GLOUCESTER SALEM CUMBERLAND COUNTIES MUNICIPAL JOINT INSURANCE FUND

RESOLUTION 2023-____O

A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING AND ACCEPTING THE RESIGNATION OF COOPER LEVENSON AS ASSIGNED DEFENSE COUNSEL

WHEREAS, the Gloucester Salem Cumberland Counties Municipal Joint Insurance Fund (TRICOJIF) has been organized pursuant to *N.J.S.A.* 40A:10-36 et. seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Fund Commissioners of the TRICOJIF have previously found that it is necessary and appropriate to obtain certain legal services to defend the claims filed against the Member Municipalities of the TRICOJIF for which the TRICOJIF is obligated to provide a legal defense on behalf of the Member Municipalities; and

WHEREAS, the TRICOJIF, under the "Fair and Open" process, issued a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) on August 13, 2021 for three (3), one (1) year Contracts for Assigned Defense Counsel for General Liability matters, and the ACMJIF, after reviewing and evaluating all of the responses received to the RFQ, on January 24, 2022, awarded Contracts to seven (7) firms to serve as General Liability Assigned Defense Counsel; and

WHEREAS, one of the firms that was awarded a Contract to serve as General Liability Defense Counsel was Cooper Levenson with Carmelo T. Torraco, Esquire, Louis Niedelman, Esquire, Russell Lichtenstein, Esquire, and Brian Barr, Esquire serving as Assigned Defense Counsel; and

WHEREAS, by email dated June 5, 2023, Kenneth J. Calemmo, Jr., Esquire, the Chief Operating Officer of the Firm, on behalf of Cooper Levenson, submitted the firm's resignation to serve as Assigned Defense Counsel for the TRICOJIF, effective immediately; and

WHEREAS, through this Resolution, the TRICOJIF shall confirm and accept the resignation of Cooper Levenson effective June 26, 2023, as requested by Cooper Levenson; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Commissioners of the Gloucester Salem Cumberland Counties Municipal Joint Insurance Fund assembled in a public session on June 26, 2023, that effective June 26, 2023, the resignation of Cooper Levenson to serve as Assigned Defense Counsel is hereby confirmed and accepted by the ACMJIF.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the copies of this Resolution shall be provided to the Administrator/Executive Director, Fund Solicitor, and Claims Administrator of the TRICOJIF and Cooper Levenson for their information and attention.

This Resolution was duly adopted by the Gloucester Salem Cumberland Counties Municipal Joint Insurance Fund at a public meeting held on June 26, 2023.

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By:

Chairman

Attest

Dated: June 26, 2023