



**RESOLUTION G2014-02**

Resolution Retaining Elizabeth M. Stanton and  
the Firm of Taft, Stettinius & Hollister, LLP  
as Legal Counsel to Advise and Represent  
the Township in Annexation Matters  
and Dispensing with the Second Reading

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of Symmes Township, Hamilton County, Ohio, deems it necessary and advisable to employ legal counsel to advise and represent the Township on legal matters relating to annexation;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Symmes Township that:

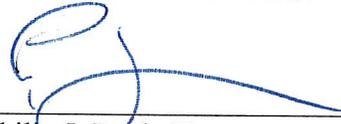
- Section 1. Elizabeth M. Stanton and the firm of Taft, Stettinius & Hollister, LLP, be retained as Legal Counsel to advise and represent Symmes Township on legal matters relating to annexation.
- Section 2. Representation will be paid for as follows: \$250.00 per hour partner and senior attorney time; \$190.00 per hour associate attorney time; and \$95.00 per hour law clerk or legal assistant time. Rate is fixed for six months but subject to increase thereafter, with a maximum increase of six (6%) percent every six (6) months. Time spent on travel and telephone calls is considered billable time. Court costs and expenses will be paid by the Township. Fees will be paid monthly upon receipt of the bill.
- Section 3. Board will execute a Retainer Agreement reciting these terms, a copy of which is incorporated herein as Exhibit "A".
- Section 4. The Trustees of Symmes Township upon majority vote do hereby dispense with the requirement that this Resolution be read on two separate days, and hereby authorize the adoption of this Resolution upon its first reading.
- Section 5. This Resolution shall be adopted as an emergency necessary for the immediate preservation of the public, peace, health, safety or welfare of the community for the reason that it is necessary to maintain the continuity of legal services for this Township.

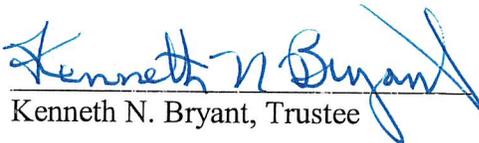
Section 6. It is hereby determined that all formal actions of the Board of Trustees relating to the adoption of this Resolution were taken in an open meeting of the Board of Township Trustees and that all deliberations of such Board of Trustees were in meeting open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

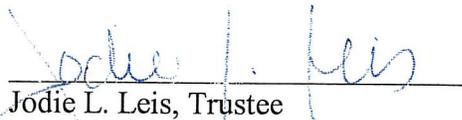
ADOPTED JANUARY 7, 2014

Vote Record: Mr. Beck Aye Mr. Bryant Aye Mrs. Leis Aye

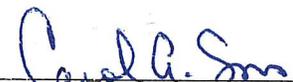
BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

  
Philip J. Beck, Trustee

  
Kenneth N. Bryant, Trustee

  
Jodie L. Leis, Trustee

ATTEST:

  
Carol A. Sims, Fiscal Officer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Robert P. Malloy, Law Director