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**HOLLAND & KNIGHT, LLP**

**THE GENERAL COUNSEL REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:**

Authorize the continued retention of the law firm Holland & Knight, LLP.

**DESCRIPTION:** Authorize the continued retention of Holland & Knight, LLP in the negotiation of agreements with various consultants to provide software, hardware and technical services, including E-rate eligible services, and legal services related to the supported reading materials project. Authorization is requested for the firm's services in the amount of \$150,000.00. 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:** None.

**FINANCIAL:** Charge \$150,000.00 to Law Department- Legal and Supportive Service - Professional Services: Budget Classification Fiscal Year 2007.....0014-210-000-1011-5410

**GENERAL CONDITIONS:**

Inspector General - Each party to the agreement shall acknowledge that, in accordance with 105 ILCS 5/34-12.4, the Inspector General of the Chicago Board of Education has the authority to conduct certain