# OREGON PUBLIC DEFENSE COMMISSION CONTRACT FOR PUBLIC DEFENSE SERVICES

# Hourly Contract Contract No. «Contract\_»

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## CONTRACT FOR PUBLIC DEFENSE SERVICES Contract No. «Contract »

This contract (the "Contract") is between the State of Oregon ("State"), acting by and through the Oregon Public Defense Commission ("OPDC" or "Agency") and «Contractor\_Name» as registered with the Oregon Secretary of State ("Contractor")" (each a Party, and collectively, the "Parties,") and sets forth the terms under which Contractor will provide public defense Services as outlined below (the "Contract").

The following are the underlying bases for this Contract:

- a. Oregon has a constitutional and statutory responsibility to provide public defense Services, and pursuant to ORS 151.216, the OPDC has responsibility for ensuring those Services are available in circuit and appellate courts.
- b. OPDC desires to have Services performed for Clients entitled to public defense representation by Contractor, as authorized by law.
- c. Contractor may accept appointments to represent Clients. Contractor agrees to provide, and OPDC agrees to pay for competent, zealous legal representation to its Clients as required by this Contract.
- d. OPDC and Contractor agree that any and all funds provided pursuant to this Contract are provided for the sole purpose of provision of Services to Clients of Contractor, the training and educational expenses associated with providing those Services, and overhead costs.
- e. OPDC may publish the names of Contractor's attorneys, along with information on the types of cases that those attorneys are qualified to provide legal services, to a list provided to the circuit courts.
- f. This Contract does not guarantee Case assignment.

The statements above are incorporated by reference as if set forth in full in the body of this Contract.

The Parties agree as follows:

#### 1. DURATION OF CONTRACT

This Contract is effective on October 1, 2025, and terminates on June 30, 2027, unless extended or terminated earlier in a manner allowed by this Contract (the "Term" of the Contract).

#### 2. RULES

- A. <u>Interpretation of Terms</u>: Words, terms, and phrases not specifically defined in this Contract shall have the ordinary meaning ascribed to them unless the context clearly indicates otherwise. When not inconsistent with context, words used in the present tense include the future, words in the plural include the singular, and words in the singular include the plural. The word "shall" is mandatory and not merely directive.
- B. <u>Construction and Jurisdiction</u>: This Contract shall be construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Oregon. A Party shall bring any action or suit arising under this Contract to the Circuit Court of Marion County for the State of Oregon in Salem, Oregon; provided, however, if a claim must be brought in a federal forum, then it must be brought and conducted solely and exclusively within the United States District Court for the District of Oregon. CONTRACTOR HEREBY CONSENTS TO THE PERSONAL JURISDICTION OF THESE COURTS, WAIVES ANY OBJECTION TO VENUE IN THESE COURTS, AND WAIVES ANY CLAIM THAT THESE COURTS ARE INCONVENIENT FORUMS. In no way may this section or any other term of this Contract be construed as (i) a waiver by the State of Oregon of any form of defense or immunity, whether it is sovereign immunity, governmental immunity, immunity

based on the Eleventh Amendment to the Constitution of the United States, or otherwise, or (ii) consent by the State of Oregon to the jurisdiction of any court.

- C. <u>Severability</u>: If a court of competent jurisdiction declares, or the Parties agree that any term or provision of this Contract is illegal or in conflict with any other law, the remaining terms and provisions shall remain valid, and the rights and obligations of the Parties shall be construed and enforced as if this Contract did not contain the term or provision held be invalid.
- D. <u>Waiver</u>: Either Party's failure to enforce any provision of this Contract shall not constitute a waiver by the Party of that or any other provision.

#### 3. DEFINITIONS

- A. <u>Business Days</u>: means 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Pacific Time, Monday through Friday, excluding State of Oregon holidays.
- B. <u>Calendar Days</u>: mean contiguous days.
- C. <u>Case</u>: any action in this state in which an Attorney has been appointed or authorized to represent or advise a Client who has a right to an appointed Attorney at state expense.
- D. <u>Caseload</u>: is the number of Cases assigned to an Attorney on an annual basis.
- E. <u>Client</u>: a person determined to be eligible for representation by a court-appointed Attorney at state expense.
- F. <u>Client Data</u>: All data provided to, accessed by, or used by Contractor in connection with the Services provided to a Client under this Contract. Client Data may be provided by the Client, or by others during the pendency of a particular case, including, but not limited to, discovery or communication with prosecutors or the court. Client Data includes Confidential Client Data.
- G. <u>Confidential Client Data</u>: All Client Data that the Contractor has agreed to protect as confidential information, or for which Contractor has a duty of confidence to the Client under the Oregon Rules of Professional Conduct.
- H. <u>Contract</u>: means all terms and conditions herein, including documents incorporated by reference, and all attached Exhibits, as they may be amended from time to time.
- I. <u>Contract Administrator</u>: an individual who has been designated by Contractor to be responsible for duties prescribed in Section 18. This role is separate and distinct from the role of Contract Administrator as described under ORS 279A.159 and as defined below.
- J. <u>Effective Date</u>: means the date specified in Section 1 or the date on which this Contract is fully executed and approved according to applicable Laws, rules, and regulations, whichever is later.
- K. <u>Hourly Attorney</u> ("Attorney"): an attorney who accepts Case assignments to represent persons entitled to public defense services and be compensated on an hourly rate basis.
- L. <u>Misappropriation of Funds</u>: the appropriation of or use of funds received pursuant to this Contract for purposes other than those permitted by this Contract. The term shall include the disbursement of funds for which prior approval is required but is not obtained.
- M.<u>OPDC Contract Administrator:</u> means the OPDC officer, employee, or other individual designated in writing by OPDC to administer this Contract and who is so identified in Exhibit E Notice. The role is described under ORS 279A.159.
- N. OPDC Data or Agency Data: means all data and information that Contractor and Agency exchange in

connection with the Services. Agency Data may include Client Data.

- P. <u>Services</u>: means legal Services and appropriate support staff services, investigation, appropriate sentencing and disposition advocacy, including but not limited to interviews of Clients and potential witnesses, legal research, preparation and filing of pleadings, negotiations with the appropriate prosecutor or other agency and court regarding possible dispositions, and preparation for and appearance at all court proceedings. Services for which OPDC is to pay Contractor do not include fees and expenses authorized as routine expenses or preauthorized expenses as defined by OPDC.
- Q. <u>Reimbursable Expenses:</u> are reasonable and necessary Case-related out-of-pocket expenses, consistent with OPDC policies, that are neither considered overhead nor part of the hourly rate of a specific Service type.
  - R. Workload: The number of open Cases assigned to an Attorney at a given point in time.

#### 4. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR

Contractor is, for all purposes arising out of this Contract, an independent contractor, and neither Contractor, its successors, nor their employees, members, agents, or individual Attorneys are deemed employees of the State, OPDC or the federal government. Further, Contractor's Attorneys are not officers or agents of the State as defined in ORS 30.260 and 30.265. Contractor shall complete the requirements of this Contract according to Contractor's own means and methods of work, which shall be in the exclusive charge and control of Contractor, and which shall not be subject to control or supervision by OPDC, except as specified in this Contract.

#### 5. ASSIGNMENT AND SUBCONTRACTING

Contractor **may not** subcontract the services of this Contract without the written consent of OPDC. If Contractor wishes to subcontract, contractor shall submit a request in writing to OPDC. OPDC will review the request and respond in writing within 30 days. The subcontractor shall meet the provisions of this contract. It is the Contract Administrator's responsibility to ensure the subcontractors are meeting the contract requirements.

### 6. CONTRACTOR'S EMPLOYEES, MEMBERS, OFFICE, AND EQUIPMENT

Contractor shall ensure that all persons required to perform the Services required under this Contract have secured or will secure at their own expense, any necessary employees, office space, and equipment. Contractor agrees that all Attorneys performing Services pursuant to this Contract shall maintain access to an office at which Contractor can have confidential communication with public defense Clients. If Contractor takes Cases in more than one judicial district, then Contractor shall maintain an office proximate to one of the judicial districts in which they have contracted to provide Services and have access to confidential meeting space in any district where they take Cases when necessary.

#### 7. PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS

Any Attorney working under this Contract shall use their independent professional judgment in their representation at all proceedings related to the legal matters that are the subject of the representation.

Contractor agrees to provide Services and to comply with the requirements of this Contract, Oregon and federal judicial opinions regarding the right to counsel, and all applicable laws, standards and policies, including, but not limited to, the following:

- A. Oregon Rules of Professional Conduct;
- B. Oregon State Bar Performance Standards;
- C. American Bar Association Ten Principles of a Public Defense Delivery System; and
- D. OPDC Policies and Procedures.

Contractor agrees to adhere to the billing limitations in Exhibit B and the additional performance standards in Exhibit C.

#### 8. ATTORNEY TRAINING

Ongoing professional training is a necessity for an Attorney to keep abreast of changes and developments in the law, procedure, and court rules and to assure continued rendering of competent assistance of counsel. Contractor shall require sufficient training of all its Attorneys who perform work under this Contract, whether the training is provided in-house or through continuing legal education (CLE) programs accredited by the Oregon State Bar.

Contractor shall ensure that a) all of its Attorneys comply with the CLE requirements of the Oregon State Bar, and b) obtain 12 hours of CLE credit specific to their Contract during the Contract period.

#### 9. COMPENSATION AND METHOD OF PAYMENT

OPDC shall pay Contractor pursuant to the rates specified in Exhibit A, which may be amended during the Term of the Contract by mutual assent of the Parties. Payments will be made pursuant to the OPDC Billing and Invoice Submission Policy. Payments will be made by direct deposit into the account designated by Contractor. Compensation rates for Attorneys are determined by the types of Cases accepted. Appointed Attorneys will only be compensated for work on case types for which OPDC has certified their qualifications. An Attorney appointed to a Case for which OPDC has not certified qualifications must contact OPDC immediately to certify their qualification level, or move to withdraw from representation. All funds provided pursuant to this Contract are provided for the sole purpose of provision of Services.

Contractor shall not:

- A. Expend funds paid under this Contract for Services performed outside the scope of this Contract;
- B. Accept funds from anyone other than OPDC for Services performed under the scope of this Contract for a Client, except for grants or funds for work study, job experience, internships, or other such grants or funds; or
- C. Solicit or accept payment from a Client for Services on a matter within the scope of Services of this Contract or on a matter which Contractor has been appointed by the court.

If Contractor fails to substantially comply with any terms and conditions of this Contract, OPDC reserves the right to withhold any payment until corrective action described in Section 13 has been taken or completed. This option is in addition to and not in lieu of OPDC's right to terminate this Contract as provided in Section 14 of this Contract.

At the time this Contract is executed, sufficient funds either are available within the OPDC's current appropriation, limitation and expenditure authority or the funds are expected to become available to finance the costs of this Contract. However, payments under this Contract are subject to the availability and appropriation or allotment of funds or other expenditure authority from the Oregon Legislative Assembly (including its Emergency Board), sufficient to allow OPDC, in the exercise of its reasonable administrative discretion, to compensate Contractor. If the Oregon Legislative Assembly fails to approve sufficient appropriations, limitations, or expenditure authority to OPDC, OPDC may modify, suspend, or terminate this Contract. OPDC shall seek to apportion expenditure reductions equally and fairly among all public defense contract agencies. OPDC shall seek first to modify this Contract through negotiation with Contractor. In negotiating any modification, the Parties will consider the funds available, the legal requirements to provide representation that satisfies state and federal constitutional rights to effective

and adequate assistance of counsel, and the obligation of counsel to meet prevailing performance standards and rules of professional conduct. OPDC may unilaterally suspend or terminate this Contract if the Parties cannot agree to modification.

#### 10. ESTABLISHMENT AND MAINTENANCE OF RECORDS

- A. Contractor shall maintain accounts and records, including Client Data and Client Case files, personnel records, property records, and financial records in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that sufficiently and properly reflect all direct and indirect costs of Services performed in the performance of this Contract.
- B. Contractor's records must show that all disbursements or expenditures of Contract funds were ordinary, reasonable, and necessary, and related to providing direct Services required under this Contract or Services necessary to the performance of this Contract.
- C. Contractor shall maintain records pertaining to this Contract for a period of six (6) years or such longer period as may be required by applicable law, following final payment and termination of this Contract, or until the conclusion of any audit, controversy or litigation arising out of or related to this Contract, whichever date is later, unless permission to destroy the records is granted by OPDC. Contractor acknowledges and agrees that OPDC and the Oregon Secretary of State's Office and their duly authorized representatives may access such financial records and other Records that are pertinent to this Contract, whether in paper, electronic or other form, to perform examinations and audits and to make excerpts and transcripts.

In addition, Contractor shall retain all public defense Client Data and Client Case files as required by the Oregon State Bar, with a minimum of ten (10) years from the time of closure for all Cases except murder offenses, which must be preserved for a minimum of twenty (20) years.

#### 11. CONTRACTOR REPORTING AND INSPECTION

Contractor agrees to audits and inspections, and shall submit to OPDC reports, as prescribed below. Failure to comply with requested audits and inspections, or to submit required reports and records, may be considered a breach of this Contract and may result in OPDC withholding payment or invoking the Corrective Action procedures in Section 13 (Corrective Action).

#### A. OPDC Requested Reports

Contractor agrees to provide OPDC with reports during the Term of the Contract if OPDC determines that reporting obligations are necessary and OPDC provides a template to Contractor to submit the reports.

### B. Audit, Inspection, Records, and Confidentiality

Contractor shall grant OPDC full access to materials necessary to verify compliance with all terms of this Contract, including access to any entity audit required by state or federal law. At any time, upon ten (10) Business Days' notice, during business hours and as often as OPDC may reasonably deem necessary for the duration of this Contract and a period of six (6) years thereafter, Contractor shall provide to OPDC requested records or a right of access to its facilities to audit information relating to the matters covered by this Contract. Information that may be subject to any privilege or rules of confidentiality should be maintained by Contractor in a way that allows access by OPDC without breaching such confidentiality or privilege. Notwithstanding any of the above provisions of this paragraph, none of the Constitutional, statutory, and common law rights and privileges of any Client will be considered waived by actions taken under this section of this Contract. OPDC will respect the Attorney-Client privilege.

#### 12. EVALUATION OF CONTRACTOR

OPDC may review information to monitor Contractor activity, including Attorney Caseloads and Workloads, support staff/attorney ratios for each area of cases, the experience level and supervision of Attorneys who perform Services under this Contract, the amount and content of training provided to such Attorneys and the compensation provided to Attorneys and support staff to ensure Contractor is adhering to the terms and meeting the performance requirements of this Contract.

At the request of either Party, and at least twice per year, OPDC and Contractor shall meet to discuss Case assignment trends, and any other matters needed to determine Contract compliance or any necessary Contract modifications.

#### 13. CORRECTIVE ACTION

The provisions of Section 14 notwithstanding, if OPDC reasonably believes that a material breach of this Contract has occurred, warranting corrective action, OPDC may request corrective action, in which case the following sequential procedure shall apply:

- A. OPDC will notify Contractor in writing of the nature of the breach.
- B. Contractor shall respond in writing within five (5) Business Days of its receipt of such notification, which response shall present facts to show no breach exists or indicate the steps being taken to correct the specified deficiencies, and the proposed completion date for bringing Contractor into compliance.
- C. OPDC will notify Contractor in writing of OPDC's determination as to the sufficiency of Contractor's facts or corrective action plan. The determination of the sufficiency of Contractor's corrective action plan will be at OPDC's discretion and will take into consideration the reasonableness of the proposed corrective action in light of the alleged breach, as well as the magnitude of the deficiency in the context of this Contract as a whole. If Contractor does not concur with the determination, Contractor may request a review of the decision by OPDC's Executive Director. Contractor shall work with OPDC to implement an appropriate corrective action plan.

If Contractor does not respond to OPDC's notification within the appropriate time, or Contractor's corrective action plan for a substantial breach is determined by OPDC to be insufficient, OPDC may commence termination of this Contract in whole or in part pursuant to Section 14 (Contract Termination and Suspension).

In addition, OPDC reserves the right to withhold a portion of subsequent payments owed Contractor that are directly related to the breach of this Contract until OPDC is satisfied the corrective action has been taken or completed.

#### 14. CONTRACT TERMINATION AND SUSPENSION; WIND-DOWN

- A. OPDC may terminate this Contract in whole or in part upon ten (10) Business Days' written notice to Contractor if:
  - 1. Contractor materially breaches any duty, or obligation, or fails to adequately provide Services required pursuant to this Contract and for which OPDC determines the Corrective Action process prescribed in Section 13 is not reasonable or practicable;
  - 2. Contractor engages in Misappropriation of Funds; or
  - 3. The duties, obligations, or Services that Contractor must perform in accordance with this Contract

become illegal, or not feasible.

Before OPDC terminates this Contract pursuant to Section 14 A.1, in lieu of the Corrective Action process provided in Section 13, OPDC shall provide Contractor written notice of termination, which shall include the reasons for termination and the effective date of termination, Contractor shall have the opportunity to submit a written response to OPDC within five (5) Business Days from the date of OPDC's notice. If Contractor elects to submit a written response, OPDC will review the response and make a determination within five (5) Business Days after receipt of Contractor's response. OPDC may either terminate the Contract or notify Contractor that the issue has been resolved.

- B. OPDC may immediately terminate this Contract upon written notice if OPDC fails to receive funding, appropriations, limitations, allotments, or other expenditure authority as contemplated by OPDC's budget or spending plan and OPDC determines, in its assessment and ranking of the policy objectives explicit or implicit in its budget or spending plan, that it is necessary to terminate this Contract. Nothing in this Contract may be construed to permit any violation of Article XI, Section 7 of the Oregon Constitution or any other law regulating liabilities or monetary obligations of the State of Oregon. OPDC's payment for amounts due after the last Calendar Day of the current State of Oregon biennium is contingent upon OPDC receiving funding, appropriations, limitations, allotments or other expenditure authority from the Oregon Legislative Assembly (including its Emergency Board) sufficient to allow OPDC, in the exercise of its reasonable administrative discretion, to continue to compensate Contractor.
- C. Contractor may terminate this Contract with cause with 30 Business Days' written notice should OPDC materially breach any duty, obligation, or service pursuant to this Contract. Contractor may terminate this Contract without cause with 30 Business Days' written notice if Contractor is a sole proprietor.
- D. If this Contract expires or is terminated, Contractor shall continue to represent Clients that were previously assigned. OPDC and Contractor shall enact wind-down procedures as follows:
  - Contractor shall provide a list of all open Cases under this Contract to the OPDC Contract
    Administrator within seven (7) Business Days from the date of expiration or OPDC's final
    termination determination. For purposes of this section an open Case is defined as any Case
    that has not been closed per Case closure guidelines in Exhibit B.

The list must include the following information:

- a. Client name;
- b. Case number;
- c. Assignment date;
- d. Custody status; and
- e. Attorney assigned.
- 2. Case specific notes indicating status of Case and when withdrawal would be detrimental to the Client (e.g. impending trial or hearing, mental health issues, etc.).
- 3. The OPDC Contract Administrator will review the list of open Cases to determine which Cases should be reassigned and which should remain with current Attorney. For any Cases that are identified for reassignment the OPDC Contract Administrator will determine if any local contractors have capacity for additional assignments.

- 4. After the OPDC Contract Administrator completes their review, the OPDC Contract Administrator will provide a written recommendation to the Contractor based on the list of Cases provided. At that time, OPDC may request that Contractor attempt to withdraw from one or more Cases. If a motion to withdraw is not granted, and upon judicial verification continued representation is required, Contractor will continue to provide services
- 5. Any Cases taken by local contractors will be counted as new appointments.
- 6. Timelines for this process will be in keeping with Section 14 (Contract Termination and Suspension).
- 7. If termination is due to Misappropriation of Funds, non-performance of the Services, or fiscal mismanagement, Contractor shall return to OPDC those funds, unexpended or misappropriated, which, at the time of termination, have been paid to Contractor by OPDC.
- 8. Nothing in this Contract will be deemed to constitute a waiver by either Party of any legal right or remedy for wrongful termination or suspension of this Contract.

### 15. REQUIRED NOTIFICATIONS

Contractor shall immediately notify OPDC in writing if one of the following events occurs:

- A. <u>Bar Discipline</u>. When it becomes aware that a complaint lodged with the Oregon State Bar has resulted in discipline, reprimand, suspension, or disbarment of any Attorney who is a member of Contractor's staff or subcontractors from whom Contractor has obtained Services.
- B. <u>Criminal Charges or Conviction</u>. When it becomes aware that an Attorney or investigator performing Services under this Contract has been charged with or convicted of a crime.
- C. <u>Events Impacting Contractor's Ability to Perform Contract</u>. When it becomes aware of an event that impacts its ability to perform Services under this Contract including, but not limited to, events such as fire, flood, burglary, or other damage to offices, buildings, or equipment used by Contractor to provide Services.
- D. <u>Embezzlement or Misappropriation of Funds</u>. When it becomes aware of embezzlement or Misappropriation of Funds as defined in Section 3.
- E. <u>Ability to Perform Services to Clients</u>. When it becomes aware that Contractor is unable to perform Services to Clients.

#### **16. CONTRACTOR INSURANCE**

Without limiting Contractor's obligation to indemnify, Contractor shall maintain in force, at all times during the performance of this Contract, a policy or policies of insurance covering its operation as described below. Contractor shall provide a certificate of insurance or, upon written request of OPDC, a duplicate of the policy as evidence of insurance protection.

A.	<b>General Liability Insurance</b>	⊠Required	□Not Required	
Αt	its expense, in whole or in part fr	om Contract funds, Contract	tor, and each independe	nt member of

Contractor, shall procure and keep in effect during this Contract Term comprehensive general liability insurance that includes coverage for personal and advertising injury liability, products and completed operations, and contractual liability coverage for the indemnity provided under this Contract, with an extended coverage endorsement from an insurance company authorized to do business in the State of Oregon. The limits shall not be less than five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) per occurrence for personal injury and property damage.

## B. Professional Liability Insurance ⊠Required □Not Required

Contractor shall maintain, or ensure that its Attorneys maintain, professional liability insurance that covers any and all damages caused by an error, omission or any negligent acts related to the Services provided to Clients under this Contract that meets the minimum required as established by the Oregon State Bar.

## C. Workers' Compensation

□ As Required by Law

Contractor shall maintain Workers' Compensation coverage as required by the State of Oregon.

## D. Automobile Liability

⊠Required □Not Required

For all vehicles used in connection with the Services performed under this Contract, this Contractor (or its Attorneys) shall maintain automobile liability insurance with limits of not less than those required by the Oregon Financial Responsibility Law.

## E. Network Security and Privacy Liability

☑ Recommended ☐ Required

Contractor shall maintain network security and privacy liability insurance for the duration of this Contract and for the period of time during which this Contractor maintains, possesses, stores or has access to Agency and Client Data, whichever is longer, with a combined single limit of no less than \$100,000 for 10 or fewer attorneys, or \$250,000 for 11 or more attorneys, per claim or incident; it must include coverage for third-party claims and for losses, thefts, unauthorized disclosures, access or use of Agency Data or Client Data (which may include, but is not limited to, PII, Payment Card Data and Protected Health Information ("PHI")) as those terms are defined in the Oregon Consumer Privacy Act and the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, in any format, including coverage for accidental loss, theft, unauthorized disclosure access or use of the data.

Contractor's network security and privacy liability insurance must provide coverage for the unauthorized disclosure of Client Data, particularly Confidential Client Data, at a level no less than that provided by or recommended by the Oregon State Bar.

## 17. HOLD HARMLESS AND INDEMNIFICATION

Contractor shall protect, indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the State of Oregon, OPDC and their officers, employees and agents from all liability, obligations, damages, losses, claims, suits, or actions of whatever nature that are related to, result from, or arise out of Contractor's employees' or agents' actions, decisions, work, advice, activities, or failures to act under this Contract. Notwithstanding the above, Contractor has no duty to indemnify, defend, or hold harmless the State of Oregon or OPDC for OPDC's actions, decisions, work, activities, or failures to act related to this Contract.

Related to Contractor's duty to indemnify OPDC and the State of Oregon, the Oregon Attorney General must give written authorization to any legal counsel purporting to act in the name of, or represent the interest of, the State or its officers, employees and agents prior to such action or representation. The State, acting by and through its Department of Justice, may assume its own defense, including that of its

officers, employees and agents, at any time.

Contractor's obligation to pay for all costs and expenses include those incurred by the State in assuming its own defense and that of its officers, employees, or agents.

#### 18. RESPONSIBILITY OF CONTRACTOR'S CONTRACT ADMINISTRATOR

Contractor shall name one designated Contract Administrator, specified in Exhibit E. Typical Contract administration duties include, without limitation, the following:

- A. Fill vacancies promptly as they occur for positions needed to provide Services under this Contract;
- B. Promptly assign Cases in accordance with Attorney qualification level and core staff standards and oversee Case assignments;
- C. Ensure timely and accurate reporting to OPDC;
- D. Manage and disburse Contract funds;
- E. Work with OPDC to attend regular meetings to review data and to ensure sufficient support to achieve program expectations;
- F. Consult with judges, court staff, and other system partners to ensure high quality representation and efficient Case processing;
- G. Correspond with OPDC regarding Contract inquiries or complaints, including changes in Attorneys and staff that might impact Contractor's ability to meet their Contractual obligations;
- H. Maintain all Case reporting, financial, and other records regarding this Contract and records created as a result of Services performed and make such records (except Confidential Client Data) available to OPDC upon request;
- I. Negotiate new contracts and Contract changes with OPDC as necessary;
- J. Actively participate in system improvement initiatives and meetings prescribed in this section, including multi-disciplinary training and partner meetings and providing training and mentorship to Attorneys and core staff;
- K. Ensure adoption and timely submission of a Attorney succession plan to OPDC as specified in Section E of Exhibit C.

## 19. COMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE LAW

#### A. Compliance with Law.

Contractor shall comply with all federal, state, and local laws, regulations, and ordinances applicable to its status as an entity and the Services to be performed under this Contract. Such laws include, but are not limited to, the following laws, regulations and executive orders to the extent they are applicable to this Contract: (i) Titles VI and VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended; (ii) Title V and Sections 503 and 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended; (iii) the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 and ORS 659A.142, as amended; (iv) the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, as amended by the Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health (HITECH) Act portion of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA), including the Privacy and Security Rules found at 45 CFR Parts 160 and 164, as the law and its implementing regulations may be updated from time to time; (v) the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967, as amended, and the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended; (vi) the Vietnam Era Veterans' Readjustment Assistance Act of 1974, as amended; (vii) Section 188 of the Workforce Investment Act (WIA) of 1998, as amended; (viii) ORS Chapter 659, as amended; (ix) all regulations and administrative rules established pursuant to the foregoing laws; and (x) all other

applicable requirements of federal and state civil rights and rehabilitation statutes, rules and regulations. These laws, regulations and executive orders are incorporated by reference to the extent that they are applicable to this Contract and required by law to be so incorporated.

## B. Contractor's Compliance with Tax Laws.

Contractor shall, throughout the Term of this Contract, comply with all tax laws of this state and all applicable tax laws of any political subdivision of this state. Any violation of this subsection constitutes a material breach of this Contract. Further, any violation of Contractor's warranty in Section 29.F of this Contract, also constitutes a material breach of this Contract. Any violation entitles OPDC to pursue any or all of the remedies available under this Contract, at law or in equity, including but not limited to:

- 1. Termination of this Contract, in whole or in part;
- 2. Exercise of the right of setoff, or garnishment, if applicable, and withholding of amounts otherwise due and owing to Contractor, in an amount equal to State's setoff right, without penalty; and
- 3. Initiation of an action or proceeding for damages, specific performance, declaratory or injunctive relief. OPDC shall be entitled to recover any and all damages suffered as the result of Contractor's breach of this Contract.

These remedies are cumulative to the extent the remedies are not inconsistent, and OPDC may pursue any remedy or remedies singly, collectively, successively, or in any order whatsoever.

## C. Pay Equity Requirements.

As required by ORS 279B.235, Contractor shall comply with ORS 652.220 and not unlawfully discriminate against any of its employees in the payment of wages or other compensation for work of comparable character on the basis of an employee's membership in a protected class. "Protected class" means a group of persons distinguished by race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, marital status, veteran status, disability, or age. Contractor's compliance with this section is a material Term of this Contract, and Contractor's failure to comply constitutes a breach entitling OPDC to terminate this Contract or any Contract for cause.

Further, Contractor may not prohibit any of its employees from discussing the employee's rate of wage, salary, benefits, or other compensation with another employee or another person. Contractor shall not retaliate against an employee who discusses the employee's rate of wage, salary, benefits, or other compensation with another employee or another person.

#### D. Oregon False Claims Act.

Contractor acknowledges the Oregon False Claims Act, ORS 180.750 to 180.785, applies to any action by Contractor pertaining to this Contract that constitutes a "claim" (as defined by ORS 180.750(1)). By its execution of this Contract, Contractor certifies the truthfulness, completeness, and accuracy of any statement or claim it has made, it makes, it may make, or causes to be made that pertains to this Contract. In addition to other penalties that may be applicable, Contractor further acknowledges that if it makes, or causes to be made, a false claim or performs a prohibited act under the Oregon False Claims Act, the Oregon Attorney General may enforce the liabilities and penalties provided by the Oregon False Claims Act against Contractor. Contractor understands and agrees that any remedy that may be available under the Oregon False Claims Act is in addition to any other remedy available to the State or OPDC under this Contract or any Contract or any other provision of law.

#### E. <u>Disclosure of Social Security Number</u>.

Contractor shall provide Contractor's Social Security number unless Contractor provides a federal tax identification number. This number is requested pursuant to ORS 305.385, OAR 125-246-0330(2)(d), and OAR 150-305.100. Social Security numbers provided pursuant to this authority will be used for the administration of state, federal, and local tax laws.

#### F. Recyclable Products Requirement.

Contractor shall use recyclable products to the maximum extent economically feasible in the performance of the Services described in this Contract.

#### G. Prompt Payment Requirements.

Contractor shall:

- 1. Make payment promptly, as due, to all persons supplying to Contractor labor or material for the performance of the Services provided for in this Contract.
- 2. Not permit any lien or claim to be filed or prosecuted against the state or a county, school district, municipality, municipal corporation or subdivision thereof, on account of any labor or material furnished.
- 3. Pay to the Department of Revenue all sums withheld from employees under ORS 316.167.
- 4. This does not apply to Services to support the legal representation of Clients assigned to Contractor that are approved and paid directly by OPDC through either OPDC routine expenses or preauthorized expenses.

#### 20. NONDISCRIMINATION

During the performance of this Contract, neither Contractor nor any party subcontracting with Contractor under the authority of this Contract shall discriminate on the basis of race, color, sex, religion, national origin, creed, marital status, age, sexual orientation, or the presence of any sensory, mental, or physical handicap in employment or application for employment or in the administration or delivery of Services or any other benefit under this Contract.

Contractor shall comply fully with all applicable federal, state, and local laws, ordinances, executive orders, and regulations which prohibit such discrimination.

#### 21. CONFLICT OF INTEREST

#### A. Interest of Members of OPDC and Contractor.

As required by ORS 244.120, no officer, employee, or agent of OPDC, or the State of Oregon, who exercises any functions or responsibility in connection with the planning and implementation of the Services funded herein may have any personal financial interest, direct or indirect, in this Contract, or Contractor without prior disclosure and approval as defined by ORS 244.130.

#### B. Interests of Contractor Contract Administrators and Officers.

Contractor shall not acquire or rent real and/or personal property owned or rented by (a) an OPDC Contract Administrator, (b) an individual related to an OPDC Contract Administrator, or (c) a corporation owned by an OPDC Contract Administrator, or (d) a relative of an OPDC Contract Administrator, without prior disclosure and approval by OPDC.

#### 22. AMENDMENTS

The Parties may amend this Contract to the extent permitted by applicable statutes and administrative rules. No amendment to this Contract is effective unless it is in writing, is signed by the Parties, and has been approved as required by applicable law.

#### 23. FORCE MAJEURE

Neither Agency nor Contractor may be held responsible for delay or default caused by fire, riot, acts of God, terrorist acts, or other acts of political sabotage, or war where such cause was beyond the reasonable control of Agency or Contractor, respectively. Contractor shall, however, make all reasonable efforts to remove or eliminate such a cause of delay or default and shall, upon the cessation of the cause, diligently pursue performance of its obligations under this Contract.

#### 24. TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE

Contractor agrees that time is of the essence under this Contract.

#### 25. NOTICE

Except as otherwise expressly provided in this Contract, any communications between the Parties hereto or notices to be given hereunder must be given in writing by email, personal delivery, facsimile, or mailing the same, postage prepaid, to Contractor or Agency at the email address, postal address or telephone number set forth in this Contract, or to such other addresses or numbers as either Party may indicate pursuant to this Section 25. Any communication or notice so addressed and mailed is effective five Business Days after mailing. Any communication or notice delivered by facsimile is effective on the day the transmitting machine generates a receipt of the successful transmission, if transmission was during normal business hours, or on the next business day, if transmission was outside normal business hours of the recipient. To be effective against Agency, any notice transmitted by facsimile must be confirmed by telephone notice to the OPDC Contract Administrator. Any communication or notice given by personal delivery is effective when actually delivered. Any notice given by email is effective when the sender receives confirmation of delivery, either by return email, or by demonstrating through other technological means that the email has been delivered to the intended email address.

### 26. NO THIRD-PARTY BENEFICIARIES

Agency and Contractor are the only Parties to this Contract and are the only Parties entitled to enforce the terms of this Contract. Nothing in this Contract gives, is intended to give, or may be construed to give or provide any benefit or right not held by or made generally available to the public, whether directly, indirectly or otherwise, to third persons unless such third persons are individually identified by name herein and expressly described as intended beneficiaries of the terms of this Contract.

#### 27. SURVIVAL

All rights and obligations cease upon termination or expiration of this Contract, except for the rights and obligations and declarations which expressly or by their nature survive termination of this Contract, including without limitation this Section 27, and provisions regarding Contract definitions, warranties and liabilities, independent Contractor status and taxes and withholding, maximum compensation, Contractor's duties of confidentiality, ownership and license of intellectual property and Deliverables, confidentiality and non-disclosure, Contractor's representations and warranties, control of defense and settlement, remedies, return of Agency property, dispute resolution, order of precedence, maintenance and access to records, notices, severability, successors and assigns, third party beneficiaries, waiver, headings, and integration.

#### 28. ORDER OF PRECEDENCE

This Contract incorporates the following documents that are listed in descending order of precedence:

- A. The terms and conditions of this Contracts, less its exhibits;
- B. Exhibit B (Billing Limitations);
- C. Exhibit C (Additional Performance Requirements);
- D. Exhibit D (Reserved);
- E. Exhibit A (Compensation); and
- F. Exhibit E (Notice).

#### 29. REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES

Contractor represents and warrants to OPDC that:

- A. Contractor is not an "officer," "employee," or "agent" of OPDC, as those terms are used in ORS 30.265;
- B. Contractor is not in arrears in the payment of any monies due and owing the State of Oregon, or any department or agency thereof, including but not limited to the payment of taxes and employee benefits, and will not become so during the Term of this Contract;
- C. Contractor has no undisclosed liquidated and delinquent debt owed to the State or any agency, board, commission, department or division of the State;
- D. Contractor is not in violation of, charged with nor, to the best of Contractor's knowledge, under any investigation with respect to violation of, any provision of any federal, state or local law, ordinance or regulation or any other requirement or order of any governmental or regulatory body or court or arbitrator applicable to provision of the Services, and Contractor's provision of the Services shall not violate any such law, ordinance, regulation or order;
- E. To the best of Contractor's knowledge, Contractor's performance under this Contract creates no potential or actual conflict of interest, as defined by ORS 244, for either Contractor or any Contractor personnel that will perform the Services under this Contract;
- F. Contractor (to the best of Contractor's knowledge), for a period of no fewer than six calendar years preceding the Effective Date, faithfully has complied with:
  - 1. All tax laws of this State, including but not limited to ORS 305.380(4), ORS 305.620 and ORS chapters 316, 317, and 318;
  - **2.** Any tax provisions imposed by a political subdivision of this State that applied to Contractor, to Contractor's property, operations, receipts, or income, or to Contractor's performance of or compensation for any Services performed by Contractor;
  - **3.** Any tax provisions imposed by a political subdivision of this state that applied to Contractor, or to goods, services, or property, whether tangible or intangible, provided by Contractor; and
  - **4.** Any rules, regulations, charter provisions, or ordinances that implemented or enforced any of the foregoing tax laws or provisions.

#### **30. MERGER CLAUSE**

This Contract, together with Exhibits A, B, C, D, and E, including any amendments thereto constitutes the entire agreement between the Parties. There are no other oral or written understandings, agreements, or representation regarding this Contract. No waiver, consent, modification, or change of

the terms of this Contract shall bind either Party unless made in writing and signed by both Parties. If made, such waiver, consent, modification, or change shall be effective only in the specific instance and for the specific purpose given. Contractor, by the signature below of its authorized representative hereby acknowledges that it and all attorneys providing Services pursuant to this Contract, have read this Contract, understand it, and agree to be bound by its terms.

#### 31. CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH TAX LAWS

The individual signing this Contract on behalf of Contractor certifies, under penalty of perjury, that to best of the individual's knowledge, Contractor is not in violation of any tax laws described in ORS 305.380(4).

Agreed:		
«Contractor_Name»:		
Signature: Authorized Signature or Designee	Date:	
Print Name, Title:		
Federal Tax ID:	Oregon Tax ID:	
Oregon Public Defense Commission		
Signature:	Date:	
Print Name: OPDC Director or Designee		

## **Legal Sufficiency Approval:**

Exempt from review under ORS 291.047 by Letter of Exemption Dated September 16, 2025

they are qualified:			
☐ Murder Lead Counsel	□Juvenile Waiver Counsel		☐ Juvenile Dependency
☐ Murder Co-counsel	☐ Juvenile Waiver Co-Counsel		☐ Termination of Parental Rights
☐ Major Felony	☐ Juvenile Murder		☐ Civil Commitment
☐ Lesser Felony	☐ Juvenile Major Felony		☐ Contempt
☐ Misdemeanor	☐ Juvenile Lesser Felony		☐ Habeas Corpus
	☐ Juvenile Misdemeanor		☐ Post-Conviction Relief – Murder
			☐ Post-Conviction Relief – Other
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☐ Jackon ☐ Multnomah ☐ Umatilla ☐ Hood River ☐ Baker ☐ Wallowa ☐ Klamath ☐ Curry ☐ Clatsop ☐ Benton ☐ Linn ☐ Yamhill ☐ ALL COUNTIES	□ Lane □ Clackamas □ Wasco □ Sherman □ Malheur □ Deschutes □ Josephine □ Douglas □ Columbia □ Crook □ Harney □ Lake	☐ Marion ☐ Morrow ☐ Wheeler ☐ Gilliam ☐ Union ☐ Polk ☐ Coos ☐ Lincoln ☐ Washingto ☐ Jefferson ☐ Grant ☐ Tillamook	n

At a minimum Contractor is willing to accept appointment on the following case types for which

#### **EXHIBIT A – COMPENSATION**

The compensation for this Contract is detailed below. These amounts may be amended:

- 1. By mutual assent of the Parties;
- 2. By OPDC, in response to the breach, corrective action, and termination provisions established in Sections 13 and 14.

#### A. Payment Schedule

OPDC will provide payment for properly submitted invoices, pursuant to OPDC's Invoice Submission Form Procedure.

OPDC will pay via direct deposit within 45 days of receipt of the invoice and OPDC approval. Attorneys are required to invoice at least monthly.

## **B.** Hourly Rates

Hourly Rates are determined and paid in accordance with the <u>OPDC Hourly</u> <u>Service and Expense Rate Policy</u>.

## C. Reimbursable Expenses

OPDC shall review each request for Reimbursable Expenses and determine whether the amount is consistent with OPDC policies, necessary, reasonable, and properly payable from public defense funds. Pre-authorization does not guarantee payment of any fee or expense that is later determined to be not necessary or not reasonable at the time the fee or expense was incurred. If OPDC determines that the expense is not necessary or reasonable, the invoice may be denied.

#### **EXHIBIT B – BILLING LIMITATIONS FOR HOURLY CONTRACT**

Contractor agrees that it will provide Services in accord with the following limitations:

- A. When Contractor is offered appointments to represent Clients, and to provide Services in accord with this Contract to those Clients, it will not accept appointment if doing so would violate the Oregon Rules of Professional Conduct. Contractor agrees that it will only accept appointments to case types for which the assigned Attorneys are qualified and for which they have capacity to represent competently. Contractor shall not accept appointments on hourly Cases that would cause an attorney to exceed 1,000 billable hours in a year without seeking and receiving OPDC approval.
- B. <u>Workload</u>: Contractor agrees that it will monitor Attorney workloads to ensure those attorneys can meet their ethical obligations to each of their Clients. Contractor agrees to adhere to the Oregon Rules of Professional Conduct and the ABA's *Eight Guidelines of Public Defense Related to Excessive Workloads*.
- C. <u>Case Closure:</u> An Attorney may not close a Case that has been entered into a deferral, diversion, or conditional discharge agreement until the final judgment has been entered into the court register. Contractor shall close a Client's Case when:
  - 1. The final judgment or order has been entered into the court register, and the Contractor has met all other contractual obligations:
    - a. If the appointment was for a probation violation, the Attorney shall close the Case upon disposition of the probation violation.
    - b. A judgment of dismissal constitutes a final judgment.
  - 2. A judge has signed an order removing the attorney from the Case; or
  - 3. A bench warrant for a Client's failure to appear has been active for 180 days.

## **EXHIBIT C – ADDITIONAL PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR HOURLY CONTRACT**

Contractor shall provide Services in accordance with the following:

- A. <u>Continuity of Representation</u>: Continuity of representation at all stages of a Case, sometimes referred to as "vertical representation", promotes efficiency, thoroughness of representation, and positive Attorney/Client relations. Contractor agrees to make reasonable efforts to continue the initial attorney assigned to a Client throughout all Cases for that Client during the Term of this Contract. Nothing in this section prohibits Contractor from making necessary staff changes or staff rotations at reasonable intervals, or from assigning a single Attorney to handle an aspect of legal proceedings for all Clients where such method of assignment is in the best interest of the eligible Clients affected by such method of assignment.
- B. <u>Client Contact:</u> An Attorney must conduct a Client interview as soon as practicable after representation begins. For Clients who are in custody, the initial interview should take place no more than 48 hours after appointment. For out of custody Clients, initial outreach to schedule an initial interview should occur no more than 72 hours after appointment. After the initial Client interview, Attorneys shall establish a procedure to maintain regular contact with the Client to:
  - 1. Explain the allegations and nature of the proceedings;
  - 2. Meet the ongoing needs of the Client;
  - 3. Obtain necessary information from the Client
  - 4. Consult with the Client about decisions affecting the course of the defense,
  - 5. Conduct a conflict check; and
  - 6. Respond to requests from the Client for information or assistance concerning the Case.
- C. <u>Conflicts/Withdrawal:</u> Conflicts of interest may arise in numerous situations in the representation of Clients. Contractor shall screen all Cases for conflict as soon as possible upon assignment and as needed throughout the discovery process. Conflict decisions will be governed by the Oregon Rules of Professional Conduct. If a conflict rises to the point where withdrawal is necessary, Contractor shall
  - 1. Promptly notify the court;
  - 2. Ensure continuous representation of the Client until withdrawal is granted; and
  - 3. If withdrawal is allowed by the court, assist in the prompt establishment of a new Attorney/Client relationship once a new attorney is appointed.
- D. Attorney Departure/Continuous Representation. When a public defense attorney leaves Contractor, they shall comply with the Oregon Rules of Professional Conduct and may not move to withdraw from their Cases without contacting OPDC and obtaining OPDC's written permission. If a public defense attorney leaves a Contractor and continues doing public defense work funded by OPDC, the Attorney shall take their existing Cases with them unless OPDC authorizes otherwise. If authorized, the Attorney shall work collaboratively with their former Contractor, their new contractor (if any), and OPDC to ensure the due administration of justice and to protect the rights of their existing Clients. In no event may an Attorney withdraw from their Cases without ensuring that representation of a Client will continue.

## E. Attorney Succession:

- 1. Contractor shall maintain a written contingency plan addressing actions when an Attorney becomes unable to accept public defense cases under the Contract. Contractor shall:
  - a) Provide to OPDC the name and contact information for the individual who knows the location of the firm's Client files, digital files including any passwords necessary to access files or information, and who has agreed to facilitate access to that information to any other Attorney taking over the cases.
  - b) Maintain a plan for ensuring Clients receive adequate communication in the event of the Attorney's incapacity.
- 2. Contractor shall facilitate succession plans in the event of an Attorney's departure from this Contract. When an Attorney departs this Contract:
  - a) Contractor shall work with OPDC to ensure that the Attorney's Caseload is covered with as little disruption to the Client's cases as possible; and
  - b) Contractor shall make reasonable efforts to reassign the departing Attorney's Cases within the Contract before transferring them to other local contracts.
  - c) If no local contractors are available, OPDC may assign cases to the OPDC Trial Division, non-contract hourly counsel, or request that cases be placed on OJD's unrepresented list.
- 3. Contractor shall ensure Attorneys working under this Contract take the reasonable steps to ensure Client Case files are up to date and include:
  - a) the most recent Client contact information;
  - b) pending deadlines;
  - c) the names of any experts and investigators retained on the Case; and
  - d) any other information that would assist a subsequent Attorney in advocating on the Client's behalf.
- 4. An Attorney who leaves Contractor's employment may complete Attorney's previously assigned Caseload in the event Attorney is unable or unwilling to accept new appointments.
- 5. Contractor shall ensure Clients continue to receive representation when an Attorney leaves Contractor's employment.
- F. <u>Transition Planning:</u> Contractor shall ensure departing Attorneys work with their OPDC Contract Administrator to verify the transition and reporting plan. If the Attorney is unable to continue representation of their Cases and is allowed to withdraw by the court, the Contractor's Contract Administrator and OPDC will collaborate to reassign the Cases.

- G. <u>Proceedings Specifically Not Required:</u> Representation under this Contract specifically excludes matters related to Department of Motor Vehicle license suspension hearings, civil forfeiture proceedings, domestic relations, probate proceedings, and other civil proceedings not otherwise provided for under this Contract. Representation in these matters may be undertaken at an attorney's discretion pro bono.
- H. <u>Pre-appointment representation</u>. Where an individual would be eligible for appointed counsel at state expense if charged with a crime, but exigent circumstances preclude an appointment order, upon written approval from OPDC.

Contractor may commence representation of a Client prior to appointment by the court in order to preserve and protect the rights of the Client. In determining whether to authorize preappointment representation, the OPDC will consider whether:

- 1. The individual is a clear target of an investigation that could result in criminal charges;
- 2. The Contractor has a good faith basis to conclude the individual seeks counsel;
- 3. It is reasonable for the Contractor to believe the person qualifies for public defense counsel; and
- 4. The Case is of a magnitude for which pre-indictment/petition appointment is reasonable.
- I. Representation Obligations Following the Commencement of Proceedings: Contractor shall ensure the following occurs during the pendency of a case, through judgment or final order of the court, including, but not limited to:
  - Ensure that the assigned Attorney provides representation at all scheduled hearings and court proceedings. An Attorney must appear for their own Cases but may arrange coverage for nonsubstantive hearings if needed;
  - 2. Seek pretrial release of all detained Clients when the Client so desires;
  - 3. File timely and appropriate motions;
  - 4. File or arrange for the filing of petitions for writ of mandamus or habeas corpus arising from the Case on which an Attorney is appointed. OPDC may have special counsel for this case type and Attorneys may request special counsel;
  - 5. Devote sufficient time to interviewing and counseling Clients;
  - 6. Ensure investigation is conducted;
  - 7. Consult with and/or retain all necessary experts or other professional service providers utilizing the PAE system if necessary;
  - 8. Pursue all avenues of discovery from the prosecution, both formal and informal;
  - 9. Review all available discovery in each Case. Clients may waive this obligation after consultation with attorney. Attorney should obtain waiver in writing for the file;

- 10. Conduct or supervise sufficient legal research to fully understand and prepare legal briefings on Client's Case; and
- 11. Sufficiently prepare for all hearings, trials, and sentencings; and
- 12. Obtain and review all applicable records including, but not limited to, medical, dental, school, employment, military, and mental health records.
- J. <u>Post-Judgment Obligations</u>: Following the entry of judgment or other final order in a Case, Attorney shall provide post-judgment representation in accordance with the Oregon Rules of Professional Conduct, including, but not limited to:
  - 1. Seek modification or amendment of any judgment or final order that does not accurately reflect terms of sentencing or other disposition favorable to the Client that were agreed upon in resolution of the Case or pronounced by the court and through inadvertence or error, were not correctly included in a judgment or final order;
  - 2. Litigate issues of restitution arising from the Case until a judgment on restitution is entered by the court;
  - 3. Complete questionnaires, forms, or other processes necessary to timely obtain an appellate attorney for Clients requesting an appeal;
  - 4. Seek court orders or other remedies on behalf of a Client if a term of sentencing or other disposition favorable to the Client is not followed or implemented by a probation department, Department of Corrections, the Department of Human Services, the Oregon Youth Authority, or other entity having authority over the Client in connection with the subject of the representation;
  - 5. File a motion for new trial;
  - 6. File motions for reduction of certain felonies to misdemeanors, pursuant to ORS 161.705, when merited and requested by a former Client;
  - 7. Consult with an attorney representing the Client on appeal or in post-conviction relief proceedings arising from the subject of the representation; and
  - 8. Upon request, provide copies of the entire file to appellate or post-conviction relief attorney.

## EXHIBIT D RESERVED

## EXHIBIT E NOTICE

A. For purposes of providing notice pursuant to Section 25, each Party shall provide notice to the other's Contract Administrator, except for notices described in B. and C. below. All notices shall be given to the appropriate representative of Contractor or OPDC at the addresses specified in this Exhibit E:

## **Contractor's Contract Administrator for this Contract is:**

«Contractor\_Name» «Contractor\_Email»

#### **OPDC'S Contract Administrator for this Contract is:**

«OPDC\_Administrator» «OPDC\_Email»

- B. Contractor shall provide notice to OPDC regarding any Vacancies in this Contract using the <u>Vacancy</u> <u>Form</u> located on the OPDC website.
- C. Contractor shall provide notice to OPDC regarding Contractor's inability to accept appointments to represent eligible clients using the <u>Contractor Shutoff Form</u> located on the OPDC website.