

**AUTHORIZE RETENTION OF FREDRICK H. BATES, ESQ. AND
MARTIN R. CASTRO, ESQ. OF THE FIRM SEYFARTH SHAW**

THE GENERAL COUNSEL RECOMMENDS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Retention of Fredrick H. Bates, Esq. and Martin R. Castro, Esq., of the firm Seyfarth Shaw.

DESCRIPTION: Retain Fredrick H. Bates, Esq. and Martin R. Castro, Esq. to serve as independent hearing

officers for principal removal hearings. Authorization is requested in the amount of \$30,000. As invoices are received, they will be reviewed by the General Counsel and, if satisfactory, processed for payment.

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

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION STATUS: Affirmative action status is not applicable to this report.

FINANCIAL: Charge \$30,000.00 to Law Department- Legal and Supportive Services - Professional Services:
Fiscal Year 2004 Budget Classification0014-210-000-1011-5410

GENERAL CONDITIONS:

Inspector General - Each party to the agreement shall acknowledge that, in accordance with 105 ILCS 5/34-