

**APPROVE APPOINTMENT AND ENTERING INTO AN AGREEMENT
WITH LAURA C. ZANGARA FOR HEARING OFFICER SERVICES**

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve appointment of entering into an agreement with Laura C. Zangara to provide hearing officer services to the Office of Schools and Regions at a cost not to exceed \$12,500.00. Consultant was previously employed as a coordinator with the Office of Due Process and Mediation with the Board. A written agreement for Consultant's services is currently being negotiated. No payment shall be made to Consultant prior to the execution of the written agreement. The authority granted herein shall automatically rescind in the event a written document is not executed within 60 days of the date of this Board Report. Information pertinent to this agreement is stated below.

CONSULTANT:

Laura C. Zangara
7241 West Greenleaf
Chicago, Illinois 60631
(773) 763-8934

USER:

Office of Schools and Regions
125 South Clark
Blondean Y. Davis
(773) 553-2150

TERM: The term of this agreement shall commence on July 1, 2001 and shall end December 31, 2001.

EARLY TERMINATION RIGHT: This agreement may be terminated upon 15 calendar days notice of default by the Board and the default is not cured by the hearing officer.

SCOPE OF SERVICES: Upon appointment by the Board, Consultant shall act as a hearing officer for student expulsion hearings, pupil residency hearings, Board Rule 6-28 and 6-29 hearings and chronic truancy hearings, as assigned by the General Superintendent or his designee.

DELIVERABLES: Consultant shall prepare a written summary of the evidence taken at the hearings, together with a recommendation, and forward that summary to the appropriate department.

OUTCOME: The hearing officer shall render an impartial recommendation to the appropriate Region Education Officer which is submitted to the Chief Education Officer.

COMPENSATION: Consultant shall be paid during this term as follows: hourly rate of \$30.00, not to exceed the sum of \$12,500.00 for the term of the contract.

REIMBURSABLE EXPENSES: None.

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

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION: Consultant agrees to comply with and be bound by the provisions of the Revised Remedial Plan for Minority and Women Business Enterprise Economic Participation.

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

FINANCIAL: Charge to Schools and Regions: \$12,500.00 Fiscal yr: 2002
Professional and Technical Services
Budget Classification: 0953-210-000-1026-5410

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 Board of Education of the City of Chicago 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 for Consideration:


Natalye Paquin
Chief Purchasing Officer

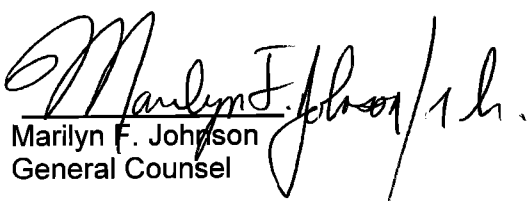
Approved:


Paul G. Vallas
Chief Executive Officer

Within Appropriation:


Kenneth C. Gotsch
Chief Fiscal Officer

Approved as to legal form: 


Marilyn F. Johnson
General Counsel