RESOLUTION R026-2026

WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP
GLOUCESTER COUNTY

RESOLUTION CONSENTING TO THE APPOINTMENT OF PATRICK J. MADDEN, LLC AS SPECIAL CONFLICT COUNSEL FOR OPRA REQUESTS AND AUTHORIZING THE PROPER OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR A TERM OF ONE (1) YEAR

WHEREAS, a need exists for a Special Conflict Counsel for OPRA Requests for the Township of Washington; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law N.J.S.A. 40:11-1 et seq. requires that the resolution authorizing the award of contracts for "Professional Services" without competitive bids must be advertised; and

WHEREAS, this contract is awarded in accordance with the Fair and Open procedures as established in the "Pay to Play" Law N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, by the Township Council of the Township of Washington, County of Gloucester and State of New Jersey that **PATRICK J. MADDEN, LLC**, is appointed as Special Conflict Counsel OPRA Requests for the Township of Washington; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Washington, County of Gloucester and State of New Jersey that:

1. The Mayor is authorized to sign a contract with **PATRICK J. MADDEN, LLC, 204 GLENWOOD, AVE., HADDONFIELD, NJ 08033** on behalf of the Township of Washington, contingent upon the review and approval of the Township Solicitor.
2. The contract period shall be from January 1, 2026 to December 31, 2026 not to exceed $20,000.00
3. The CFO has certified that funds are available in the 2026 budget in line item #6-01-20-155-000-038, entitled Twp Attorney – Legal Services.
4. Notice of the contract award shall be published in the South Jersey Times.

BE IT RESOLVED, a copy of this Resolution is to be forwarded to the Township Clerk, CFO, Administrator and Professional.

TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON

By: _____
Peter Del Borrello III, Council President

CERTIFICATION OF AVAILABLE OF FUNDS

By: _____
Colette Bachich, Chief Financial Officer

I, Christine Ciallella, do certify this to be a true copy of Resolution **R026-2026** adopted by the Township of Washington, Gloucester County, at the reorganization meeting held on January 2, 2026 and shall take effect immediately.

By: _____
Christine Ciallella, RMC/CMR
Township Clerk

Members	Motion	Second	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent	Recuse
Yerkes		X	X				
Harris	X		X				
Pasqualone			X				
Brown			X				
Del Borrello			X				