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#### CONTRACT FOR SERVICES OF INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR

A Contract Between the State of Nevada Acting by and Through its

Agency Name:	Department of Administration Deferred Compensation Program
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WHEREAS, NRS 333.700 authorizes officers, departments, institutions, boards, commissions, and other agencies in the Executive Department of the State Government which derive their support from public money in whole or in part to engage, subject to the approval of the Board of Examiners (BOE), services of persons as independent contractors; and

WHEREAS, it is deemed that the service of Contractor is both necessary and in the best interests of the State of Nevada.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the aforesaid premises, the parties mutually agree as follows:

1. **REQUIRED APPROVAL.** This Contract shall not become effective until and unless approved by the Nevada State Board of Examiners.

#### 2. **DEFINITIONS**.

- A. "State" means the State of Nevada and any State agency identified herein, its officers, employees and immune contractors as defined in NRS 41.0307.
- B. "Contracting Agency" means the State agency identified above.
- C. "Contractor" means the person or entity identified above that performs services and/or provides goods for the State under the terms and conditions set forth in this Contract.
- D. "Fiscal Year" means the period beginning July 1st and ending June 30th of the following year.
- E. "Contract" Unless the context otherwise requires, "Contract" means this document entitled Contract for Services of Independent Contractor and all Attachments or Incorporated Documents.

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- F. "Contract for Independent Contractor" means this document entitled Contract for Services of Independent Contractor exclusive of any Attachments or Incorporated Documents.
- 3. **CONTRACT TERM.** This Contract shall be effective as noted below, unless sooner terminated by either party as specified in *Section 10, Contract Termination*. Contract is subject to Board of Examiners' approval.

Effective from: June 1, 2020	То:	May 31, 2025
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- 4. **NOTICE.** All communications, including notices, required or permitted to be given under this Contract shall be in writing and directed to the parties at the addresses stated above. Notices may be given: (i) by delivery in person; (ii) by a nationally recognized next day courier service, return receipt requested; or (iii) by certified mail, return receipt requested. If specifically requested by the party to be notified, valid notice may be given by facsimile transmission or electronic mail to the address(es) such party has specified in writing.
- 5. **INCORPORATED DOCUMENTS**. The parties agree that this Contract, inclusive of the following attachments, specifically describes the scope of work. This Contract incorporates the following attachments in descending order of constructive precedence:

ATTACHMENT AA:	NEGOTIATED POINTS
ATTACHMENT BB:	STATE SOLICITATION OR RFP # 08DOA-S935
ATTACHMENT BB:	INSURANCE SCHEDULE
ATTACHMENT CC:	CONTRACTOR'S RESPONSE

Any provision, term or condition of an Attachment that contradicts the terms of this Contract for Independent Contractor, or that would change the obligations of the State under this Contract for Independent Contractor, shall be void and unenforceable.

6. **CONSIDERATION**. The parties agree that Contractor will provide the services specified in *Section 5, Incorporated Documents* at a cost as noted below:

\$60,000.00 \$62,000.00 \$38,000.00 \$8,500.00		per	Year (year 1-4) Year (year 5) Vendor Search Compliance Search per occurance
Total Contract or installments pay	able at:	As invoiced b	by vendor and accepted by the State
Total Contract Not to Exceed:	\$357,0	00.00	

The State does not agree to reimburse Contractor for expenses unless otherwise specified in the incorporated attachments. Any intervening end to a biennial appropriation period shall be deemed an automatic renewal (not changing the overall Contract term) or a termination as the result of legislative appropriation may require.

- 7. **ASSENT.** The parties agree that the terms and conditions listed on incorporated attachments of this Contract are also specifically a part of this Contract and are limited only by their respective order of precedence and any limitations specified.
- 8. **BILLING SUBMISSION: TIMELINESS.** The parties agree that timeliness of billing is of the essence to the Contract and recognize that the State is on a Fiscal Year. All billings for dates of service prior to July 1 must be submitted to the state no later than the first Friday in August of the same calendar year. A billing submitted after the first Friday in August, which forces the State to process the billing as a stale claim pursuant to NRS 353.097, will subject Contractor to an administrative fee not to exceed one hundred dollars (\$100.00). The parties hereby agree this is a reasonable estimate of

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the additional costs to the state of processing the billing as a stale claim and that this amount will be deducted from the stale claim payment due to Contractor.

#### 9. INSPECTION & AUDIT.

- A. <u>Books and Records</u>. Contractor agrees to keep and maintain under generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) full, true and complete records, contracts, books, and documents as are necessary to fully disclose to the State or United States Government, or their authorized representatives, upon audits or reviews, sufficient information to determine compliance with all State and federal regulations and statutes.
- B. <u>Inspection & Audit</u>. Contractor agrees that the relevant books, records (written, electronic, computer related or otherwise), including, without limitation, relevant accounting procedures and practices of Contractor or its subcontractors, financial statements and supporting documentation, and documentation related to the work product shall be subject, at any reasonable time, to inspection, examination, review, audit, and copying at any office or location of Contractor where such records may be found, with or without notice by the State Auditor, the relevant State agency or its contracted examiners, the department of Administration, Budget Division, the Nevada State Attorney General's Office or its Fraud Control Units, the state Legislative Auditor, and with regard to any federal funding, the relevant federal agency, the Comptroller General, the General Accounting Office, the Office of the Inspector General, or any of their authorized representatives. All subcontracts shall reflect requirements of this Section.
- C. <u>Period of Retention</u>. All books, records, reports, and statements relevant to this Contract must be retained a minimum three (3) years, and for five (5) years if any federal funds are used pursuant to the Contract. The retention period runs from the date of payment for the relevant goods or services by the state, or from the date of termination of the Contract, whichever is later. Retention time shall be extended when an audit is scheduled or in progress for a period reasonably necessary to complete an audit and/or to complete any administrative and judicial litigation which may ensue.

#### 10. CONTRACT TERMINATION.

- A. <u>Termination Without Cause</u>. Regardless of any terms to the contrary, this Contract may be terminated upon written notice by mutual consent of both parties. The State unilaterally may terminate this contract without cause by giving not less than thirty (30) days' notice in the manner specified in *Section 4, Notice*. If this Contract is unilaterally terminated by the State, Contractor shall use its best efforts to minimize cost to the State and Contractor will not be paid for any cost that Contractor could have avoided.
- B. <u>State Termination for Non-Appropriation.</u> The continuation of this Contract beyond the current biennium is subject to and contingent upon sufficient funds being appropriated, budgeted, and otherwise made available by the State Legislature and/or federal sources. The State may terminate this Contract, and Contractor waives any and all claims(s) for damages, effective immediately upon receipt of written notice (or any date specified therein) if for any reason the contracting Agency's funding from State and/or federal sources is not appropriated or is withdrawn, limited, or impaired.
- C. <u>Termination with Cause for Breach</u>. A breach may be declared with or without termination. A notice of breach and termination shall specify the date of termination of the Contract, which shall not be sooner than the expiration of the Time to Correct, if applicable, allowed under subsection 10D. This Contract may be terminated by either party upon written notice of breach to the other party on the following grounds:
  - 1) If Contractor fails to provide or satisfactorily perform any of the conditions, work, deliverables, goods, or services called for by this Contract within the time requirements specified in this Contract or within any granted extension of those time requirements; or
  - 2) If any state, county, city, or federal license, authorization, waiver, permit, qualification or certification required by statute, ordinance, law, or regulation to be held by Contractor to provide the goods or services required by this Contract is for any reason denied, revoked, debarred, excluded, terminated, suspended, lapsed, or not renewed; or

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- 3) If Contractor becomes insolvent, subject to receivership, or becomes voluntarily or involuntarily subject to the jurisdiction of the Bankruptcy Court; or
- 4) If the State materially breaches any material duty under this Contract and any such breach impairs Contractor's ability to perform; or
- 5) If it is found by the State that any quid pro quo or gratuities in the form of money, services, entertainment, gifts, or otherwise were offered or given by Contractor, or any agent or representative of Contractor, to any officer or employee of the State of Nevada with a view toward securing a contract or securing favorable treatment with respect to awarding, extending, amending, or making any determination with respect to the performing of such contract; or
- 6) If it is found by the State that Contractor has failed to disclose any material conflict of interest relative to the performance of this Contract.
- D. <u>Time to Correct</u>. Unless the breach is not curable, or unless circumstances do not permit an opportunity to cure, termination upon declared breach may be exercised only after service of formal written notice as specified in *Section 4, Notice*, and the subsequent failure of the breaching party within fifteen (15) calendar days of receipt of that notice to provide evidence, satisfactory to the aggrieved party, showing that the declared breach has been corrected. Upon a notice of breach, the time to correct and the time for termination of the contract upon breach under subsection 10C, above, shall run concurrently, unless the notice expressly states otherwise.
- E. <u>Winding Up Affairs Upon Termination</u>. In the event of termination of this Contract for any reason, the parties agree that the provisions of this Section survive termination:
  - The parties shall account for and properly present to each other all claims for fees and expenses and pay those which are undisputed and otherwise not subject to set off under this Contract. Neither party may withhold performance of winding up provisions solely based on nonpayment of fees or expenses accrued up to the time of termination;
  - 2) Contractor shall satisfactorily complete work in progress at the agreed rate (or a pro rata basis if necessary) if so requested by the Contracting Agency;
  - 3) Contractor shall execute any documents and take any actions necessary to effectuate an assignment of this Contract if so requested by the Contracting Agency;
  - 4) Contractor shall preserve, protect and promptly deliver into State possession all proprietary information in accordance with Section 21, State Ownership of Proprietary Information.
- 11. **REMEDIES**. Except as otherwise provided for by law or this Contract, the rights and remedies of the parties shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or equity, including, without limitation, actual damages, and to a prevailing party reasonable attorneys' fees and costs. For purposes of an award of attorneys' fees to either party, the parties stipulate and agree that a reasonable hourly rate of attorneys' fees shall be one hundred and fifty dollars (\$150.00) per hour. The State may set off consideration against any unpaid obligation of Contractor to any State agency in accordance with NRS 353C.190. In the event that Contractor voluntarily or involuntarily becomes subject to the jurisdiction of the Bankruptcy Court, the State may set off consideration against any unpaid obligation of Contractor to the State or its agencies, to the extent allowed by bankruptcy law, without regard to whether the procedures of NRS 353C.190 have been utilized.
- 12. **LIMITED LIABILITY**. The State will not waive and intends to assert available NRS Chapter 41 liability limitations in all cases. Contract liability of both parties shall not be subject to punitive damages. Damages for any State breach shall never exceed the amount of funds appropriated for payment under this Contract, but not yet paid to Contractor, for the Fiscal Year budget in existence at the time of the breach. Contractor's tort liability shall not be limited.
- 13. **FORCE MAJEURE**. Neither party shall be deemed to be in violation of this Contract if it is prevented from performing any of its obligations hereunder due to strikes, failure of public transportation, civil or military authority, act of public enemy, accidents, fires, explosions, or acts of God, including without limitation, earthquakes, floods, winds, or storms. In

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such an event the intervening cause must not be through the fault of the party asserting such an excuse, and the excused party is obligated to promptly perform in accordance with the terms of the Contract after the intervening cause ceases.

- 14. **INDEMNIFICATION AND DEFENSE**. To the fullest extent permitted by law, Contractor shall indemnify, hold harmless and defend, not excluding the State's right to participate, the State from and against all liability, claims, actions, damages, losses, and expenses, including, without limitation, reasonable attorneys' fees and costs, arising out of any breach of the obligations of Contractor under this contract, or any alleged negligent or willful acts or omissions of Contractor, its officers, employees and agents. Contractor's obligation to indemnify the State shall apply in all cases except for claims arising solely from the State's own negligence or willful misconduct. Contractor waives any rights of subrogation against the State. Contractor's duty to defend begins when the State requests defense of any claim arising from this Contract.
- 15. **REPRESENTATIONS REGARDING INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR STATUS.** Contractor represents that it is an independent contractor, as defined in NRS 333.700(2) and 616A.255, warrants that it will perform all work under this contract as an independent contractor, and warrants that the State of Nevada will not incur any employment liability by reason of this Contract or the work to be performed under this Contract. To the extent the State incurs any employment liability for the work under this Contract; Contractor will reimburse the State for that liability.
- 16. **INSURANCE SCHEDULE.** Unless expressly waived in writing by the State, Contractor must carry policies of insurance and pay all taxes and fees incident hereunto. Policies shall meet the terms and conditions as specified within this Contract along with the additional limits and provisions as described in *Attachment BB*, incorporated hereto by attachment. The State shall have no liability except as specifically provided in the Contract.

Contractor shall not commence work before Contractor has provided the required evidence of insurance to the Contracting Agency. The State's approval of any changes to insurance coverage during the course of performance shall constitute an ongoing condition subsequent to this Contract. Any failure of the State to timely approve shall not constitute a waiver of the condition.

- A. <u>Insurance Coverage</u>. Contractor shall, at Contractor's sole expense, procure, maintain and keep in force for the duration of the Contract insurance conforming to the minimum limits as specified in *Attachment BB*, incorporated hereto by attachment. Unless specifically stated herein or otherwise agreed to by the State, the required insurance shall be in effect prior to the commencement of work by Contractor and shall continue in force as appropriate until:
  - 1) Final acceptance by the State of the completion of this Contract; or
  - 2) Such time as the insurance is no longer required by the State under the terms of this Contract; whichever occurs later.

Any insurance or self-insurance available to the State shall be in excess of and non-contributing with, any insurance required from Contractor. Contractor's insurance policies shall apply on a primary basis. Until such time as the insurance is no longer required by the State, Contractor shall provide the State with renewal or replacement evidence of insurance no less than thirty (30) days before the expiration or replacement of the required insurance. If at any time during the period when insurance is required by the Contract, an insurer or surety shall fail to comply with the requirements of this Contract, as soon as Contractor has knowledge of any such failure, Contractor shall immediately notify the State and immediately replace such insurance or bond with an insurer meeting the requirements.

- B. General Requirements.
  - <u>Additional Insured</u>: By endorsement to the general liability insurance policy, the State of Nevada, its officers, employees and immune contractors as defined in NRS 41.0307 shall be named as additional insureds for all liability arising from the Contract.
  - 2) <u>Waiver of Subrogation</u>: Each insurance policy shall provide for a waiver of subrogation against the State of Nevada, its officers, employees and immune contractors as defined in NRS 41.0307 for losses arising from work/materials/equipment performed or provided by or on behalf of Contractor.
  - 3) <u>Cross Liability</u>: All required liability policies shall provide cross-liability coverage as would be achieved under the standard ISO separation of insureds clause.

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- 4) <u>Deductibles and Self-Insured Retentions</u>: Insurance maintained by Contractor shall apply on a first dollar basis without application of a deductible or self-insured retention unless otherwise specifically agreed to by the State. Such approval shall not relieve Contractor from the obligation to pay any deductible or self-insured retention. Any deductible or self-insured retention shall not exceed fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00) per occurrence, unless otherwise approved by the Risk Management Division.
- 5) <u>Policy Cancellation</u>: Except for ten (10) days notice for non-payment of premiums, each insurance policy shall be endorsed to state that without thirty (30) days prior written notice to the State of Nevada, c/o Contracting Agency, the policy shall not be canceled, non-renewed or coverage and/or limits reduced or materially altered, and shall provide that notices required by this Section shall be sent by certified mail to the address shown on page one (1) of this contract.
- 6) <u>Approved Insurer</u>: Each insurance policy shall be:
  - a) Issued by insurance companies authorized to do business in the State of Nevada or eligible surplus lines insurers acceptable to the State and having agents in Nevada upon whom service of process may be made; and
  - b) Currently rated by A.M. Best as "A-VII" or better.
- C. Evidence of Insurance.

Prior to the start of any work, Contractor must provide the following documents to the contracting State agency:

 <u>Certificate of Insurance</u>: The Acord 25 Certificate of Insurance form or a form substantially similar must be submitted to the State to evidence the insurance policies and coverages required of Contractor. The certificate must name the State of Nevada, its officers, employees and immune contractors as defined in NRS 41.0307 as the certificate holder. The certificate should be signed by a person authorized by the insurer to bind coverage on its behalf. The State project/Contract number; description and Contract effective dates shall be noted on the certificate, and upon renewal of the policies listed, Contractor shall furnish the State with replacement certificates as described within Section 16A, Insurance Coverage.

### Mail all required insurance documents to the State Contracting Agency identified on Page one of the Contract.

- 2) <u>Additional Insured Endorsement</u>: An Additional Insured Endorsement (CG 20 10 11 85 or CG 20 26 11 85), signed by an authorized insurance company representative, must be submitted to the State to evidence the endorsement of the State as an additional insured per *Section 16B, General Requirements*.
- 3) <u>Schedule of Underlying Insurance Policies</u>: If Umbrella or Excess policy is evidenced to comply with minimum limits, a copy of the underlying Schedule from the Umbrella or Excess insurance policy may be required.
- 4) <u>Review and Approval</u>: Documents specified above must be submitted for review and approval by the State prior to the commencement of work by Contractor. Neither approval by the State nor failure to disapprove the insurance furnished by Contractor shall relieve Contractor of Contractor's full responsibility to provide the insurance required by this Contract. Compliance with the insurance requirements of this Contract shall not limit the liability of Contractor or its subcontractors, employees or agents to the State or others, and shall be in additional to and not in lieu of any other remedy available to the State under this Contract or otherwise. The State reserves the right to request and review a copy of any required insurance policy or endorsement to assure compliance with these requirements.
- 17. **COMPLIANCE WITH LEGAL OBLIGATIONS.** Contractor shall procure and maintain for the duration of this Contract any state, county, city or federal license, authorization, waiver, permit qualification or certification required by statute, ordinance, law, or regulation to be held by Contractor to provide the goods or services required by this Contract. Contractor shall provide proof of its compliance upon request of the Contracting Agency. Contractor will be responsible to pay all taxes, assessments, fees, premiums, permits, and licenses required by law. Real property and personal property

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taxes are the responsibility of Contractor in accordance with NRS 361.157 and NRS 361.159. Contractor agrees to be responsible for payment of any such government obligations not paid by its subcontractors during performance of this Contract.

- 18. WAIVER OF BREACH. Failure to declare a breach or the actual waiver of any particular breach of the Contract or its material or nonmaterial terms by either party shall not operate as a waiver by such party of any of its rights or remedies as to any other breach.
- 19. **SEVERABILITY.** If any provision contained in this Contract is held to be unenforceable by a court of law or equity, this Contract shall be construed as if such provision did not exist and the non-enforceability of such provision shall not be held to render any other provision or provisions of this Contract unenforceable.
- 20. ASSIGNMENT/DELEGATION. To the extent that any assignment of any right under this Contract changes the duty of either party, increases the burden or risk involved, impairs the chances of obtaining the performance of this Contract, attempts to operate as a novation, or includes a waiver or abrogation of any defense to payment by State, such offending portion of the assignment shall be void, and shall be a breach of this Contract. Contractor shall neither assign, transfer nor delegate any rights, obligations nor duties under this Contract without the prior written consent of the State.
- 21. **STATE OWNERSHIP OF PROPRIETARY INFORMATION**. Any data or information provided by the State to Contractor and any documents or materials provided by the State to Contractor in the course of this Contract ("State Materials") shall be and remain the exclusive property of the State and all such State Materials shall be delivered into State possession by Contractor upon completion, termination, or cancellation of this Contract.
- 22. **PUBLIC RECORDS.** Pursuant to NRS 239.010, information or documents received from Contractor may be open to public inspection and copying. The State has a legal obligation to disclose such information unless a particular record is made confidential by law or a common law balancing of interests. Contractor may label specific parts of an individual document as a "trade secret" or "confidential" in accordance with NRS 333.333, provided that Contractor thereby agrees to indemnify and defend the State for honoring such a designation. The failure to so label any document that is released by the State shall constitute a complete waiver of any and all claims for damages caused by any release of the records.
- 23. **CONFIDENTIALITY**. Contractor shall keep confidential all information, in whatever form, produced, prepared, observed or received by Contractor to the extent that such information is confidential by law or otherwise required by this Contract.
- 24. **FEDERAL FUNDING**. In the event federal funds are used for payment of all or part of this Contract, Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable federal laws, regulations and executive orders, including, without limitation the following:
  - A. Contractor certifies, by signing this Contract, that neither it nor its principals are presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any federal department or agency. This certification is made pursuant to Executive Orders 12549 and 12689 and Federal Acquisition Regulation subpart 9.4, and any relevant program-specific regulations. This provision shall be required of every subcontractor receiving any payment in whole or in part from federal funds.
  - B. Contractor and its subcontracts shall comply with all terms, conditions, and requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (P.L. 101-136), 42 U.S.C. 12101, as amended, and regulations adopted thereunder, including 28 C.F.R. Section 35, inclusive, and any relevant program-specific regulations.
  - C. Contractor and it subcontractors shall comply with the requirements of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (P.L. 88-352), as amended, the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (P.L. 93-112), as amended, and any relevant program-specific regulations, and shall not discriminate against any employee or offeror for employment because of race, national origin, creed, color, sex, religion, age, disability or handicap condition (including AIDS and AIDS-related conditions.)
- 25. **LOBBYING.** The parties agree, whether expressly prohibited by federal law, or otherwise, that no funding associated with this Contract will be used for any purpose associated with or related to lobbying or influencing or attempting to lobby or influence for any purpose the following:
  - A. Any federal, state, county or local agency, legislature, commission, council or board;

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- B. Any federal, state, county or local legislator, commission member, council member, board member, or other elected official; or
- C. Any officer or employee of any federal, state, county or local agency; legislature, commission, council or board.
- 26. **GENERAL WARRANTY**. Contractor warrants that all services, deliverables, and/or work products under this Contract shall be completed in a workmanlike manner consistent with standards in the trade, profession, or industry; shall conform to or exceed the specifications set forth in the incorporated attachments; and shall be fit for ordinary use, of good quality, with no material defects.
- 27. **PROPER AUTHORITY**. The parties hereto represent and warrant that the person executing this Contract on behalf of each party has full power and authority to enter into this Contract. Contractor acknowledges that as required by statute or regulation this Contract is effective only after approval by the State Board of Examiners and only for the period of time specified in the Contract. Any services performed by Contractor before this Contract is effective or after it ceases to be effective are performed at the sole risk of Contractor.
- 28. **DISCLOSURES REGARDING CURRENT OR FORMER STATE EMPLOYEES.** For the purpose of State compliance with NRS 333.705, Contractor represents and warrants that if Contractor, or any employee of Contractor who will be performing services under this Contract, is a current employee of the State or was employed by the State within the preceding 24 months, Contractor has disclosed the identity of such persons, and the services that each such person will perform, to the Contracting Agency.
- 29. ASSIGNMENT OF ANTITRUST CLAIMS. Contractor irrevocably assigns to the State any claim for relief or cause of action which Contractor now has or which may accrue to Contractor in the future by reason of any violation of State of Nevada or federal antitrust laws in connection with any goods or services provided under this Contract.
- 30. **GOVERNING LAW: JURISDICTION.** This Contract and the rights and obligations of the parties hereto shall be governed by, and construed according to, the laws of the State of Nevada, without giving effect to any principle of conflict-of-law that would require the application of the law of any other jurisdiction. The parties consent to the exclusive jurisdiction of and venue in the First Judicial District Court, Carson City, Nevada for enforcement of this Contract, and consent to personal jurisdiction in such court for any action or proceeding arising out of this Contract.
- 31. ENTIRE CONTRACT AND MODIFICATION. This Contract and its integrated attachment(s) constitute the entire agreement of the parties and as such are intended to be the complete and exclusive statement of the promises, representations, negotiations, discussions, and other agreements that may have been made in connection with the subject matter hereof. Unless an integrated attachment to this Contract specifically displays a mutual intent to amend a particular part of this Contract, general conflicts in language between any such attachment and this Contract shall be construed consistent with the terms of this Contract. Unless otherwise expressly authorized by the terms of this Contract, no modification or amendment to this Contract shall be binding upon the parties unless the same is in writing and signed by the respective parties hereto and approved by the Office of the Attorney General and the State Board of Examiners. This Contract, and any amendments, may be executed in counterparts.
  - 32. PROXY VOTING. Consultant does not exercise proxy voting authority over client securities. The obligation to vote client proxies at all times rests with Client. However, Client is not precluded from contacting Consultant for advice or information about a particular proxy vote. However, Consultant will not be deemed to have proxy voting authority as a result of providing such advice to Client. Should Consultant inadvertently receive proxy information for a security held in the Plan's account, Consultant will immediately forward such information to Client, but will not take any further action with respect to the

voting of such proxy. Upon termination of this Agreement, Consultant will make a good faith and reasonable attempt to forward proxy information inadvertently received by Consultant on Client's behalf to the forwarding address provided by Client.

- 33. RISK. Client recognizes that there may be loss or depreciation of the value of any investment due to the fluctuation of market values. Client represents that no party to this Agreement has made any guarantee, either oral or written, that the Plan's investment objectives will be achieved. Consultant will not be liable for any error in judgment and/or for any investment losses in the absence of malfeasance, negligence or violation of applicable law. Nothing in this Agreement will constitute a waiver or limitation of any rights which Client may have under applicable state or federal law, including without limitation state and federal securities laws.
- 34. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RECEIPT OF PART 2 FORM ADV. Client acknowledges that it has received and has had an opportunity to read Consultant's firm brochure (Form ADV, Part 2A) and applicable brochure supplements (Form ADV, Part 2B) prior to, or at the time of, entering into this Agreement.
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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Contract to be signed and intend to be legally bound thereby.

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State of Nevada Authorized Signature	03/25/2020 Date	Executive Officer Title
State of Nevada Authorized Signature	Date	Title
State of Nevada Authorized Signature	Date	Title
Signature - Board of Examiners		APPROVED BY BOARD OF EXAMINERS
Signature – Board of Examiners	On:	5,12,2020 Date
Approved as to form by:	On: General	26 Murch ZO Date

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Email:	rboehmer@defcomp.nv.gov

Contractor Name:	Voya Institutional Plan Services, LLC
Address:	One Orange Way
City, State, Zip Code:	Windsor, CT 06095
Contact:	M. Bishop Bastein, Vice President, Institutional Clients
Phone:	916-774-7595
Fax:	612-492-0682
Email:	Bishop.bastien@voya.com

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- F. "Contract for Independent Contractor" means this document entitled Contract for Services of Independent Contractor exclusive of any Attachments or Incorporated Documents.

3. **CONTRACT TERM.** This Contract shall be effective as noted below, unless sooner terminated by either party as specified in *Section 10, Contract Termination*. Contract is subject to Board of Examiners' approval (anticipated to be August 13, 2019).

Effective from:	January 1, 2020	То:	December 31, 2025	ļ
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- 4. **NOTICE.** All communications, including notices, required or permitted to be given under this Contract shall be in writing and directed to the parties at the addresses stated above. Notices may be given: (i) by delivery in person; (ii) by a nationally recognized next day courier service, return receipt requested; or (iii) by certified mail, return receipt requested. If specifically requested by the party to be notified, valid notice may be given by facsimile transmission or electronic mail to the address(es) such party has specified in writing.
- 5. **INCORPORATED DOCUMENTS.** The parties agree that this Contract, inclusive of the following attachments, specifically describes the scope of work. This Contract incorporates the following attachments in descending order of constructive precedence:

ATTACHMENT AA: NEGOTIATED ITEMS 457(b) Plan including the following documents: Nego Points; Administrative Service Agreement; Participation Rate Goals; Plan Ser Guarantees; Custodial Agreement and VRA Investment Advisory Service Agr including disclosure statement form ADV parts 2A and 2B.	
ATTACHMENT BB:	INSURANCE SCHEDULE
ATTACHMENT CC:	STATE SOLICITATION OR RFP 08DOA-S514 and AMENDMENT #1
ATTACHMENT DD:	CONTRACTOR'S BEST AND FINAL RESPONSE
ATTACHMENT EE:	CONTRACTOR'S RESPONSE

Any provision, term or condition of an Attachment that contradicts the terms of this Contract for Independent Contractor, or that would change the obligations of the State under this Contract for Independent Contractor, shall be void and unenforceable.

6. **CONSIDERATION**. The parties agree that Contractor will provide the services specified in *Section 5, Incorporated Documents* at a cost as noted below:

at a cost of \$14.50 per participant account annually. Additionally, a flat \$450 fee will be assessed to a participant requesting the Contractor to develop and administrate any Qualified Domestic Relations Order (QDRO), and a \$100 Loan Set-up fee will be assessed to any qualifying participant who requests a loan of their account per the parameters established in the Program's adopted Plan Document. Contractor shall pay the State a one-time fee of \$42,750 for the cost related to the Request for Proposal process, payable immediately upon approval of this contract by the Board of Examiners. The Contractor will develop and record keep an administration account on behalf of the Plan to deposit collected administrative revenue into and will be invested in the Contractor's proprietary stable value fixed investment option; the Plan will regularly draft out of the Administrative account to fund the Program's approved annual budget and any other approved Program related expenses. The total estimated contract value including anticipated Program growth is approximately \$1,338,900.00

The State does not agree to reimburse Contractor for expenses unless otherwise specified in the incorporated attachments. Any intervening end to a biennial appropriation period shall be deemed an automatic renewal (not changing the overall Contract term) or a termination as the result of legislative appropriation may require.

7. ASSENT. The parties agree that the terms and conditions listed on incorporated attachments of this Contract are also specifically a part of this Contract and are limited only by their respective order of precedence and any limitations specified.

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8. **BILLING SUBMISSION: TIMELINESS.** The parties agree that timeliness of billing is of the essence to the Contract and recognize that the State is on a Fiscal Year. All billings for dates of service prior to July 1 must be submitted to the state no later than the first Friday in August of the same calendar year. A billing submitted after the first Friday in August, which forces the State to process the billing as a stale claim pursuant to NRS 353.097, will subject Contractor to an administrative fee not to exceed one hundred dollars (\$100.00). The parties hereby agree this is a reasonable estimate of the additional costs to the state of processing the billing as a stale claim and that this amount will be deducted from the stale claim payment due to Contractor.

#### 9. INSPECTION & AUDIT.

- A. <u>Books and Records</u>. Contractor agrees to keep and maintain under generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) full, true and complete records, contracts, books, and documents as are necessary to fully disclose to the State or United States Government, or their authorized representatives, upon audits or reviews, sufficient information to determine compliance with all State and federal regulations and statutes.
- B. Inspection & Audit. Contractor agrees that the relevant books, records (written, electronic, computer related or otherwise), including, without limitation, relevant accounting procedures and practices of Contractor or its subcontractors, financial statements and supporting documentation, and documentation related to the work product shall be subject, at any reasonable time, to inspection, examination, review, audit, and copying at any office or location of Contractor where such records may be found, with or without notice by the State Auditor, the relevant State agency or its contracted examiners, the department of Administration, Budget Division, the Nevada State Attorney General's Office or its Fraud Control Units, the state Legislative Auditor, and with regard to any federal funding, the relevant federal agency, the Comptroller General, the General Accounting Office, the Office of the Inspector General, or any of their authorized representatives. All subcontracts shall reflect requirements of this Section.
- C. <u>Period of Retention</u>. All books, records, reports, and statements relevant to this Contract must be retained a minimum three (3) years, and for five (5) years if any federal funds are used pursuant to the Contract. The retention period runs from the date of payment for the relevant goods or services by the state, or from the date of termination of the Contract, whichever is later. Retention time shall be extended when an audit is scheduled or in progress for a period reasonably necessary to complete an audit and/or to complete any administrative and judicial litigation which may ensue.

#### 10. CONTRACT TERMINATION.

- A. <u>Termination Without Cause</u>. Regardless of any terms to the contrary, this Contract may be terminated upon written notice by mutual consent of both parties. The State unilaterally may terminate this contract without cause by giving not less than thirty (30) days' notice in the manner specified in *Section 4, Notice*. If this Contract is unilaterally terminated by the State, Contractor shall use its best efforts to minimize cost to the State and Contractor will not be paid for any cost that Contractor could have avoided.
- B. <u>State Termination for Non-Appropriation</u>. The continuation of this Contract beyond the current biennium is subject to and contingent upon sufficient funds being appropriated, budgeted, and otherwise made available by the State Legislature and/or federal sources. The State may terminate this Contract, and Contractor waives any and all claims(s) for damages, effective immediately upon receipt of written notice (or any date specified therein) if for any reason the contracting Agency's funding from State and/or federal sources is not appropriated or is withdrawn, limited, or impaired.
- C. <u>Termination with Cause for Breach</u>. A breach may be declared with or without termination. A notice of breach and termination shall specify the date of termination of the Contract, which shall not be sooner than the expiration of the Time to Correct, if applicable, allowed under subsection 10D. This Contract may be terminated by either party upon written notice of breach to the other party on the following grounds:
  - 1) If Contractor fails to provide or satisfactorily perform any of the conditions, work, deliverables, goods, or services called for by this Contract within the time requirements specified in this Contract or within any granted extension of those time requirements; or

- 2) If any state, county, city, or federal license, authorization, waiver, permit, qualification or certification required by statute, ordinance, law, or regulation to be held by Contractor to provide the goods or services required by this Contract is for any reason denied, revoked, debarred, excluded, terminated, suspended, lapsed, or not renewed; or
- 3) If Contractor becomes insolvent, subject to receivership, or becomes voluntarily or involuntarily subject to the jurisdiction of the Bankruptcy Court; or
- 4) If the State materially breaches any material duty under this Contract and any such breach impairs Contractor's ability to perform; or
- 5) If it is found by the State that any quid pro quo or gratuities in the form of money, services, entertainment, gifts, or otherwise were offered or given by Contractor, or any agent or representative of Contractor, to any officer or employee of the State of Nevada with a view toward securing a contract or securing favorable treatment with respect to awarding, extending, amending, or making any determination with respect to the performing of such contract; or
- 6) If it is found by the State that Contractor has failed to disclose any material conflict of interest relative to the performance of this Contract.
- D. <u>Time to Correct</u>. Unless the breach is not curable, or unless circumstances do not permit an opportunity to cure, termination upon declared breach may be exercised only after service of formal written notice as specified in *Section 4, Notice*, and the subsequent failure of the breaching party within fifteen (15) calendar days of receipt of that notice to provide evidence, satisfactory to the aggrieved party, showing that the declared breach has been corrected. Upon a notice of breach, the time to correct and the time for termination of the contract upon breach under subsection 10C, above, shall run concurrently, unless the notice expressly states otherwise.
- E. <u>Winding Up Affairs Upon Termination</u>. In the event of termination of this Contract for any reason, the parties agree that the provisions of this Section survive termination:
  - The parties shall account for and properly present to each other all claims for fees and expenses and pay those which are undisputed and otherwise not subject to set off under this Contract. Neither party may withhold performance of winding up provisions solely based on nonpayment of fees or expenses accrued up to the time of termination;
  - 2) Contractor shall satisfactorily complete work in progress at the agreed rate (or a pro rata basis if necessary) if so requested by the Contracting Agency;
  - 3) Contractor shall execute any documents and take any actions necessary to effectuate an assignment of this Contract if so requested by the Contracting Agency;
  - 4) Contractor shall preserve, protect and promptly deliver into State possession all proprietary information in accordance with Section 21, State Ownership of Proprietary Information.
- 11. **REMEDIES**. Except as otherwise provided for by law or this Contract, the rights and remedies of the parties shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or equity, including, without limitation, actual damages, and to a prevailing party reasonable attorneys' fees and costs. For purposes of an award of attorneys' fees to either party, the parties stipulate and agree that a reasonable hourly rate of attorneys' fees shall be one hundred and fifty dollars (\$150.00) per hour. The State may set off consideration against any unpaid obligation of Contractor to any State agency in accordance with NRS 353C.190. In the event that Contractor voluntarily or involuntarily becomes subject to the jurisdiction of the Bankruptcy Court, the State may set off consideration against any unpaid obligation of Contractor to the State or its agencies, to the extent allowed by bankruptcy law, without regard to whether the procedures of NRS 353C.190 have been utilized.
- 12. LIMITED LIABILITY. The State will not waive and intends to assert available NRS Chapter 41 liability limitations in all cases. Contract liability of both parties shall not be subject to punitive damages. Damages for any State breach shall

never exceed the amount of funds appropriated for payment under this Contract, but not yet paid to Contractor, for the Fiscal Year budget in existence at the time of the breach. Contractor's tort liability shall not be limited.

- 13. FORCE MAJEURE. Neither party shall be deemed to be in violation of this Contract if it is prevented from performing any of its obligations hereunder due to strikes, failure of public transportation, civil or military authority, act of public enemy, accidents, fires, explosions, or acts of God, including without limitation, earthquakes, floods, winds, or storms. In such an event the intervening cause must not be through the fault of the party asserting such an excuse, and the excused party is obligated to promptly perform in accordance with the terms of the Contract after the intervening cause ceases.
- 14. INDEMNIFICATION AND DEFENSE. To the fullest extent permitted by law, Contractor shall indemnify, hold harmless and defend, not excluding the State's right to participate, the State from and against all liability, claims, actions, damages, losses, and expenses, including, without limitation, reasonable attorneys' fees and costs, arising out of any breach of the obligations of Contractor under this contract, or any alleged negligent or willful acts or omissions of Contractor, its officers, employees and agents. Contractor's obligation to indemnify the State shall apply in all cases except for claims arising solely from the State's own negligence or willful misconduct. Contractor waives any rights of subrogation against the State. Contractor's duty to defend begins when the State requests defense of any claim arising from this Contract.
- 15. **REPRESENTATIONS REGARDING INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR STATUS.** Contractor represents that it is an independent contractor, as defined in NRS 333.700(2) and 616A.255, warrants that it will perform all work under this contract as an independent contractor, and warrants that the State of Nevada will not incur any employment liability by reason of this Contract or the work to be performed under this Contract. To the extent the State incurs any employment liability for the work under this Contract; Contractor will reimburse the State for that liability.
- 16. **INSURANCE SCHEDULE.** Unless expressly waived in writing by the State, Contractor must carry policies of insurance and pay all taxes and fees incident hereunto. Policies shall meet the terms and conditions as specified within this Contract along with the additional limits and provisions as described in *Attachment BB*, incorporated hereto by attachment. The State shall have no liability except as specifically provided in the Contract.

Contractor shall not commence work before Contractor has provided the required evidence of insurance to the Contracting Agency. The State's approval of any changes to insurance coverage during the course of performance shall constitute an ongoing condition subsequent to this Contract. Any failure of the State to timely approve shall not constitute a waiver of the condition.

- A. <u>Insurance Coverage</u>. Contractor shall, at Contractor's sole expense, procure, maintain and keep in force for the duration of the Contract insurance conforming to the minimum limits as specified in *Attachment BB*, incorporated hereto by attachment. Unless specifically stated herein or otherwise agreed to by the State, the required insurance shall be in effect prior to the commencement of work by Contractor and shall continue in force as appropriate until:
  - 1) Final acceptance by the State of the completion of this Contract; or
  - 2) Such time as the insurance is no longer required by the State under the terms of this Contract; whichever occurs later.

Any insurance or self-insurance available to the State shall be in excess of and non-contributing with, any insurance required from Contractor. Contractor's insurance policies shall apply on a primary basis. Until such time as the insurance is no longer required by the State, Contractor shall provide the State with renewal or replacement evidence of insurance no less than thirty (30) days before the expiration or replacement of the required insurance. If at any time during the period when insurance is required by the Contract, an insurer or surety shall fail to comply with the requirements of this Contract, as soon as Contractor has knowledge of any such failure, Contractor shall immediately notify the State and immediately replace such insurance or bond with an insurer meeting the requirements.

- B. General Requirements.
  - 1) <u>Additional Insured</u>: By endorsement to the general liability insurance policy, the State of Nevada, its officers, employees and immune contractors as defined in NRS 41.0307 shall be named as additional insureds for all liability arising from the Contract.

- 2) <u>Waiver of Subrogation</u>: Each insurance policy shall provide for a waiver of subrogation against the State of Nevada, its officers, employees and immune contractors as defined in NRS 41.0307 for losses arising from work/materials/equipment performed or provided by or on behalf of Contractor.
- 3) <u>Cross Liability</u>: All required liability policies shall provide cross-liability coverage as would be achieved under the standard ISO separation of insureds clause.
- 4) <u>Deductibles and Self-Insured Retentions</u>: Insurance maintained by Contractor shall apply on a first dollar basis without application of a deductible or self-insured retention unless otherwise specifically agreed to by the State. Such approval shall not relieve Contractor from the obligation to pay any deductible or self-insured retention. Any deductible or self-insured retention shall not exceed fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00) per occurrence, unless otherwise approved by the Risk Management Division.
- 5) <u>Policy Cancellation</u>: Except for ten (10) days notice for non-payment of premiums, each insurance policy shall be endorsed to state that without thirty (30) days prior written notice to the State of Nevada, c/o Contracting Agency, the policy shall not be canceled, non-renewed or coverage and/or limits reduced or materially altered, and shall provide that notices required by this Section shall be sent by certified mail to the address shown on page one (1) of this contract.
- 6) <u>Approved Insurer</u>: Each insurance policy shall be:
  - a) Issued by insurance companies authorized to do business in the State of Nevada or eligible surplus lines insurers acceptable to the State and having agents in Nevada upon whom service of process may be made; and
  - b) Currently rated by A.M. Best as "A-VII" or better.
- C. Evidence of Insurance.

Prior to the start of any work, Contractor must provide the following documents to the contracting State agency:

 <u>Certificate of Insurance</u>: The Acord 25 Certificate of Insurance form or a form substantially similar must be submitted to the State to evidence the insurance policies and coverages required of Contractor. The certificate must name the State of Nevada, its officers, employees and immune contractors as defined in NRS 41.0307 as the certificate holder. The certificate should be signed by a person authorized by the insurer to bind coverage on its behalf. The State project/Contract number; description and Contract effective dates shall be noted on the certificate, and upon renewal of the policies listed, Contractor shall furnish the State with replacement certificates as described within Section 16A, Insurance Coverage.

Mail all required insurance documents to the State Contracting Agency identified on Page one of the Contract.

- 2) <u>Additional Insured Endorsement</u>: An Additional Insured Endorsement (CG 20 10 11 85 or CG 20 26 11 85), signed by an authorized insurance company representative, must be submitted to the State to evidence the endorsement of the State as an additional insured per *Section 16B, General Requirements*.
- 3) <u>Schedule of Underlying Insurance Policies</u>: If Umbrella or Excess policy is evidenced to comply with minimum limits, a copy of the underlying Schedule from the Umbrella or Excess insurance policy may be required.
- 4) <u>Review and Approval</u>: Documents specified above must be submitted for review and approval by the State prior to the commencement of work by Contractor. Neither approval by the State nor failure to disapprove the insurance furnished by Contractor shall relieve Contractor of Contractor's full responsibility to provide the insurance required by this Contract. Compliance with the insurance requirements of this Contract shall not limit the liability of Contractor or its subcontractors, employees or agents to the State or others, and shall be in additional to and not in lieu of any other remedy available to the State under this Contract or otherwise. The State reserves the right to request and review a copy of any required insurance policy or endorsement to assure compliance with these requirements.

- 17. COMPLIANCE WITH LEGAL OBLIGATIONS. Contractor shall procure and maintain for the duration of this Contract any state, county, city or federal license, authorization, waiver, permit qualification or certification required by statute, ordinance, law, or regulation to be held by Contractor to provide the goods or services required by this Contract. Contractor shall provide proof of its compliance upon request of the Contracting Agency. Contractor will be responsible to pay all taxes, assessments, fees, premiums, permits, and licenses required by law. Real property and personal property taxes are the responsibility of Contractor in accordance with NRS 361.157 and NRS 361.159. Contractor agrees to be responsible for payment of any such government obligations not paid by its subcontractors during performance of this Contract.
- 18. WAIVER OF BREACH. Failure to declare a breach or the actual waiver of any particular breach of the Contract or its material or nonmaterial terms by either party shall not operate as a waiver by such party of any of its rights or remedies as to any other breach.
- 19. **SEVERABILITY.** If any provision contained in this Contract is held to be unenforceable by a court of law or equity, this Contract shall be construed as if such provision did not exist and the non-enforceability of such provision shall not be held to render any other provision or provisions of this Contract unenforceable.
- 20. ASSIGNMENT/DELEGATION. To the extent that any assignment of any right under this Contract changes the duty of either party, increases the burden or risk involved, impairs the chances of obtaining the performance of this Contract, attempts to operate as a novation, or includes a waiver or abrogation of any defense to payment by State, such offending portion of the assignment shall be void, and shall be a breach of this Contract. Contractor shall neither assign, transfer nor delegate any rights, obligations nor duties under this Contract without the prior written consent of the State.
- 21. **STATE OWNERSHIP OF PROPRIETARY INFORMATION.** Any data or information provided by the State to Contractor and any documents or materials provided by the State to Contractor in the course of this Contract ("State Materials") shall be and remain the exclusive property of the State and all such State Materials shall be delivered into State possession by Contractor upon completion, termination, or cancellation of this Contract.
- 22. **PUBLIC RECORDS.** Pursuant to NRS 239.010, information or documents received from Contractor may be open to public inspection and copying. The State has a legal obligation to disclose such information unless a particular record is made confidential by law or a common law balancing of interests. Contractor may label specific parts of an individual document as a "trade secret" or "confidential" in accordance with NRS 333.333, provided that Contractor thereby agrees to indemnify and defend the State for honoring such a designation. The failure to so label any document that is released by the State shall constitute a complete waiver of any and all claims for damages caused by any release of the records.
- 23. **CONFIDENTIALITY**. Contractor shall keep confidential all information, in whatever form, produced, prepared, observed or received by Contractor to the extent that such information is confidential by law or otherwise required by this Contract.
- 24. **FEDERAL FUNDING**. In the event federal funds are used for payment of all or part of this Contract, Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable federal laws, regulations and executive orders, including, without limitation the following:
  - A. Contractor certifies, by signing this Contract, that neither it nor its principals are presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any federal department or agency. This certification is made pursuant to Executive Orders 12549 and 12689 and Federal Acquisition Regulation subpart 9.4, and any relevant program-specific regulations. This provision shall be required of every subcontractor receiving any payment in whole or in part from federal funds.
  - B. Contractor and its subcontracts shall comply with all terms, conditions, and requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (P.L. 101-136), 42 U.S.C. 12101, as amended, and regulations adopted thereunder, including 28 C.F.R. Section 35, inclusive, and any relevant program-specific regulations.
  - C. Contractor and it subcontractors shall comply with the requirements of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (P.L. 88-352), as amended, the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (P.L. 93-112), as amended, and any relevant program-specific regulations, and shall not discriminate against any employee or offeror for employment because of race, national origin, creed, color, sex, religion, age, disability or handicap condition (including AIDS and AIDS-related conditions.)

- 25. **LOBBYING**. The parties agree, whether expressly prohibited by federal law, or otherwise, that no funding associated with this Contract will be used for any purpose associated with or related to lobbying or influencing or attempting to lobby or influence for any purpose the following:
  - A. Any federal, state, county or local agency, legislature, commission, council or board;
  - B. Any federal, state, county or local legislator, commission member, council member, board member, or other elected official; or
  - C. Any officer or employee of any federal, state, county or local agency; legislature, commission, council or board.
- 26. **GENERAL WARRANTY**. Contractor warrants that all services, deliverables, and/or work products under this Contract shall be completed in a workmanlike manner consistent with standards in the trade, profession, or industry; shall conform to or exceed the specifications set forth in the incorporated attachments; and shall be fit for ordinary use, of good quality, with no material defects.
- 27. **PROPER AUTHORITY.** The parties hereto represent and warrant that the person executing this Contract on behalf of each party has full power and authority to enter into this Contract. Contractor acknowledges that as required by statute or regulation this Contract is effective only after approval by the State Board of Examiners and only for the period of time specified in the Contract. Any services performed by Contractor before this Contract is effective or after it ceases to be effective are performed at the sole risk of Contractor.
- 28. DISCLOSURES REGARDING CURRENT OR FORMER STATE EMPLOYEES. For the purpose of State compliance with NRS 333.705, Contractor represents and warrants that if Contractor, or any employee of Contractor who will be performing services under this Contract, is a current employee of the State or was employed by the State within the preceding 24 months, Contractor has disclosed the identity of such persons, and the services that each such person will perform, to the Contracting Agency.
- 29. ASSIGNMENT OF ANTITRUST CLAIMS. Contractor irrevocably assigns to the State any claim for relief or cause of action which Contractor now has or which may accrue to Contractor in the future by reason of any violation of State of Nevada or federal antitrust laws in connection with any goods or services provided under this Contract.
- 30. **GOVERNING LAW:** JURISDICTION. This Contract and the rights and obligations of the parties hereto shall be governed by, and construed according to, the laws of the State of Nevada, without giving effect to any principle of conflict-of-law that would require the application of the law of any other jurisdiction. The parties consent to the exclusive jurisdiction of and venue in the First Judicial District Court, Carson City, Nevada for enforcement of this Contract, and consent to personal jurisdiction in such court for any action or proceeding arising out of this Contract.

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31. ENTIRE CONTRACT AND MODIFICATION. This Contract and its integrated attachment(s) constitute the entire agreement of the parties and as such are intended to be the complete and exclusive statement of the promises, representations, negotiations, discussions, and other agreements that may have been made in connection with the subject matter hereof. Unless an integrated attachment to this Contract specifically displays a mutual intent to amend a particular part of this Contract, general conflicts in language between any such attachment and this Contract shall be construed consistent with the terms of this Contract. Unless otherwise expressly authorized by the terms of this Contract, no modification or amendment to this Contract shall be binding upon the parties unless the same is in writing and signed by the respective parties hereto and approved by the Office of the Attorney General and the State Board of Examiners. This Contract, and any amendments, may be executed in counterparts.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Contract to be signed and intend to be legally bound thereby.

7/12/19 VP Operations Date Independent Contractor's Title Independent Contractor's Signature 7/12/19 Executive Officer Rob Boehmer Title APPROVED BY BOARD OF EXAMINERS Signature - Board of Examiners

On: 8/9/2019 Date

Approved as to form by:

Deputy Attorney General for Attorney General

On: 12 July 19 Date

# Attachment AA Negotiated Items

Documents included:

Administrative Service Agreement

Participation Rate Goals

Plan Serve Guarantees;

Custodial Agreement and VRA Investment Advisory Service Agreement include disclosure statement form ADV Parts 2Aand 2B

#### NEGOTIATED POINTS STATE OF NEVADA 457 PLANS

Both parties agree to the following:

1. Voya's Compensation

Voya will receive compensation on a "per account basis" for the following plans listed in the Exhibit C of the 457(b) Administrative Services Agreement: (1) State of Nevada 457 plan; (2) State of Nevada Political Subdivisions Plan; and (3) State of Nevada – Nevada System of Higher Education. The specific per account fee for the (1) State of Nevada 457 plan; (2) State of Nevada Political Subdivisions Plan; and (3) State of Nevada – Nevada 57 plan; (2) State of Nevada Political Subdivisions Plan; and (3) State of Nevada – Nevada 57 plan; (2) State of Nevada Political Subdivisions Plan; and (3) State of Nevada – Nevada System of Higher Education (as set forth in Exhibit B of the Administrative Services Agreement) is \$14.50 per account. Only the per account fee noted above and the fees outlined in Exhibit B of the Administrative Services Agreements shall apply.

2. Voya's Fixed Account Credited Rate and Liquidity

Voya's product offering to the State of Nevada shall be based upon the use of a general account stable value fund – the Voya Fixed Account 457/401 II – which provides for the full liquidity of plan assets to accommodate a book value settlement.

The credited rate of the Voya Fixed Account 457/401 II will be equal to at least the following throughout the term of the contract period:

- 1/1/2020 through 12/31/2021: 3.10%
- 1/1/2022 through 12/31/2024: 3.00%
- Voya's prevailing credited interest rate will apply thereafter.

Voya's Fixed Account 457/401 II includes a 5 year PUT (12 month notice) to provide full liquidity of the assets at the end of the contract term.

3. Plan Communication

Voya shall utilize custom communications materials deigned for the plan which utilizes an agreed upon color scheme and style for all communication materials. Such materials are to encompass at least the following items:

- The introduction the Plans' new fee structure;
- The implementation of any new Plan features including those participant facing areas related to the upgrade to Voya's latest version of OMNI; and
- All future investment changes or Plan level communications.

In addition to these items, Voya shall explore the possibility of developing and utilizing custom branded web-based videos and self-paced online courses that will be educational in nature and not constitute "advice." Such items will be explored within the context of the Plan's overall communications plans and with an eye towards driving plan action as it relates to increasing Plan participation and overall retirement readiness.

Voya agrees that all communication developed for the Plan must be approved for use by the Plan's Executive Officer prior to use. Voya also agrees to include adherence to this requirement within its revised service guarantees.

#### 4. Plan Staffing and Reporting

#### Staffing

Voya shall obtain the Plan's approval for all staff or assigned educational representatives assigned to the Plan prior to making any changes or hiring any new personnel. Voya shall provide the Plan with the resume of all newly proposed staff and all educational representatives and shall also allow the Plan to interview all recommended staff or educational representatives beforehand. Voya also agrees to include adherence to this requirement within its revised service guarantees.

While Voya's proposal of three full time dedicated educational representatives is designed to address the current and projected needs of the Plan, Voya agrees that in the case that the plan materially grows above our expectations through the addition of a large Political Subdivision of the state that we will review the support of an additional educational representative, or representatives as the case may warrant. Such discussions will be undertaken based upon the full transfer of all of the Political Subdivisions plan level assets and with the understanding that the State will serve as the sole vendor in such instances.

Voya affirms the State's ability to request the removal and replacement of an assigned educational representative if the individual(s) fail to comply with the directives of the State or fail to meet the State's desired service standards.

#### Reporting

Voya shall work with the Plan to develop a mutually agreed upon calendar for the worksite service schedule of all assigned educational representatives. This calendar shall be based upon an annual, quarterly or monthly basis and will outline the activity of all representatives and their available service days and locations for the various state agencies; the Plan's included Political Subdivisions and NSHE.

Voya shall also provide a report to the Plan on both an annual and quarterly basis as to the activity of all educational representatives including details on each State agency, Political Subdivision, and NSHE.

Voya shall also provide a report to the Plan on a monthly basis as to the activity of all educational representatives including details on each State agency, Political Subdivision, and NSHE. This report shall include a report of the outcome of the individual meetings including enrollments, rollovers into the Plan, etc.

Voya also agrees to include adherence to these requirements within its revised service guarantees.

5. Educational Representative and Financial Advisor Disclosure

Voya will work with the Plan to develop a mutually agreeable and compliance approved Compensation Disclosure document for both Voya's dedicated educational representatives and Voya's Financial Advisors.

#### 6. Managed Account Services

Voya agrees to revise its proposed tiered fee structure for managed account services. Rather than applying a tiered rate structure, Voya will utilize a flat rate structure of 0.50% regardless of the asset size of the participants account.

Voya agrees to provide the Plan with a "Reach and Impact Report" on at least a semi-annual basis to allow the Plan to review the services provided through Voya Retirement Advisors and Financial Engines, the impact of Voya's managed account services and the services provided the Plan's participants.

Voya agrees to allow the Plan to monitor a random sampling of participant calls held with the Voya Retirement Advisors team on a quarterly basis. Such reviews will be carried out on a mutually agreeable basis for both the Plan and Voya.

7. Utilization of Participant Data and Ancillary Sales

Voya shall not be permitted to use participant specific Plan data to solicit any other services or retail products not agreed upon or outlined in the Plan's services agreement, or otherwise approved in writing by an authorized representative of the Plan Sponsor. Voya shall not be permitted to share participant specific Plan data outside of or among other divisions of Voya Financial except to the extent necessary to provide Plan services set forth in the Administrative Services Agreement.

8. Reporting of Rollovers out of the Plan

Voya shall provide a report to the Plan on a quarterly basis as to all rollover activity for the prior quarter which outlines the date, amount of the rollover and the receiving firm if applicable of all rollovers processed.

9. Voya Call Center

Voya agrees to utilize customer service representatives that are dedicated to our tax-exempt market clients to address all inbound calls from Plan participants.

Voya agrees to allow the Plan to monitor a random sampling of Plan participant calls handled by our customer service representatives on a quarterly basis. Such reviews will be carried out on a mutually agreeable basis for both the Plan and Voya.

10. Plan Participation

Voya agrees to the inclusion of an increase in overall plan participation for the contract term. The targeted increase will be based upon the plans participation rate for the State Plan as measure in the first quarter of each contract year.

Based upon eligible employee and participating employee data as of January 2020 and annually thereafter, Voya agrees to an overall increase in plan participation of 3.5% in the participation rate for the core State Plan over the course of five year contract term and based upon the provision of no employer matching contribution, no auto enrollment adoption and no plan demographics being provided. With the provision of full demographic data, Voya agrees to an overall increase in plan participation of 5.5% over the course of the five-year contract term. The 5.5% increase based upon the provision of full demographic data may either be measured on a full contract term basis or is measurable by 1% increases on an annual basis.

This participation increase is to be based upon the attached mutually agreeable plan of action included as Appendix A to these Negotiated Points and which contains the details on the demographic assumptions required

Voya also agrees to include adherence to these requirements within its revised service guarantees.

11. Service Guarantees

Voya agrees to revise the proposed service guarantees as provided for in both our RFP response and our response to Best and Final items for both the 457 Plan and the FICA Alternative Plan. Although the allocations may change, the amount of fees at risk on an annual basis will remain unchanged from the 20% of fees at risk outlined previously. The revised service guarantees are included as Appendix B to these Negotiated Points.

12. State Cyber Security Policy

Voya agrees to assist the Plan in the development of a cyber security policy for the Plan.

13. Voya Annual Client Summit

Voya agrees to extend an invitation the Plan's Executive Officer and members of the Plans Advisory Committee to its annual client summit.

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#### AMENDMENT #1457b Plan

#### TO CONTRACT FOR SERVICES OF INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR

Between the State of Nevada Acting By and Through Its

Agency Name.	Nevada Deferred Compensation Program
Address	100 N Stewart Street Ste 100
City, State, Zip Code:	Carson City, NV 89701
Contact:	Rob Boehmer, Administrator
Phone ·	775-684-3397
Fax:	775-684-3399
Email:	rbochmer@defcomp.nv.gov

Contractor Name	Voya Institutional Plan Services, LLC
Address:	One Orange Way
City, State, Zip Code:	Windsor, CT 06095
Contact:	M. Bishop Bastein, Vice President, Institutional Clients
Phone:	916-774-7595
Fax;	612-492-0682
Email	Bishop.bastien@voya.com

- AMENDMENTS. For and in consideration of mutual promises and/or their valuable considerations, all provisions of the original contract resulting from Request for Proposal #08DOA-S514 and dated 08/09/19, attached hereto as Exhibit A, remain in full force and effect with the exception of the following:
  - A. This is the first amendment to change the contract termination date from December 31, 2025 to December 31, 2024.

#### B. Current Contract Language:

Effective from:January 1, 2020ToDecember 31, 2025	

#### C. <u>Amended Contract Language:</u>

Effec	tive from.	January 1, 2020	To:	December 31, 2024
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2. <u>INCORPORATED DOCUMENTS</u>, Exhibit A (Original Contract) is attached hereto, incorporated by reference herein and made a part of this amended contract

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REOUIRED APPROVAL. This amendment to the original contract shall not become effective until and unless 3, approved by the Nevada State Board of Examiners.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this amendment to the original contract to be signed and intend to be legally bound thereby

8/12/19 VP, Opt rations Date Independent Contractor's Title independent Contractor's Signature **Executive Officer** Title Rob Boehmer Øate for Susan Brown APPROVED BY BOARD OF EXAMINERS Signature - Board of Examiners On: <u>8/14/19</u> Date

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Contact:	M. Bishop Bastein, Vice President, Institutional Clients
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Email:	Bishop.bastien@voya.com

WHEREAS, NRS 333.700 authorizes officers, departments, institutions, boards, commissions, and other agencies in the Executive Department of the State Government which derive their support from public money in whole or in part to engage, subject to the approval of the Board of Examiners (BOE), services of persons as independent contractors; and

WHEREAS, it is deemed that the service of Contractor is both necessary and in the best interests of the State of Nevada.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the aforesaid premises, the parties mutually agree as follows:

1. **REQUIRED APPROVAL**. This Contract shall not become effective until and unless approved by the Nevada State Board of Examiners.

#### 2. **DEFINITIONS**.

- A. "State" means the State of Nevada and any State agency identified herein, its officers, employees and immune contractors as defined in NRS 41.0307.
- B. "Contracting Agency" means the State agency identified above.
- C. "Contractor" means the person or entity identified above that performs services and/or provides goods for the State under the terms and conditions set forth in this Contract.
- D. "Fiscal Year" means the period beginning July 1st and ending June 30th of the following year.
- E. "Contract" Unless the context otherwise requires, "Contract" means this document entitled Contract for Services of Independent Contractor and all Attachments or Incorporated Documents.
- F. "Contract for Independent Contractor" means this document entitled Contract for Services of Independent Contractor exclusive of any Attachments or Incorporated Documents.

3. CONTRACT TERM. This Contract shall be effective as noted below, unless sooner terminated by either party as specified in *Section 10, Contract Termination*. Contract is subject to Board of Examiners' approval (anticipated to be August 13, 2019).

Effective from:	January 1, 2020	To:	December 31, 2025
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- 4. NOTICE. All communications, including notices, required or permitted to be given under this Contract shall be in writing and directed to the parties at the addresses stated above. Notices may be given: (i) by delivery in person; (ii) by a nationally recognized next day courier service, return receipt requested; or (iii) by certified mail, return receipt requested. If specifically requested by the party to be notified, valid notice may be given by facsimile transmission or electronic mail to the address(es) such party has specified in writing.
- 5. **INCORPORATED DOCUMENTS.** The parties agree that this Contract, inclusive of the following attachments, specifically describes the scope of work. This Contract incorporates the following attachments in descending order of constructive precedence:

ATTACHMENT AA:	NEGOTIATED ITEMS FICA plan including the following documents: Negotiated Points; Administrative Service Agreement; Plan Service Guarantees; Custodial Agreement
ATTACHMENT BB:	INSURANCE SCHEDULE
ATTACHMENT CC:	STATE SOLICITATION OR RFP 08DOA-S514 and AMENDMENT #1
ATTACHMENT DD:	CONTRACTOR'S BEST AND FINAL RESPONSE
ATTACHMENT EE:	CONTRACTOR'S RESPONSE

Any provision, term or condition of an Attachment that contradicts the terms of this Contract for Independent Contractor, or that would change the obligations of the State under this Contract for Independent Contractor, shall be void and unenforceable.

6. **CONSIDERATION**. The parties agree that Contractor will provide the services specified in Section 5, Incorporated Documents at a cost as noted below:

at a cost of \$1.40 per participant account annually. Additionally, a flat \$450 fee will be assessed to a participant requesting the Contractor to develop and administrate any Qualified Domestic Relations Order (QDRO). Contractor shall pay the State a one-time fee of \$2,250.00 for the cost related to the Request for Proposal process, payable immediately upon approval of this contract by the Board of Examiners. The Contractor will develop and record keep an administration account on behalf of the Plan to deposit collected administrative revenue into and will be invested in the Contractor's proprietary stable value fixed investment option The Plan will regularly draft out of the Administrative account to fund the Program's approved annual budget and any other approved Program related expenses. The total estimated contract value including anticipated Program growth is approximately \$189,952.00.

The State does not agree to reimburse Contractor for expenses unless otherwise specified in the incorporated attachments. Any intervening end to a biennial appropriation period shall be deemed an automatic renewal (not changing the overall Contract term) or a termination as the result of legislative appropriation may require:

- 7. ASSENT. The parties agree that the terms and conditions listed on incorporated attachments of this Contract are also specifically a part of this Contract and are limited only by their respective order of precedence and any limitations specified.
- 8. **BILLING SUBMISSION: TIMELINESS.** The parties agree that timeliness of billing is of the essence to the Contract and recognize that the State is on a Fiscal Year. All billings for dates of service prior to July 1 must be submitted to the

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state no later than the first Friday in August of the same calendar year. A billing submitted after the first Friday in August, which forces the State to process the billing as a stale claim pursuant to NRS 353.097, will subject Contractor to an administrative fee not to exceed one hundred dollars (\$100.00). The parties hereby agree this is a reasonable estimate of the additional costs to the state of processing the billing as a stale claim and that this amount will be deducted from the stale claim payment due to Contractor.

#### 9. INSPECTION & AUDIT.

- A. <u>Books and Records</u>. Contractor agrees to keep and maintain under generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) full, true and complete records, contracts, books, and documents as are necessary to fully disclose to the State or United States Government, or their authorized representatives, upon audits or reviews, sufficient information to determine compliance with all State and federal regulations and statutes.
- B. Inspection & Audit. Contractor agrees that the relevant books, records (written, electronic, computer related or otherwise), including, without limitation, relevant accounting procedures and practices of Contractor or its subcontractors, financial statements and supporting documentation, and documentation related to the work product shall be subject, at any reasonable time, to inspection, examination, review, audit, and copying at any office or location of Contractor where such records may be found, with or without notice by the State Auditor, the relevant State agency or its contracted examiners, the department of Administration, Budget Division, the Nevada State Attorney General's Office or its Fraud Control Units, the state Legislative Auditor, and with regard to any federal funding, the relevant federal agency, the Comptroller General, the General Accounting Office, the Office of the Inspector General, or any of their authorized representatives. All subcontracts shall reflect requirements of this Section.
- C. <u>Period of Retention</u>. All books, records, reports, and statements relevant to this Contract must be retained a minimum three (3) years, and for five (5) years if any federal funds are used pursuant to the Contract. The retention period runs from the date of payment for the relevant goods or services by the state, or from the date of termination of the Contract, whichever is later. Retention time shall be extended when an audit is scheduled or in progress for a period reasonably necessary to complete an audit and/or to complete any administrative and judicial litigation which may ensue.

#### 10. CONTRACT TERMINATION.

- A. <u>Termination Without Cause</u>. Regardless of any terms to the contrary, this Contract may be terminated upon written notice by mutual consent of both parties. The State unilaterally may terminate this contract without cause by giving not less than thirty (30) days' notice in the manner specified in *Section 4, Notice*. If this Contract is unilaterally terminated by the State, Contractor shall use its best efforts to minimize cost to the State and Contractor will not be paid for any cost that Contractor could have avoided.
- B. <u>State Termination for Non-Appropriation</u>. The continuation of this Contract beyond the current biennium is subject to and contingent upon sufficient funds being appropriated, budgeted, and otherwise made available by the State Legislature and/or federal sources. The State may terminate this Contract, and Contractor waives any and all claims(s) for damages, effective immediately upon receipt of written notice (or any date specified therein) if for any reason the contracting Agency's funding from State and/or federal sources is not appropriated or is withdrawn, limited, or impaired.
- C. <u>Termination with Cause for Breach</u>. A breach may be declared with or without termination. A notice of breach and termination shall specify the date of termination of the Contract, which shall not be sooner than the expiration of the Time to Correct, if applicable, allowed under subsection 10D. This Contract may be terminated by either party upon written notice of breach to the other party on the following grounds:
  - If Contractor fails to provide or satisfactorily perform any of the conditions, work, deliverables, goods, or services called for by this Contract within the time requirements specified in this Contract or within any granted extension of those time requirements; or
  - 2) If any state, county, city, or federal license, authorization, waiver, permit, qualification or certification required by statute, ordinance, law, or regulation to be held by Contractor to provide the goods or services required by this

Contract is for any reason denied, revoked, debarred, excluded, terminated, suspended, lapsed, or not renewed; or

- 3) If Contractor becomes insolvent, subject to receivership, or becomes voluntarily or involuntarily subject to the jurisdiction of the Bankruptcy Court; or
- 4) If the State materially breaches any material duty under this Contract and any such breach impairs Contractor's ability to perform; or
- 5) If it is found by the State that any quid pro quo or gratuities in the form of money, services, entertainment, gifts, or otherwise were offered or given by Contractor, or any agent or representative of Contractor, to any officer or employee of the State of Nevada with a view toward securing a contract or securing favorable treatment with respect to awarding, extending, amending, or making any determination with respect to the performing of such contract; or
- 6) If it is found by the State that Contractor has failed to disclose any material conflict of interest relative to the performance of this Contract.
- D. <u>Time to Correct</u>. Unless the breach is not curable, or unless circumstances do not permit an opportunity to cure, termination upon declared breach may be exercised only after service of formal written notice as specified in *Section 4, Notice*, and the subsequent failure of the breaching party within fifteen (15) calendar days of receipt of that notice to provide evidence, satisfactory to the aggrieved party, showing that the declared breach has been corrected. Upon a notice of breach, the time to correct and the time for termination of the contract upon breach under subsection 10C, above, shall run concurrently, unless the notice expressly states otherwise.
- E. <u>Winding Up Affairs Upon Termination</u>. In the event of termination of this Contract for any reason, the parties agree that the provisions of this Section survive termination:
  - The parties shall account for and properly present to each other all claims for fees and expenses and pay those which are undisputed and otherwise not subject to set off under this Contract. Neither party may withhold performance of winding up provisions solely based on nonpayment of fees or expenses accrued up to the time of termination;
  - 2) Contractor shall satisfactorily complete work in progress at the agreed rate (or a pro rata basis if necessary) if so requested by the Contracting Agency;
  - 3) Contractor shall execute any documents and take any actions necessary to effectuate an assignment of this Contract if so requested by the Contracting Agency;
  - 4) Contractor shall preserve, protect and promptly deliver into State possession all proprietary information in accordance with Section 21, State Ownership of Proprietary Information.
- 11. REMEDIES. Except as otherwise provided for by law or this Contract, the rights and remedies of the parties shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or equity, including, without limitation, actual damages, and to a prevailing party reasonable attorneys' fees and costs. For purposes of an award of attorneys' fees to either party, the parties stipulate and agree that a reasonable hourly rate of attorneys' fees shall be one hundred and fifty dollars (\$150.00) per hour. The State may set off consideration against any unpaid obligation of Contractor to any State agency in accordance with NRS 353C.190. In the event that Contractor voluntarily or involuntarily becomes subject to the jurisdiction of the Bankruptcy Court, the State may set off consideration against any unpaid obligation of Contractor to the State or its agencies, to the extent allowed by bankruptcy law, without regard to whether the procedures of NRS 353C.190 have been utilized.
- 12. LIMITED LIABILITY. The State will not waive and intends to assert available NRS Chapter 41 liability limitations in all cases. Contract liability of both parties shall not be subject to punitive damages. Damages for any State breach shall never exceed the amount of funds appropriated for payment under this Contract, but not yet paid to Contractor, for the Fiscal Year budget in existence at the time of the breach. Contractor's tort liability shall not be limited.

- 13. FORCE MAJEURE. Neither party shall be deemed to be in violation of this Contract if it is prevented from performing any of its obligations hereunder due to strikes, failure of public transportation, civil or military authority, act of public enemy, accidents, fires, explosions, or acts of God, including without limitation, earthquakes, floods, winds, or storms. In such an event the intervening cause must not be through the fault of the party asserting such an excuse, and the excused party is obligated to promptly perform in accordance with the terms of the Contract after the intervening cause ceases.
- 14. INDEMNIFICATION AND DEFENSE. To the fullest extent permitted by law, Contractor shall indemnify, hold harmless and defend, not excluding the State's right to participate, the State from and against all liability, claims, actions, damages, losses, and expenses, including, without limitation, reasonable attorneys' fees and costs, arising out of any breach of the obligations of Contractor under this contract, or any alleged negligent or willful acts or omissions of Contractor, its officers, employees and agents. Contractor's obligation to indemnify the State shall apply in all cases except for claims arising solely from the State's own negligence or willful misconduct. Contractor waives any rights of subrogation against the State. Contractor's duty to defend begins when the State requests defense of any claim arising from this Contract.
- 15. **REPRESENTATIONS REGARDING INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR STATUS**. Contractor represents that it is an independent contractor, as defined in NRS 333.700(2) and 616A.255, warrants that it will perform all work under this contract as an independent contractor, and warrants that the State of Nevada will not incur any employment liability by reason of this Contract or the work to be performed under this Contract. To the extent the State incurs any employment liability for the work under this Contract; Contractor will reimburse the State for that liability.
- 16. **INSURANCE SCHEDULE.** Unless expressly waived in writing by the State, Contractor must carry policies of insurance and pay all taxes and fees incident hereunto. Policies shall meet the terms and conditions as specified within this Contract along with the additional limits and provisions as described in *Attachment BB*, incorporated hereto by attachment. The State shall have no liability except as specifically provided in the Contract.

Contractor shall not commence work before Contractor has provided the required evidence of insurance to the Contracting Agency. The State's approval of any changes to insurance coverage during the course of performance shall constitute an ongoing condition subsequent to this Contract. Any failure of the State to timely approve shall not constitute a waiver of the condition.

- A. <u>Insurance Coverage</u>. Contractor shall, at Contractor's sole expense, procure, maintain and keep in force for the duration of the Contract insurance conforming to the minimum limits as specified in *Attachment BB*, incorporated hereto by attachment. Unless specifically stated herein or otherwise agreed to by the State, the required insurance shall be in effect prior to the commencement of work by Contractor and shall continue in force as appropriate until:
  - 1) Final acceptance by the State of the completion of this Contract; or
  - 2) Such time as the insurance is no longer required by the State under the terms of this Contract; whichever occurs later.

Any insurance or self-insurance available to the State shall be in excess of and non-contributing with, any insurance required from Contractor. Contractor's insurance policies shall apply on a primary basis. Until such time as the insurance is no longer required by the State, Contractor shall provide the State with renewal or replacement evidence of insurance no less than thirty (30) days before the expiration or replacement of the required insurance. If at any time during the period when insurance is required by the Contract, an insurer or surety shall fail to comply with the requirements of this Contract, as soon as Contractor has knowledge of any such failure, Contractor shall immediately notify the State and immediately replace such insurance or bond with an insurer meeting the requirements.

- B. General Requirements.
  - Additional Insured: By endorsement to the general liability insurance policy, the State of Nevada, its officers, employees and immune contractors as defined in NRS 41.0307 shall be named as additional insureds for all liability arising from the Contract.
  - 2) <u>Waiver of Subrogation</u>: Each insurance policy shall provide for a waiver of subrogation against the State of Nevada, its officers, employees and immune contractors as defined in NRS 41.0307 for losses arising from work/materials/equipment performed or provided by or on behalf of Contractor.

- 3) <u>Cross Liability</u>: All required liability policies shall provide cross-liability coverage as would be achieved under the standard ISO separation of insureds clause.
- 4) <u>Deductibles and Self-Insured Retentions</u>: Insurance maintained by Contractor shall apply on a first dollar basis without application of a deductible or self-insured retention unless otherwise specifically agreed to by the State. Such approval shall not relieve Contractor from the obligation to pay any deductible or self-insured retention. Any deductible or self-insured retention shall not exceed fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00) per occurrence, unless otherwise approved by the Risk Management Division.
- 5) Policy Cancellation: Except for ten (10) days notice for non-payment of premiums, each insurance policy shall be endorsed to state that without thirty (30) days prior written notice to the State of Nevada, c/o Contracting Agency, the policy shall not be canceled, non-renewed or coverage and/or limits reduced or materially altered, and shall provide that notices required by this Section shall be sent by certified mail to the address shown on page one (1) of this contract.
- 6) <u>Approved Insurer</u>: Each insurance policy shall be:
  - a) Issued by insurance companies authorized to do business in the State of Nevada or eligible surplus lines insurers acceptable to the State and having agents in Nevada upon whom service of process may be made; and
  - b) Currently rated by A.M. Best as "A-VII" or better.
- C. Evidence of Insurance.

Prior to the start of any work, Contractor must provide the following documents to the contracting State agency:

 <u>Certificate of Insurance</u>: The Acord 25 Certificate of Insurance form or a form substantially similar must be submitted to the State to evidence the insurance policies and coverages required of Contractor. The certificate must name the State of Nevada, its officers, employees and immune contractors as defined in NRS 41.0307 as the certificate holder. The certificate should be signed by a person authorized by the insurer to bind coverage on its behalf. The State project/Contract number; description and Contract effective dates shall be noted on the certificate, and upon renewal of the policies listed, Contractor shall furnish the State with replacement certificates as described within Section 16A, Insurance Coverage.

Mail all required insurance documents to the State Contracting Agency identified on Page one of the Contract.

- 2) <u>Additional Insured Endorsement</u>: An Additional Insured Endorsement (CG 20 10 11 85 or CG 20 26 11 85), signed by an authorized insurance company representative, must be submitted to the State to evidence the endorsement of the State as an additional insured per *Section 16B, General Requirements*.
- 3) <u>Schedule of Underlying Insurance Policies</u>: If Umbrella or Excess policy is evidenced to comply with minimum limits, a copy of the underlying Schedule from the Umbrella or Excess insurance policy may be required.
- 4) <u>Review and Approval</u>: Documents specified above must be submitted for review and approval by the State prior to the commencement of work by Contractor. Neither approval by the State nor failure to disapprove the insurance furnished by Contractor shall relieve Contractor of Contractor's full responsibility to provide the insurance required by this Contract. Compliance with the insurance requirements of this Contract shall not limit the liability of Contractor or its subcontractors, employees or agents to the State or others, and shall be in additional to and not in lieu of any other remedy available to the State under this Contract or otherwise. The State reserves the right to request and review a copy of any required insurance policy or endorsement to assure compliance with these requirements.
- 17. COMPLIANCE WITH LEGAL OBLIGATIONS. Contractor shall procure and maintain for the duration of this Contract any state, county, city or federal license, authorization, waiver, permit qualification or certification required by Form Provided by the Attorney General of the State of Nevada

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statute, ordinance, law, or regulation to be held by Contractor to provide the goods or services required by this Contract. Contractor shall provide proof of its compliance upon request of the Contracting Agency. Contractor will be responsible to pay all taxes, assessments, fees, premiums, permits, and licenses required by law. Real property and personal property taxes are the responsibility of Contractor in accordance with NRS 361.157 and NRS 361.159. Contractor agrees to be responsible for payment of any such government obligations not paid by its subcontractors during performance of this Contract.

- 18. WAIVER OF BREACH. Failure to declare a breach or the actual waiver of any particular breach of the Contract or its material or nonmaterial terms by either party shall not operate as a waiver by such party of any of its rights or remedies as to any other breach.
- 19. SEVERABILITY. If any provision contained in this Contract is held to be unenforceable by a court of law or equity, this Contract shall be construed as if such provision did not exist and the non-enforceability of such provision shall not be held to render any other provision or provisions of this Contract unenforceable.
- 20. ASSIGNMENT/DELEGATION. To the extent that any assignment of any right under this Contract changes the duty of either party, increases the burden or risk involved, impairs the chances of obtaining the performance of this Contract, attempts to operate as a novation, or includes a waiver or abrogation of any defense to payment by State, such offending portion of the assignment shall be void, and shall be a breach of this Contract. Contractor shall neither assign, transfer nor delegate any rights, obligations nor duties under this Contract without the prior written consent of the State.
- 21. STATE OWNERSHIP OF PROPRIETARY INFORMATION. Any data or information provided by the State to Contractor and any documents or materials provided by the State to Contractor in the course of this Contract ("State Materials") shall be and remain the exclusive property of the State and all such State Materials shall be delivered into State possession by Contractor upon completion, termination, or cancellation of this Contract.
- 22. PUBLIC RECORDS. Pursuant to NRS 239.010, information or documents received from Contractor may be open to public inspection and copying. The State has a legal obligation to disclose such information unless a particular record is made confidential by law or a common law balancing of interests. Contractor may label specific parts of an individual document as a "trade secret" or "confidential" in accordance with NRS 333.333, provided that Contractor thereby agrees to indemnify and defend the State for honoring such a designation. The failure to so label any document that is released by the State shall constitute a complete waiver of any and all claims for damages caused by any release of the records.
- 23. **CONFIDENTIALITY**. Contractor shall keep confidential all information, in whatever form, produced, prepared, observed or received by Contractor to the extent that such information is confidential by law or otherwise required by this Contract.
- 24. **FEDERAL FUNDING.** In the event federal funds are used for payment of all or part of this Contract, Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable federal laws, regulations and executive orders, including, without limitation the following:
  - A. Contractor certifies, by signing this Contract, that neither it nor its principals are presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any federal department or agency. This certification is made pursuant to Executive Orders 12549 and 12689 and Federal Acquisition Regulation subpart 9.4, and any relevant program-specific regulations. This provision shall be required of every subcontractor receiving any payment in whole or in part from federal funds.
  - B. Contractor and its subcontracts shall comply with all terms, conditions, and requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (P.L. 101-136), 42 U.S.C. 12101, as amended, and regulations adopted thereunder, including 28 C.F.R. Section 35, inclusive, and any relevant program-specific regulations.
  - C. Contractor and it subcontractors shall comply with the requirements of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (P.L. 88-352), as amended, the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (P.L. 93-112), as amended, and any relevant program-specific regulations, and shall not discriminate against any employee or offeror for employment because of race, national origin, creed, color, sex, religion, age, disability or handicap condition (including AIDS and AIDS-related conditions.)

- 25. LOBBYING. The parties agree, whether expressly prohibited by federal law, or otherwise, that no funding associated with this Contract will be used for any purpose associated with or related to lobbying or influencing or attempting to lobby or influence for any purpose the following:
  - A. Any federal, state, county or local agency, legislature, commission, council or board;
  - B. Any federal, state, county or local legislator, commission member, council member, board member, or other elected official; or
  - C. Any officer or employee of any federal, state, county or local agency; legislature, commission, council or board.
- 26. GENERAL WARRANTY. Contractor warrants that all services, deliverables, and/or work products under this Contract shall be completed in a workmanlike manner consistent with standards in the trade, profession, or industry; shall conform to or exceed the specifications set forth in the incorporated attachments; and shall be fit for ordinary use, of good quality, with no material defects.
- 27. PROPER AUTHORITY. The parties hereto represent and warrant that the person executing this Contract on behalf of each party has full power and authority to enter into this Contract. Contractor acknowledges that as required by statute or regulation this Contract is effective only after approval by the State Board of Examiners and only for the period of time specified in the Contract. Any services performed by Contractor before this Contract is effective or after it ceases to be effective are performed at the sole risk of Contractor.
- 28. DISCLOSURES REGARDING CURRENT OR FORMER STATE EMPLOYEES. For the purpose of State compliance with NRS 333.705, Contractor represents and warrants that if Contractor, or any employee of Contractor who will be performing services under this Contract, is a current employee of the State or was employed by the State within the preceding 24 months, Contractor has disclosed the identity of such persons, and the services that each such person will perform, to the Contracting Agency.
- 29. ASSIGNMENT OF ANTITRUST CLAIMS. Contractor irrevocably assigns to the State any claim for relief or cause of action which Contractor now has or which may accrue to Contractor in the future by reason of any violation of State of Nevada or federal antitrust laws in connection with any goods or services provided under this Contract.
- 30. GOVERNING LAW: JURISDICTION. This Contract and the rights and obligations of the parties hereto shall be governed by, and construed according to, the laws of the State of Nevada, without giving effect to any principle of conflict-of-law that would require the application of the law of any other jurisdiction. The parties consent to the exclusive jurisdiction of and venue in the First Judicial District Court, Carson City, Nevada for enforcement of this Contract, and consent to personal jurisdiction in such court for any action or proceeding arising out of this Contract.

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31. ENTIRE CONTRACT AND MODIFICATION. This Contract and its integrated attachment(s) constitute the entire agreement of the parties and as such are intended to be the complete and exclusive statement of the promises, representations, negotiations, discussions, and other agreements that may have been made in connection with the subject matter hereof. Unless an integrated attachment to this Contract specifically displays a mutual intent to amend a particular part of this Contract, general conflicts in language between any such attachment and this Contract shall be construed consistent with the terms of this Contract. Unless otherwise expressly authorized by the terms of this Contract, no modification or amendment to this Contract shall be binding upon the parties unless the same is in writing and signed by the respective parties hereto and approved by the Office of the Attorney General and the State Board of Examiners. This Contract, and any amendments, may be executed in counterparts.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Contract to be signed and intend to be legally bound thereby.

10 VP, Operations Independent Contractor's Title pendent Contractor's Stenature 7/12/19 Date Executive Officer Title Rob Boehmer APPROVED BY BOARD OF EXAMINERS

Signature - Board of Examiners

On:

Approved as to form by:

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Deputy Attorney General for Attorney General

On: 12 July 19 Date

## Attachment AA

# **Negotiated Items**

Documents included:

Administrative Service Agreement

Plan Service Guarantees

**Custodial Agreement** 

## NEGOTIATED POINTS STATE OF NEVADA FICA ALTERNATIVE PLAN

Both parties agree to the following:

1. Voya's Compensation

Voya will receive compensation on a "per account basis" for the following plans listed in Exhibit C of the FICA Alternative Plan Administrative Services Agreement: (1) State of Nevada FICA Alternative Plan. The specific per account fee for the (1) FICA Alternative Plan (as set Forth is Exhibit B of the FICA Alternative Plan Administrative Services Agreement) is \$1.40 per account. Only the per account fee noted above and the fees outlined in Exhibit B of the Administrative Services Agreement shall apply.

2. Voya's Fixed Account Credited Rate and Liquidity

Voya's product offering to the State of Nevada shall be based upon the use of a general account stable value fund – the Voya Fixed Account 457/401 II – which provides for the full liquidity of plan assets to accommodate a book value settlement.

The credited rate of the Voya Fixed Account 457/401 II will be equal to at least the following. throughout the term of the contract period:

- 1/1/2020 through 12/31/2024: 2.25%
- Voya's prevailing credited interest rate will apply thereafter.

Voya's Fixed Account 457/401 II includes a 5 year PUT (12 month notice) to provide full liquidity of the assets at the end of the contract term.

3. Plan Communication

Voya shall utilize custom communications materials deigned for the plan which utilizes an agreed upon color scheme and style for all communication materials. Such materials are to encompass at least the following items:

- The introduction the Plans' new fee structure;
- The implementation of any new Plan features including those participant facing areas related to the upgrade to Voya's latest version of OMNI; and
- All future investment changes or Plan level communications.

Voya agrees that all communication developed for the Plan must be approved for use by the Plan's Executive Officer prior to use. Voya also agrees to include adherence to this requirement within its revised service guarantees.

4. Educational Representative and Financial Advisor Disclosure

Voya will work with the Plan to develop a mutually agreeable and compliance approved Compensation Disclosure document for both Voya's dedicated educational representatives and Voya's Financial Advisors.

5. Managed Account Services

Voya agrees to revise its proposed tiered fee structure for managed account services. Rather than applying a tiered rate structure, Voya will utilize a flat rate structure of 0.50% regardless of the asset size of the participants account.

Voya agrees to provide the Plan with a "Reach and Impact Report" on at least a semi-annual basis to allow the Plan to review the services provided through Voya Retirement Advisors and Financial Engines, the impact of Voya's managed account services and the services provided the Plan's participants.

Voya agrees to allow the Plan to monitor a random sampling of participant calls held with the Voya Retirement Advisors team on a quarterly basis. Such reviews will be carried out on a mutually agreeable basis for both the Plan and Voya.

6. Utilization of Participant Data and Ancillary Sales

Voya shall not be permitted to use participant specific Plan data to solicit any other services or retail products not agreed upon or outlined in the Plan's services agreement, or otherwise approved in writing by an authorized representative of the Plan Sponsor. Voya shall not be permitted to share participant specific Plan data outside of or among other divisions of Voya Financial except to the extent necessary to provide Plan services set forth in the Administrative Services Agreement.

7. Reporting of Rollovers out of the Plan

Voya shall provide a report to the Plan on a quarterly basis as to all rollover activity for the prior quarter which outlines the date, amount of the rollover and the receiving firm if applicable of all rollovers processed.

8. Voya Call Center

Voya agrees to utilize customer service representatives that are dedicated to our tax exempt market clients to address all inbound calls from Plan participants.

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Voya agrees to allow the Plan to monitor a random sampling of Plan participant calls handled by our customer service representatives on a quarterly basis. Such reviews will be carried out on a mutually agreeable basis for both the Plan and Voya.

9. Service Guarantees

Voya agrees to revise the proposed service guarantees as provided for in both our RFP response and our response to Best and Final items for both the FICA Alternative Plan. The amount of fees at risk on an annual basis remains unchanged from the 20% of fees at risk outlined previously. The revised service guarantees are included as Appendix A to these Negotiated Points.

10. State Cyber Security Policy

Voya agrees to assist the Plan in the development of a cyber security policy for the Plan.

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## AMENDMENT #1 FICA

## TO CONTRACT FOR SERVICES OF INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR Between the State of Nevada

Acting By and Through Its

Agency Name.	Nevada Deferred Compensation Program
Address:	100 N Stewart Street Ste 100
City, State, Zip Code:	Carson City, NV 89701
Contact:	Rob Boehmer, Administrator
Phone.	775-684-3397
Fax:	775-684-3399
Email:	rboehmer@defcomp.ny.goy

Contractor Name:	Voya Institutional Plan Services, LLC	
Address	One Orange Way	
City, State, Zip Code:	Windsor, CT 06095	
Contact <sup>•</sup>	M. Bishop Bastein, Vice President, Institutional Clients	
Phone:	916-774-7595	
Fax:	612-492-0682	
Email:	Bishop.bastien@voya.com	

- 1. <u>AMENDMENTS</u>. For and in consideration of mutual promises and/or their valuable considerations, all provisions of the original contract resulting from Request for Proposal #08DOA-S514 and dated 08/09/19, attached hereto as Exhibit A, remain in full force and effect with the exception of the following:
  - A. This is the first amendment to change the contract termination date from December 31, 2025 to December 31, 2024

#### B. <u>Current Contract Language:</u>

Effective from.	January 1, 2020	To:	December 31, 2025

## C. Amended Contract Language:

Effect	ive from:	January 1, 2020	To:	December 31, 2024
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# 2. <u>INCORPORATED DOCUMENTS</u>. Exhibit A (Original Contract) is attached hereto, incorporated by reference herein and made a part of this amended contract.

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3. **<u>REQUIRED APPROVAL</u>**. This amendment to the original contract shall not become effective until and unless approved by the Nevada State Board of Examiners.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this amendment to the original contract to be signed and intend to be legally bound thereby.

8 Vice Prisident () Independent Contract ations nD pendent Contractor's Signature Executive Officer Title Rob Boeluner for Su wn APPROVED BY BOARD OF EXAMINERS

Signature -Board of Examiners

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Date

Approved as to form by: De Inty Attorney General On: 12 Aug 19

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## AMENDMENT # One

## TO CONTRACT FOR SERVICES OF INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR

Between the State of Nevada Acting By and Through Its

Agency Name:	Department of Administration Nevada Public Employees Deferred Compensation Program
Address:	209 E. Musser Street, Room 304
City, State, Zip Code:	Carson City, Nevada 89701
Contact:	Contracts Unit
Phone:	775-684-0273
Email:	ASDContractsGroup@admin.nv.gov

Contractor Name:	Casey Neilon, Inc.
Address:	503 N. Division Street
City, State, Zip Code:	Carson City, Nevada 89703
Contact:	Suzanne Olsen
Phone:	775-283-5555
Email:	solsen@caseyneilon.com

- 1. AMENDMENTS. For and in consideration of mutual promises and other valuable consideration, all provisions of the original Contract and dated April 14, 2020, attached hereto as Exhibit A, remain in full force and effect with the exception of the following:
  - A. <u>Provide a brief explanation for contract amendment.</u>

This is the first amendment to the original contract which provides a financial statement audit. This amendment extends the termination date from July 31, 2021, to July 31, 2023, and increases the maximum amount from \$71,750 to \$134,750 due to the continued need for these services.

## B. <u>Current Contract Language:</u>

3. CONTRACT TERM. This Contract shall be effective as noted below, unless sooner terminated by either party as specified in Section 10, Contract Termination. Contract is subject to Board of Examiners' approval

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6. CONSIDERATION. The parties agree that Contractor will provide the services specified in Section 5, Incorporated Documents at a cost as noted below:

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#### C. Amended Contract Language:

3. CONTRACT TERM. This Contract shall be effective as noted below, unless sooner terminated by either party as specified in Section 10, Contract Termination. Contract is subject to Board of Examiners' approval

Effective from:	Upon Approval of Board of Examiners	To:	July 31, 2023
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6. CONSIDERATION. The parties agree that Contractor will provide the services specified in Section 5, Incorporated Documents at a cost as noted below:

Total Contract Not to Exceed: \$134,750.00	
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- INCORPORATED DOCUMENTS. Exhibit A (original Contract) is attached hereto, incorporated by reference herein
  and made a part of this amended contract.
- REQUIRED APPROVAL. This amendment to the original Contract shall not become effective until and unless approved by the Nevada State Board of Examiners.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this amendment to the original contract to be signed and intend to be legally bound thereby.

Shareholder, CPA Suzanne-Olsen DARSI Independent Contractor's Title 05/07/2021 Deferred Compensation Executive Officer Robert Boehmer Date Title APPROVED BY BOARD OF EXAMINERS Signature - Board of Examiners On: Date Approved as to form/by: 7/21 On: Deputy Attomey General for Attomey General Date



April 30, 2021

Mr. Rob Boehmer Department of Administration 209 E. Musser St., Room 304 Carson City, NV 89701

Dear Rob and the Deferred Compensation Committee:

We are pleased to have the opportunity to request an extension on our contract to audit the Nevada Public Employee's Deferred Compensation Plan and the Nevada Public FICA Alternative Deferred Compensation Plan ("the Plans") for the period from July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2023. The shareholders and staff of Casey Neilon, Inc. have a long and well-respected experience record in performing audits of local governments and special districts, along with an excellent reputation for providing high quality service to clients and an expertise in insurance accounting and auditing.

## **Contract Extension**

## Audits and Agreed Upon Procedures:

If appointed as your independent auditors, we will audit the financial statements of the Plans and provide agreed upon procedures as set forth in the original contract for the period from July I, 2018 to June 30, 2020 in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. Our fee will include assisting management with drafting the financial statements and related footnote disclosures. Our fee does presume, however, that all third party pay centers and the record keeper reply timely for requested information, plus schedules and reconciliations of accounts as requested, and that staff will pull any source documentation for testing that we need.

Our proposed fee for performing the audit and the agreed upon procedure is not to exceed \$30,000 for FY21, not to exceed \$31,000 for FY22, and not to exceed \$32,000 for FY23, excluding any outof-pocket costs. If it comes to our attention that significant additional bookkeeping and accounting assistance must be performed in order to produce a properly adjusted trial balance, we will discuss an appropriate modification to the fee prior to beginning any work. Additional time and costs associated with other services such as attending board meetings, etc. will be billed at our standard hourly rates, plus travel and other out-of-pocket costs such as report production, typing, postage, etc.

If appointed as your independent auditors, annually, we will prepare for your signature an engagement letter that will state the nature and terms of our engagement.

## Consulting:

Our fees for consulting, as requested by management, will be based on the actual time spent at our standard hourly rates, plus travel and other out-of-pocket costs such as report production, typing, postage, etc. Any consulting engagements would be carefully analyzed prior to acceptance to ensure that independence standards would not be violated.

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Our standard hourly rates vary according to the degree of responsibility involved and the experience level of the personnel assigned. Our invoices for these fees will be rendered each month as work progresses and are payable on presentation. In accordance with our firm policies, work may be suspended if your account becomes 30 days or more overdue and may not be resumed until your account is paid in full. In addition, it is our policy to assess a finance charge of one and a half percent (1.5%) per month on all accounts past due more than 30 days. This represents an annual percentage rate of eighteen percent (18%).

#### Information on Proposer

#### Statement of Experience

The shareholders of Casey Neilon, Inc. have over 95 years combined experience in public accounting. All team members that would be involved in your engagement have significant accounting and auditing education in the form of in-house seminars, self-study, and attendance at local and national conferences. This dedication to continuing education is a focal point of our firm. We are currently staffed with 20 employees, comprised of 6 certified public accountants and 7 accountants. Our firm's accountants have served as auditors for many businesses, insurance programs, local governments, and special districts over the last 30 years.

All members of our proposed engagement team receive more than the minimum required education under professional standards. All of our staff receives in excess of 40 hours per year in total continuing education, which exceeds our requirements under state law. We encourage our staff to obtain continuing professional education in fields appropriate to the nature of accounting services they are providing; therefore our senior staff has governmental specific education.

We also provide national firm resources and capabilities through our affiliation with the Alliott Group, an association of 100 public accounting firms worldwide. The Alliott Group is an exclusive worldwide association of independent accounting and consulting firms founded to pursue excellence and quality in accounting and business consulting services. Management and staff from these firms work with us to provide the requisite industry and service expertise when required.

Casey Neilon, Inc. is committed to equal opportunity. We recruit, employ and promote without regard to race, religion, age, sex, national origin or disability, and as women comprise 100% of our ownership, we qualify as a minority owned business.

#### Independence:

Casey Neilon, Inc. is independent of the Plans as defined under professional standards.

#### Licenses to Practice in Nevada;

Casey Neilon, Inc. and all assigned key engagement personnel are properly licensed to practice public accounting in the State of Nevada.

Casey Neilon, Inc, has no record of substandard work with the State Board of Accountancy or the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. In addition, we have not had any disciplinary actions imposed upon us by any regulatory agency. Casey Neilon, Inc. has undergone an independent peer review in accordance with the requirements of the AICPA. Our last peer review was completed in December 2017.

#### Commitment to Client Service:

We believe that you deserve a firm that takes your success as personally as you do. Client continuity is important in public accounting. We believe that building strong relationships between our clients and the engagement team members is a win-win combination.

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## **Commitment to Quality:**

One of the most important factors in our firm's success is an uncompromising commitment to the highest standards of quality and professionalism. Providing quality service to our clients is our primary objective, and we have developed review procedures and communications that ensure the highest standards of performance.

## Names and Qualifications:

Suzanne Olsen will be the firm shareholder in charge of your engagement. Suzanne has 17 years of experience in public accounting, and is currently responsible for most of the governmental audits that our firm performs.

If appointed as your auditors, we will determine the appropriate level of senior and/or staff accountants to assign to your engagement. All of the senior and staff accountants have experience in performing audits, and we will assign the most appropriate individual(s) to this audit based upon our evaluation of the best match of staff to the specific requirements of your engagement.

For quality control purposes, our firm requires an independent compliance review of the audit report prior to issuance in final form. Nicola Neilon, a shareholder of the firm, experienced with government accounting and auditing will be assigned that task to ensure all appropriate disclosures and required information are included in the report.

We are committed to providing all of our clients the highest level of service available. We appreciate the opportunity to provide you with this proposal, and look forward to your consideration of it. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to call us.

Very truly yours,

Suyanne Olsen / DJC Suzanne Ólsen, CPA

Accepted by:

Nevada Public Employees Deferred Compensation Plans

## **VENDOR RATING WORKSHEET**

Agency Name:	Nevada Deferred Compensation	Vendor: <u>Hyas</u>	Group
Contract Monitor	/Rater:	Date of Rating:	12/31/2021
Document Numbe	er:	Signature/Notes:	

Default is standard. If category being rated is not applicable the vendor score defaults to standard.

Rating Categories	Below Standard	Standard	Above Standard
Customer Services			
Timeliness			
Quality			
Technology			
Flexibility			
Pricing			

## OVERALL RATING:

Any rating other than standard requires explanation and documentation.

**COMMENTS:** 

## **Category Definitions**

CUSTOMER SERVICE: degree of responsiveness provided by the contractor/supplier to an agencies request for assistance

**TIMELINESS**: degree to which the contractor supplied product or service within the time frames identified/specified in the contract/scope of work

QUALITY: degree to which a product or service meets or exceeds standards set forth in the contract/scope of work

**TECHNOLOGY:** the level to which the contractor/supplier utilizes current technologies to deliver and support products and services as specified in the contract/scope of work

FLEXIBILITY: adaptability of contractor/supplier to adjust to the State's changing needs

**PRICING:** the level to which the contractor/supplier adheres to the pricing structure outlined or specified in the contract/scope of work

#### **Rating Definitions**

**1=Below Standard:** Vendor performance regarding the terms and conditions of the contract/scope of work has been less than standard/satisfactory. Support documentation is required (overall score of less than 1.75).

2=Standard: Vendor has met all specifications/requirements of the contract/scope of work (overall score of 1.75-2.25).

**3=Above Standard:** Vendor performance regarding the terms and conditions of the contract/scope of work has been more than standard/satisfactory. Support documentation is required (overall score above 2.25).

## **VENDOR RATING WORKSHEET**

Agency Name:	Nevada Deferred Compensation	ensation Vendor: <u>Casey Neilon</u>		
Contract Monitor	·/Rater:	Date of Rating:	12/31/2021	
Document Numbe	er:	Signature/Notes:		

Default is standard. If category being rated is not applicable the vendor score defaults to standard.

Rating Categories	Below Standard	Standard	Above Standard
Customer Services			
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## **VENDOR RATING WORKSHEET**

Agency Name:	Nevada Deferred Compensation	Vendor: Voya F	inancial
Contract Monitor	/Rater:	Date of Rating:	01/01/2022
Document Numbe	er:	Signature/Notes:	

Default is standard. If category being rated is not applicable the vendor score defaults to standard.

Rating Categories	Below Standard	Standard	Above Standard
Customer Services			
Timeliness			
Quality			
Technology			
Flexibility			
Pricing			

## OVERALL RATING:

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**COMMENTS:** 

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## **Call for Speakers**

Applications due Friday, February 11.

NAGDCA's call for speakers is open! We are looking for the best and brightest in the public sector defined contribution industry who can inspire, educate and deliver helpful, practical information to our conference attendees. **Prior to completing a speaker application form, we ask that all interested parties review the roles and expectations listed below to ensure that those selected as presenters have a clear understanding of their responsibilities.** 

The NAGDCA Annual Conference is a curated experience; therefore, **submitting a speaker application does not guarantee a speaking spot**. The conference committee will review each submission and select individuals who best meet our programming needs. We look forward to reviewing your application!

#### Session Format

Most conference sessions are an hour long and are formatted as discussion panels featuring one moderator and three panelists. Sessions typically follow the below outline:

- 5 minute introduction of the topic and panelists by the moderator.
- 8-10 minutes for each panelist to share their perspective on the topic.
- 10 minutes of curated questions from the moderator.
- 10 minutes of Q&A with the audience ending with a summary and thanks.

#### Audience

The majority of conference attendees are **public sector defined contribution plan sponsors, committee, and Board members**. Attendees have varying levels of knowledge ranging from those new to public sector DC plans to individuals who have spent years in the industry. The secondary audience is made up of industry service providers including recordkeepers, consultants, and asset managers.

#### Speaker Application Process

- 1. Review moderator and panelist roles and expectations.
- 2. Review the session topics and sub-topics selected by the Annual Conference Committee.
- 3. Complete an application form for your desired session(s); indicating your preferred role and presentation content. Please note, all speakers should focus on providing content that is specific to the public sector.

#### Questions? Please contact Carly Miller at cmiller@amrms.com.



2022

**Committee Meetings** 

January 21, 2022

Annual Planning Session Virtual due to Covid

> March 10, 2022 Quarterly Meeting

> June 15, 2022 Quarterly Meeting

> > August 2022

**Quarterly Meeting** 

November/December 2022 Quarterly Meeting