

AUTHORIZATION TO RETAIN THE SERVICES OF M. BEATRIZ ARIAS, PH. D., TO CONDUCT HISTORICAL REVIEW OF THE DISTRICT'S BILINGUAL EDUCATION PROGRAM AND OFFER

THE GENERAL COUNSEL REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

DESCRIPTION: The Board authorized a focused analysis of the district's progress in achieving the federal desegregation consent decree to which it has been subject since 1980. The

department seeks to retain several individuals to conduct a comprehensive review of the district's education programs, bilingua education programs, transportation and facility maintenance and con

Following the experts' review, we anticipate that each will generate a summary report assessing historical achievements and, correspondingly, identifying and making recommendations wherein we need improvement. The Board will then use that information to

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and State grants relative to the improvement of bilingual education resources. She has received numerous federal awards and fellowships and has provided expert/consultant services in a number of public school desegregation cases across the nation, including Texas (2000-01), Oakland, California (1984-85), Denver Colorado (1981-84), Chicago, Illinois (1980), Los Angeles California (1978-80), and Santa Barbara California (1979).

In addition to reviewing the multitude of bilingual materials maintained by the district, Dr. Arias will conduct on site visits to district schools which are historically significant to the district's bilingua student population. Dr. Arias ultimately will provide detailed analyses and opinions on the issue of the district's compliance with the consent decree bilingua program goals, presently and historically, and offer recommendations for the future. We expect that a draft report will issue in April of 2002.

As detailed in attached prospectus prepared by Dr. Arias, the projected cost for her complete services will be approximately \$28,000. The cost estimate is based on an estimated consulting time of 200 hours. Dr. Arias will be paid in two installments — one on February 28, 2002 and the second on April 5, 2002. The General Counsel requested that she submit hourly billing statements to the law department on a monthly basis.

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

\$25,000.00 to Law Department - Legal and Supportive Services - Professional L FINANCIAL: Chair

CONDITIONS:

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Each party to the agreement shall acknowledge that, in accordance with US CS 5/34- Inspector General -
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that the Inspector General shall have access to all information and personnel necessary investigations and th
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Contractors in agreement shall be responsible for the performance of their contracts during the one
year period following expiration or other termination of their terms of office.

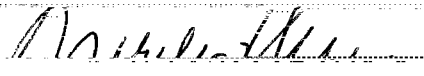
The Board's Indebtedness Policy adopted July 26, 1995 (95-0726-EX3) as amended from Indebtedness
time to time, is hereby incorporated into and made a part of the agreement.

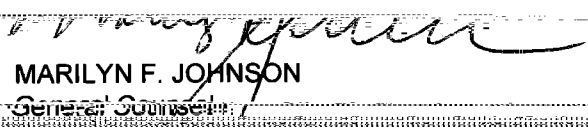
Ethics - The Board's Ethics Code adopted September 27, 1995, (95-0927-RU3), as amended from time to
time, is hereby incorporated into and made a part of the agreement.

the current fiscal
budget(s).

Contingent Liability - The agreement shall contain the clause that any expenditure beyond the
year is deemed a contingent liability, subject to appropriation in the subsequent fiscal year by

Approved 




MARILYN F. JOHNSON
General Counsel

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