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Vicki Hausknecht Financial/Benefits Manager Marin-Sonoma Mosquito & Vector Control District 595 Helman Lane Cotati, CA 94931

Re:

Sonoma/Marin Employment Relations Consortium

Dear Ms. Hausknecht:

We are looking forward to another successful year with the Sonoma/Marin Employment Relations Consortium. The consortium committee has selected a wide variety of topics for your managers and supervisors. We are pleased to provide the consortium with four full days of training, our monthly Client Update, and telephone consultation. The workshops chosen for the upcoming training are listed on the enclosed planning meeting notes.

Enclosed is an Agreement for Special Services. Please execute and return a copy to our office.

Some members have requested information regarding our customized training. We provide training outside of the consortium on a variety of topics, all of which can be customized to include your policies and procedures. The rates vary depending on the presenter. We are willing to provide this customized training for an individual agency or a group of agencies so that the rate can be pro-rated.

If you have any questions about the consortium or our other training programs, please contact Cynthia Weldon, Director of Marketing & Training at (310) 981-2055 or cweldon@lcwlegal.com.

We thank you for your membership and we look forward to another successful training year.

Sincerely,

LIEBERT CASSIDY WHITMORE

BY

J. Scott Tiedemann Managing Partner

Enclosures

AGREEMENT FOR SPECIAL SERVICES

This Agreement is entered into between the Marin-Sonoma Mosquito & Vector Control District, hereinafter referred to as "Agency," and the law firm of LIEBERT CASSIDY WHITMORE, A Professional Corporation, hereinafter referred to as "Attorney."

WHEREAS Agency has the need to secure expert training and consulting services to assist Agency in its relations and negotiations with its employee organizations; and

WHEREAS Agency has determined that no less than twenty-nine (29) public agencies in the Sonoma/Marin area have the same need and have agreed to enter into identical agreements with Attorney; and

WHEREAS Attorney is specially experienced and qualified to perform the special services desired by the Agency and is willing to perform such services;

NOW, THEREFORE, Agency and Attorney agree as follows:

Attorney's Services:

During the year beginning January 1, 2015, Attorney will provide the following services to Agency (and the other aforesaid public agencies):

1. Four (4) days of group training workshops covering such employment relations subjects as management rights and obligations, negotiation strategies, employment discrimination and affirmative action, employment relations from the perspective of elected officials, performance evaluation (administering evaluations), grievance and discipline administration for supervisors and managers, planning for and responding to concerted job actions, current court, administrative and legislative developments in personnel administration and employment relations, etc., with the specific subjects covered and lengths of individual workshop presentations to be determined by Agency and the other said local agencies.

It is expressly understood that the material used during these presentations, including written handouts and projected power points are provided solely for the contracted workshops. This agreement warrants there will be no future use of Liebert Cassidy Whitmore material in other trainings or formats without the expressed written permission of Liebert Cassidy Whitmore. Any such use will constitute a violation of this agreement and copyright provisions.

- 2. Availability of Attorney for Agency to consult by telephone.
- 3. Providing of a monthly newsletter covering employment relations developments.

Fee:

Attorney will provide these special services to Agency for a fee of Two Thousand Two Hundred and Fourteen Dollars (\$2,214.00) payable in one payment prior to February 15, 2015. The fee, if paid after February 15, 2015 will be \$2,314.00.

Said fee will cover Attorney's time in providing said training and consultative services and the development and printing of written materials provided to attendees at the training programs.

Additional Services:

Attorney shall, as and when requested by Agency, make itself available to Agency to provide representational, litigation, and other employment relations services. The Agency will be billed for the actual time such representation services are rendered, including reasonable travel time, plus any necessary costs and expenses authorized by the Agency.

The range of hourly rates for Attorney time is from One Hundred Ninety to Three Hundred Twenty-Five Dollars (\$190.00 - \$325.00) per hour for attorney staff and from Seventy-Five to One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$75.00 - \$150.00) per hour for services provided by paraprofessional and litigation support staff. Attorneys, paraprofessional and litigation support staff bill their time in minimum units of one-tenth of an hour. Attorney reviews its hourly rates in an annual basis and if appropriate, adjusts them effective July 1.

Independent Contractor:

It is understood and agreed that Attorney is and shall remain an independent contractor under this Agreement.

Term:

The term of this Agreement is twelve (12) months commencing January 1, 2015. The term may be extended for additional periods of time by the written consent of the parties.

Condition Precedent:

It is understood and agreed that the parties' aforesaid rights and obligations are contingent on no less than twenty-nine (29) local agency employers entering into a substantially identical Agreement with Attorney on or about January 1, 2015.

Dated:

LIEBERT CASSIDY WHITMORE

A Professional Corporation

Dated: 1/2

MARIN-SONOMA MOSQUITO & VECTOR CONTROL

DISTRICT

By