

By: Anne H. Porter

An Ordinance to approve a contract with the City Attorney of Columbus, Ohio for legal representation in the Franklin County Municipal Court and to declare an emergency.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BEXLEY, OHIO:

Section 1. That the Mayor and Auditor are hereby authorized and directed to execute a contract on behalf of the City with the City Attorney of Columbus, Ohio for legal representation in the Franklin County Municipal Court for the period January 1, 1998 to December 31, 1998 at an hourly rate of \$60 per hour, said contract to be substantially in the form attached to this Ordinance as Exhibit A.

Section 2. That this Ordinance is an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, said emergency being the necessity of assuring uninterrupted representation of the City in matters pending before the Franklin County Municipal Court, and this Ordinance shall go into force and effect upon its passage and approval by the Mayor.

Passed: April 14, 1998

[Signature]
President of Council

Attest: [Signature]
Clerk of Council

3-10-98 first reading
3-31-98 second reading
4-14-98 third reading
passed

Approved: 4/14, 1998

[Signature]
David H. Madison, Mayor

CONTRACT

This Agreement, entered into beginning on January 1, 1998 by and between Janet E. Jackson, City Attorney of Columbus, Ohio, pursuant to Ordinance No. 374-96, passed February 26, 1996, and the City of Bexley, Ohio, by _____, pursuant to Ordinance/Resolution No. _____, for the prosecution of certain cases before the Franklin County Municipal Court, Criminal Division, and for the representation of the Bureau of Motor Vehicles of certain cases in the Franklin County Municipal Court, Civil Division; now, therefore, the parties hereto agree as follows:

Janet E. Jackson, City Attorney of Columbus, Ohio, hereby agrees that she will undertake to prosecute, by and through personnel employed by the Columbus City Prosecutor's Office, all cases coming before the Franklin County Municipal Court, Criminal Division, arising out of alleged violations of traffic and criminal ordinances of the City of Bexley, Ohio, or traffic and criminal statutes of the State of Ohio, which occur within the limits of the City of Bexley, Ohio; provided, however, Janet E. Jackson, City Attorney of Columbus, Ohio, reserves the right to decline to represent the City of Bexley, Ohio under this contract in any specific case filed in or coming before the Franklin County Municipal Court upon giving written notice to the City Solicitor of the City of Bexley, Ohio, seven days before a scheduled hearing in that specific case; and provided further that the City Solicitor of the City of Bexley, Ohio reserves the right under this contract to represent the City of Bexley, Ohio in any specific case filed in or coming before the Franklin County Municipal Court upon giving written notice to Janet E. Jackson, City Attorney for the City of Columbus, Ohio, seven days before a scheduled hearing in that specific case that the City Solicitor of the City of Bexley, Ohio, intends to represent said City or Village in that specific case. When the aforementioned notice is given that the City Solicitor of the City of Bexley, Ohio will represent said municipality in a specific case and no prosecution time has been expended but a file has been prepared, or subpoenas issued, or other preliminary work done on that case, there shall be a bill for whatever time has been expended on the case, which the municipality agrees to pay.

Janet E. Jackson, City Attorney of Columbus, Ohio, further agrees that she will direct her prosecutor personnel who are to perform the services contemplated by this Contract, to consult and advise the officers of the City of Bexley, Ohio, Police Department, and all other appropriate officials of the City of Bexley, Ohio, when necessary, concerning the prosecution or enforcement of the criminal and traffic statutes of the State of Ohio and ordinances of the City of Bexley, Ohio, within the limits of said City of Bexley, Ohio.

Janet E. Jackson, City Attorney of Columbus, Ohio, further agrees that she will, by and through the personnel assigned to duties in the Columbus City Prosecutor's Office, consistent with its policies and practice in connection with its duties in the City of Columbus, consult with and advise all persons concerning violations of the criminal statutes of the State of Ohio, alleged to have occurred within the limits of the City of Bexley, Ohio, and will assist such citizens, when necessary, in the interests of justice, when requested by the local police or prosecutor, in the preparation and filing of complaints charging such offenses.

Janet E. Jackson, City Attorney of Columbus, Ohio, further agrees that she will undertake to represent the Bureau of Motor Vehicles, by and through personnel employed by the Columbus City Attorney's Office, in all cases coming before the Franklin County Municipal Court, Civil Division, arising out of the appeal procedures of Ohio Revised Code Sections 4511.191 and 4507.40, and in which the legal representative of the City of Bexley, Ohio, would have a duty to represent the Bureau of Motor Vehicles.

The City of Bexley, Ohio, in consideration of the above, promises to Janet E. Jackson, City Attorney of Columbus, Ohio, and agrees to pay to Janet E. Jackson, City Attorney of Columbus, Ohio, for deposit in the Treasurer of the City of Columbus, the sum of Sixty Dollars (\$60.00) per hour, being the uniform rate per hour for such services by members of the City Prosecutor's staff, with a minimum charge of one-half hour for each scheduled court hearing, as fixed by resolution of the Council of the

City of Columbus. Said sum due to be stated on invoice from the City Attorney of Columbus, Ohio, at approximately monthly intervals.

It is mutually understood and agreed that the responsibility of Janet E. Jackson, City Attorney of Columbus, Ohio, under this Contract shall be limited to those functions set out above, and specifically that she and her Prosecutor or other designated personnel, by which she chooses to perform this Contract, shall not be required to engage in any investigations other than those normally performed by the Columbus City Prosecutor's Office in regard to and incident to the prosecution thereby of routine cases arising in the City of Columbus, the taking of depositions, the prosecution of appeals by the plaintiff City or State from judgments of the Franklin County Municipal Court, or the preparation or consideration of legislation, consistent with the policies and practice of the Prosecutor's office in connection with criminal offenses in the City of Columbus.

It is further mutually understood and agreed that, notwithstanding any of the above provisions of this Contract, the City of Bexley, Ohio shall have the absolute right, in its sole discretion, to undertake to prosecute by and through the Prosecutor of the City of Bexley, Ohio, any case coming before the Franklin County Municipal Court, arising out of alleged violations of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Bexley, Ohio, or alleged violations of the traffic and criminal statutes of the State of Ohio, which occur within the limits of the City of Bexley, Ohio, or any appeal from judgments of the Franklin County Municipal Court relating thereto.

It is further mutually understood and agreed that, Janet E. Jackson, City Attorney of Columbus, Ohio, shall notify the City of Bexley, Ohio, by and through its Prosecutor, of the filing of any Notice of Appeal from judgments of the Franklin County Municipal Court within the purview of this Contract, within five (5) days of such filing, whether such Notice of Appeal is filed on behalf of the City of Bexley, Ohio or on behalf of any defendant. The City of Bexley, Ohio shall notify Janet E. Jackson, City Attorney of Columbus, Ohio, within ten (10) days thereafter if it intends to handle that appeal, and in

the absence of such notice, agrees that Janet E. Jackson, City Attorney of Columbus, Ohio, shall handle that appeal at the hourly rate specified herein.

It is further mutually understood and agreed that the City of Bexley, Ohio shall have the right to decline the prosecution of any appeal on its behalf by Janet E. Jackson, City Attorney of Columbus, Ohio; however, should Janet E. Jackson, City Attorney of Columbus, Ohio, desire to prosecute an appeal from any judgment of the Franklin County Municipal Court within the purview of this Contract, that the City of Bexley, Ohio has declined to prosecute, then Janet E. Jackson, City Attorney of Columbus, Ohio, shall have the right to prosecute such appeal at her own expense. and the City of Bexley, Ohio agrees to provide the City Attorney with any information necessary to prosecute such appeal.

This Contract may be terminated by either party hereto at any time before the expiration thereof by giving thirty (30) days written notice to the other party of its intention to terminate.

The parties hereto further agree that this Contract shall be in full force and effect from the 1st day of January, 1998 through December 31, 1998 unless terminated earlier, as provided herein.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Contract, this _____ day of _____, 1998.

CITY OF COLUMBUS, DEPT. OF LAW
JANET E. JACKSON, CITY ATTORNEY

Janet E. Jackson

City of Bexley, Ohio

By _____

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February 13, 1998

Mr. James H. Gross
City Attorney
City of Bexley
2242 East Main Street
Bexley, Ohio 43209

Re: 1998 Contract with the
City of Columbus City Attorney's Office

Dear Mr. Gross:

Enclosed please find an original and two copies of the 1998 contract between the City of Bexley and Janet E. Jackson, City Attorney of Columbus, Ohio for legal representation in the Franklin County Municipal Court, Criminal Division and also representation of the Bureau of Motor Vehicles of certain cases in the Civil Division of the Franklin County Municipal Court. The term of the contract is from January 1, 1998, to December 31, 1998.

Please sign all contacts and fill in the blank for your ordinance or resolution number. These contracts must have certification with the Columbus City Auditor's Office, therefore, it is imperative that all three copies be returned to this office for my signature. Upon receipt of the same, an executed copy will be returned to you.

As you may note there has been a rate increase for this year. The hourly rate has been increased from \$55.00 per hour to \$60.00 per hour. This hourly rate will be effective for the term of the contract.

If you have any questions, please contact me.

Sincerely,

Janet E. Jackson
City Attorney
City of Columbus

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Enclosures (3)