



Request # WCP25-025
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CITY OF PITTSBURGH
REQUEST FOR WAIVER OF COMPETITIVE
PROCESS

Contract Title: Rulis & Bochicchio LLC

Contract Description: Defense of Workers' Compensation matters and claims against the City

Contract Duration: 1/1/17 to 12/31/2028 Previous Contract # (if applicable) 52155

Requesting Department: Human Resource & Civil Service Contract Type: Professional Services 

Requests for exemption must be based on one or more of the categories listed in City Code 161.02B located here:

Please list all exemption types that apply (see page 2) 5

Justification*:

With 30 open claims in litigation and four months of unknown remaining in their contract it is in the best interest for the city to extend this contract with our current workers' compensation attorneys to assure continuity of our litigation strategies & to defer costs associated with the possible transfer of our cases to another firm. Our current workers' compensation attorneys are intimately familiar with attorneys hired by our Police and Fire unions and these relationships help us to expedite decisions that are in the best interest of all parties. New legislation providing workers' compensation coverage for Post-Traumatic Syndrome Injuries (PTSI; see Act 121 of 2024) will further challenge the city's contracted workers' compensation attorneys and strategies are being developed to protect the best interests of the City; consistency in our representation is integral to navigating this impactful bill.

Signed by: Paula J Kellerman Date: 9/9/2025
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Department Director

*In addition to the justification, Law may request additional backup information.

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Waiver Request is hereby: X Granted Denied

Chief Solicitor: Krysia Kubiak Date: 9/17/2025
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