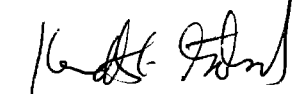
Contingent Liability - The agreement shall contain the clause that any expenditure beyond the current fiscal year is deemed a contingent liability, subject to appropriation in the subsequent fiscal year budget(s).

Approved:



Marilyn F. Johnson
General Counsel

Within Appropriation:



Kenneth C. Gotsch
Chief Fiscal Officer