

June 23, 2021

**PERMANENT DEBARMENT OF ERASERMITT, INC., NEW LIFE PRE-EMPLOYMENT SERVICES
F/K/A APOSTOLIC LOVE CHARITIES, DUANE LEWIS AND DIANE LEWIS**

THE ACTING CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board of Education of the City of Chicago ("Board") permanently debar EraserMitt, Inc.; New Life Pre-Employment Services f/k/a Apostolic Love Charities; Duane Lewis; and Diane Lewis ("Respondents") from doing any business with the Board.

The Board's Chief Procurement Officer served Respondents with a Notice of Proposed Debarment on February 27, 2021, initiating debarment proceedings against Respondents based on Sections 2(b), 2(c), 2(f), 2(k) and 7 of the Board's Debarment Policy and the Board's Student Travel Policy 604.3. Respondents were found to have made false representations in the process of procuring a Board contract; failed to perform in accordance with a Board contract, namely failing to remit payment to student employees for work performed; violating the Board's Student Travel Policy by accompanying a student off campus without permission from the student's parent; and refusing to cooperate with an investigation of the OIG. Respondents failed to submit a written response to the Notice as required by Section 4(d) of the Board's Debarment Policy. As such, all allegations in the Notice are deemed admitted. See Debarment Policy, §4(d). The Acting Chief Operating Officer has reviewed the record (as defined in Section 4.5(10) of the Debarment Policy), including OIG Report Nos. 18-01294 and 18-01299, and recommends permanent debarment.

Based on the facts set forth in the record as defined in Section 4.5(10) of the Board's Debarment Policy, the Acting Chief Operating Officer recommends that the Board permanently debar Respondents from doing any business with the Board effective immediately. All existing contracts between the Board and Respondents are terminated. Respondents are ineligible to act as subcontractors or suppliers to any existing or future Board contracts.

The Board adopts and approves the recommendation of the Acting Chief Operating Officer.

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

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION STATUS: Affirmative Action review is not applicable to this report.

FINANCIAL: None.

GENERAL CONDITIONS: None.

APPROVED:

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