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THE ANTOINE LAW FIRM, LLC

WILSON D. ANTOINE, ESQ.

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MANAGING PARTNER

July 29, 2019

Karen A. Sullivan, PURCHASING MANAGER
c/o Township Clerk
Township of Livingston
357 South Livingston Avenue
Livingston, New Jersey 07039

Re: RFP Responding to RFP No. 013-2019 – Professional Services- Special Counsel

Dear Ms. Sullivan:

I hope this letter finds you doing well. My name is Wilson D. Antoine, and I am managing partner and sole owner and attorney of The Antoine Law Firm, LLC (the "Firm"). I grew up in the township of Livingston (the "Township"), and my parents and two of my siblings still reside there. Accordingly, it would be an honor to render services to the Township where I resided more than half of my life, and where most of my immediate family still reside. In this respect, I write this letter on behalf of the Firm to address the required qualifications set forth in § IV of RFP No. 013-2019. For clarity and ease of reference, I have placed those qualification in same order as listed in the RFP:

A. Minimum Candidate Qualifications

1. The Firm has sufficient resources to satisfy the scope of services described in Section II of this document. Clerical and paralegal services are provided on an as-needed basis by independent contractor MA Services. The Firm makes use of cutting-edge technology to maximize efficiency including, but not limited to (1) Adobe Acrobat XI Professional for management, Bates stamping, organizing and production of documents; (2) Westlaw for all legal researching needs and latest forms; and (3) Microsoft Office Professional Plus for the processing and creation of all necessary legal documents. The Firm's Newark location also has access to ample space for holding conferences with represented town employees, depositions, and other necessary hearings, as well as my main office for more intimate interactions with clients and other Township personnel.
2. I, Wilson David Antoine, Esq., the managing partner of the Firm, and the sole attorney with the Firm, am in good standing as an attorney in the State of New Jersey. Additionally, I am admitted to practice in the Federal District Court of New Jersey, the Third Circuit, the Supreme Court of the United States, and certain federal and all state courts in New York, in those rare circumstances where the need arises for the Township. Enclosed herewith are certificates of admission and/or good standing for all the bars to which I am admitted, in addition to my resume.
3. The Firm will carry professional liability insurance in the amount of at least \$2,000,000.00 for the term of the proposed contract.

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52 Underwood Street, Apt. 1L, Newark NJ 07106

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4. I have been an attorney in good standing in the State of New Jersey for over ten years. During that time, I have provided legal services to the City of Newark. For additional details, my resume is enclosed with the proposal.
5. The areas for which special counsel services are being proposed include the following:
 - a. Eminent domain condemnation and inverse condemnation claims and proceedings for the acquisition of properties for public purposes;
 - b. Personal Injury Litigation under the New Jersey Tort Claims Act;
 - c. Civil Rights Litigation under §§ 1983, 1985, and 1986 of the Federal Civil Rights Act, as well as under the New Jersey Civil Rights Act;
 - d. Employment and Discrimination litigation under the New Jersey Law Against Disabilities, the Americans with Disabilities Act, § 504 of the Rehabilitation Act, and related statutes;
 - e. Appellate Practice, including any Amici Curiae Briefs; and
 - f. Contract and Commercial Litigation.

B. Minimum Response Information Requirements

1. The full name of the Firm is the Antoine Law Firm, LLC. The full name of the applicant attorney is Wilson David Antoine, Esq. The address is 52 Underwood Street, Apt. 1L, Newark NJ 07106. A resume is enclosed with the proposal. I am a duly licensed attorney in the states of New Jersey and New York. My bar admissions are listed in full in the enclosed resume.
2. Qualifications and Experience:
 - a. Practice area designations in which special counsel designation is sought for Wilson D. Antoine who maintains office locations for the Firm at 52 Underwood Street, Apt. 1L, Newark, NJ 07106 and 542 Morristown Road, Linden, NJ 07036:
 - i. Eminent domain condemnation and inverse condemnation claims and proceedings for the acquisition of properties for public purposes;
 - ii. Personal Injury Litigation under the New Jersey Tort Claims Act;
 - iii. Civil Rights Litigation under §§ 1983, 1985, and 1986 of the Federal Civil Rights Act, as well as under the New Jersey Civil Rights Act.

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- iv. Employment and Discrimination litigation under the New Jersey Law Against Disabilities, the Americans with Disabilities Act, § 504 of the Rehabilitation Act, and related statutes.
- v. Appellate Practice, including any Amici Curiae Briefs;
- vi. Contract and Commercial Litigation.
- b. Lead attorney will be Wilson David Antoine, Esq.
- c. Representative matters by Lead Attorney:
 - i. Eminent domain condemnation and inverse condemnation claims and proceedings: Patricia Williams v. City of Newark (client), Docket No. ESX-L-003346-15 (Law Div. 2015) (Dismissed in part and Settled in part); Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company LLC v. Yaw Paw Camp Foundation of Ridgewood-Glen Rock, Inc. (client), et al. v. Ramundo et al., Civil Action No. 2:12-cv-07921-WJM-MF (D.N.J. 2012) (partially litigated as associate).
 - ii. Personal Injury under New Jersey Tort Claims Act: Mariela Martinez v. City of Newark (client) et al., Docket No. ESX-L-8529-14 (Law Div. 2014) (Automobile rear-end collision, dismissed on Summary Judgment and currently on appeal); Lori Browning v. City of Newark (client) et al., Docket No. ESX-L-1433-15 (Law Div. 2015) (slip and fall on public property, dismissed on Summary Judgment); Chiffon Brown v. City of Newark (client) et al., Docket No. ESX-L-1917-15 (Law Div. 2015) (failure to protect, dismissed on motion to dismiss in lieu of answer).
 - iii. Civil Rights Litigation: Ivan Mendelson v. City of Newark (client) et al., Civil Action No. 2:17-CV-1668-SDW-LDW (D.N.J. 2017) (alleged illegal police pursuit, dismissed on motion to dismiss in lieu of answer); Rahmon Richardson v. City of Newark et al. (clients), Civil Action No. 2:16-cv-00265-MCA-LDW (D.N.J. 2017) (excessive force police shooting, dismissed on Summary Judgment and currently on appeal); Jakill Young v. City of Newark et al. (clients), Civil Action No. 2:17-CV-1668-SDW-LDW (D.N.J. 2017) (false arrest, dismissed on motion to dismiss in lieu of answer).
 - iv. Employment and Discrimination litigation: Chinedu Ibrahim Ali v. City of Newark (client) et al., Civil Action No. 2:15-CV-8374-JLL-SCM (D.N.J. 2015) (Alleged disability discrimination by municipal court, dismissed in part and settled in part); Anthony Graves v. City

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of Newark (client), Docket Nos. ESX-L-7386-15, 5992-17 (Law Div. 2017) (employment discrimination matter, administratively dismissed pending administrative and criminal proceedings); Lasonya Jones et al. v. City of Newark (client) et al., Docket No. ESX-L-1204-16 (Law Div. 2016) (alleged discrimination by City personnel, dismissed on consent).

- v. Appellate Practice: Adriano Roman v. City of Newark et al. (clients), 914 F.3d 789 (3d Cir. 2019), and 2017 WL 4510988 (3d Cir. Appellee Brief Oct 6, 2017) (unlawful search and arrest, partially successful before Third Circuit, and currently on petition before the US Supreme Court); Jones v. Morey's Pier, Inc. v. PleasanTech Academy Education Association, 230 N.J. 142 (2017) (amicus curiae brief on behalf of the City of Newark to the Supreme Court of NJ).
 - vi. Contract and Commercial Litigation: Pantaleo Electric Co. v. English Paving Co., v. City of Newark (client), Docket No. ESX-L-5254-14 (Law Div. 2014) (breach of contract and mechanics lien, settled); Global Development Contractors Co. v. City of Newark (client), Docket No. ESX-L-3264-17 (Law Div. 2017) (breach of contract and unjust enrichment, settled during trial); Thumann Inc. (client) v. Capasso Provisions et al., Docket No. BER-L-2830-13 (Law Div. 2013) (breach of contract, judgment obtained in New Jersey, transferred to New York for collection).
- 3. \$150 per hour for attorney services, including, but not limited to, legal research, drafting legal documents, and hearing and court appearances. Reimbursement would be sought for all expenses that may be incurred, such as filing fees, deposition charges, copying costs, postage, service of process, expert services, printing, and related expenses. Reimbursable expenses would exclude costs of clerical and paralegal services of contractor MA Services, and for expenses incidental to legal research, from Westlaw, and transportation costs of counsel.
 - 4. The Firm and the undersigned agree to comply with N.J.S.A. 10:5-1, et. seq., (Law Against Discrimination) and P.L. 2004, c.57 (Business Registration law), and P.L. 1975, c. 127 (Affirmative Action Law of the State of New Jersey);
 - 5. I, Wilson D. Antoine, Esq., hereby certify under penalty of perjury that neither I, nor the Firm, have ever been reprimanded, censured, or suspended for ethics violations. I certify that the foregoing statements of this paragraph made by me are true to best of my knowledge and belief. I am aware that if any of the foregoing statements made by me are willfully false, I am subject to punishment.

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6. The undersigned has provided legal services for the City of Newark for over three years. A municipal reference is Samora Noguera, Esq., Counsel to the City of Newark's Clerk's Office, work# 973-733-5354; cell# 319-621-0850.
7. No professional liability claims have been brought against the undersigned during the past five years.
8. The Firm will begin non-pro se legal services in earnest in 2020. Accordingly, the Firm was not required to maintain professional liability insurance for the calendar year 2019. The undersigned has not maintained professional liability insurance for 2019 because of full-time employment with the City of Newark as assistant corporation counsel.
9. Index for Enclosures in Proposal
 - a. Document Checklist;
 - b. Statement of Ownership Disclosure;
 - c. Non-Collusion Affidavit;
 - d. Affirmative Action Compliance Notice;
 - e. Disclosure of Investment Activities in Iran;
 - f. Business Registration Certificate;
 - g. Annual Report Certificate for 2019;
 - h. NJ Small Business Entity Certificate;
 - i. Minority Business Entity Certificate;
 - j. Firm Bio;
 - k. 2019 Certificate of Good Standing for State Superior Courts of New Jersey;
 - l. 2019 Certificate of Good Standing for State Courts of New York;
 - m. 2019 Certificate of Good Standing for Federal District Court of New Jersey;
 - n. Certificate of Admission to Federal Southern District of New York;
 - o. Certificate of Admission to Federal Eastern District of New York;
 - p. Certificate of Admission to Federal Third Circuit Court of Appeals;

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- q. Certificate of Admission to United States Supreme Court;
- r. Certificate of Appreciation for Service on State District Fee Arbitration Committee;
- s. Resume of undersigned.

Thank you in advance for your time and consideration. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Respectfully Submitted,

The Antoine Law Firm, LLC



Wilson D. Antoine, Esq.
Partner

Encl.

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DOCUMENT CHECKLIST

Required By Township	Read, Signed & Submitted
☒ Proposal Submission as per Section IV B of Specifications	☒
☒ Statement of Corporate Ownership (Appendix A)	☒
☒ Non-Collusion Affidavit (Appendix B)	☒
☒ Affirmative Action Compliance Notice (Appendix C)	☒
☒ State of New Jersey Division of Purchase and Property- Disclosure of Investment Activities in Iran (Appendix F)	☒
☒ Business Registration Certificate (not required to be submitted with proposal, but will be required prior to contract award)	☒

Required By Township	Read Only
☒ Exhibit A Mandatory Affirmative Action Language (Appendix D)	☒
☒ Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (Appendix E)	☒

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APPENDIX A

STATEMENT OF OWNERSHIP DISCLOSURE

N.J.S.A. 52:25-24.2 (P.L. 1977, c.33, as amended by P.L. 2016, c.43)

This statement shall be completed, certified to, and included with all bid and proposal submissions. Failure to submit the required information is cause for automatic rejection of the bid or proposal.

Name of Organization: The Antoine Law Firm, LLC

Organization Address: 52 Underwood Street, Apt. 1L, Newark, NJ 07106

Part I Check the box that represents the type of business organization:

- ☐ Sole Proprietorship (skip Parts II and III, execute certification in Part IV)
☐ Non-Profit Corporation (skip Parts II and III, execute certification in Part IV)
☐ For-Profit Corporation (any type) ☒ Limited Liability Company (LLC)
☐ Partnership ☐ Limited Partnership ☐ Limited Liability Partnership (LLP)
☐ Other (be specific): _____

Part II

- ☒ The list below contains the names and addresses of all stockholders in the corporation who own 10 percent or more of its stock, of any class, or of all individual partners in the partnership who own a 10 percent or greater interest therein, or of all members in the limited liability company who own a 10 percent or greater interest therein, as the case may be. (**COMPLETE THE LIST BELOW IN THIS SECTION**)

OR

- ☐ No one stockholder in the corporation owns 10 percent or more of its stock, of any class, or no individual partner in the partnership owns a 10 percent or greater interest therein, or no member in the limited liability company owns a 10 percent or greater interest therein, as the case may be. (**SKIP TO PART IV**)

(Please attach additional sheets if more space is needed):

Name of Individual or Business Entity	Home Address (for Individuals) or Business Address
Wilson D. Antoine, Esq.	542 Morristown Road, Linden, NJ 07036

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Part III DISCLOSURE OF 10% OR GREATER OWNERSHIP IN THE STOCKHOLDERS, PARTNERS OR LLC MEMBERS LISTED IN PART II

If a bidder has a direct or indirect parent entity which is publicly traded, and any person holds a 10 percent or greater beneficial interest in the publicly traded parent entity as of the last annual federal Security and Exchange Commission (SEC) or foreign equivalent filing, ownership disclosure can be met by providing links to the website(s) containing the last annual filing(s) with the federal Securities and Exchange Commission (or foreign equivalent) that contain the name and address of each person holding a 10% or greater beneficial interest in the publicly traded parent entity, along with the relevant page numbers of the filing(s) that contain the information on each such person. **Attach additional sheets if more space is needed.**

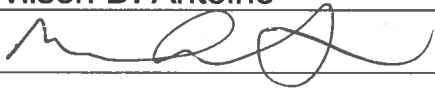
Website (URL) containing the last annual SEC (or foreign equivalent) filing	Page #'s
N/A	

Please list the names and addresses of each stockholder, partner or member owning a 10 percent or greater interest in any corresponding corporation, partnership and/or limited liability company (LLC) listed in Part II **other than for any publicly traded parent entities referenced above.** The disclosure shall be continued until names and addresses of every noncorporate stockholder, and individual partner, and member exceeding the 10 percent ownership criteria established pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:25-24.2 has been listed. **Attach additional sheets if more space is needed.**

Stockholder/Partner/Member and Corresponding Entity Listed in Part II	Home Address (for Individuals) or Business Address
N/A	

Part IV Certification

I, being duly sworn upon my oath, hereby represent that the foregoing information and any attachments thereto to the best of my knowledge are true and complete. I acknowledge: that I am authorized to execute this certification on behalf of the bidder/proposer; that the ***Township of Livingston*** is relying on the information contained herein and that I am under a continuing obligation from the date of this certification through the completion of any contracts with the ***Township of Livingston*** to notify the ***Township*** in writing of any changes to the information contained herein; that I am aware that it is a criminal offense to make a false statement or misrepresentation in this certification, and if I do so, I am subject to criminal prosecution under the law and that it will constitute a material breach of my agreement(s) with the ***Township of Livingston***, permitting the ***Township*** to declare any contract(s) resulting from this certification void and unenforceable.

Full Name (Print):	Wilson D. Antoine	Title:	Managing Partner
Signature:		Date:	7/29/2019

APPENDIX B
NON-COLLUSION AFFIDAVIT

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APPENDIX C

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION COMPLIANCE NOTICE N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 and N.J.A.C. 17:27

GOODS AND SERVICES CONTRACTS (INCLUDING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES)

This form is a summary of the successful bidder's requirement to comply with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 and N.J.A.C. 17:27.

The successful bidder shall submit to the public agency, after notification of award but prior to execution of this contract, one of the following three documents as forms of evidence:

- (a) A photocopy of a valid letter that the contractor is operating under an existing Federally approved or sanctioned affirmative action program (good for one year from the date of the letter);
- OR**
- (b) A photocopy of a Certificate of Employee Information Report approval, issued in accordance with N.J.A.C. 17:27-4;
- OR**
- (c) A photocopy of an Employee Information Report (Form AA302) provided by the Division and distributed to the public agency to be completed by the contractor in accordance with N.J.A.C. 17:27-4.

The successful vendor may obtain the Affirmative Action Employee Information Report (AA302) from the contracting unit during normal business hours.

The successful vendor(s) must submit the copies of the AA302 Report to the Division of Contract Compliance and Equal Employment Opportunity in Public Contracts (Division). The Public Agency copy is submitted to the public agency, and the vendor copy is retained by the vendor.

The undersigned vendor certifies that he/she is aware of the commitment to comply with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 and N.J.A.C. 17:27 and agrees to furnish the required forms of evidence.

The undersigned vendor further understands that his/her bid shall be rejected as non-responsive if said contractor fails to comply with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 and N.J.A.C. 17:27.

COMPANY: The Antoine Law Firm, LLC

SIGNATURE: 

PRINT NAME: Wilson D. Antoine, Esq.

TITLE: Managing Partner

DATE: 7/29/2019

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APPENDIX F

**State of New Jersey Division of Purchase and Property
DISCLOSURE OF INVESTMENT ACTIVITIES IN IRAN**

Solicitation Number RFP No. 013-2019 : Bidder / Offeror: The Antoine Law Firm, LLC

Pursuant to Public Law 2012, c. 25, any person or entity that submits a bid or proposal or otherwise proposes to enter into or renew a contract must complete the certification below to attest, under penalty of perjury, that the person or entity, or one of the person or entity's parents, subsidiaries, or affiliates, is not identified on a list created and maintained by the Department of the Treasury as a person or entity engaging in investment activities in Iran. If the Director finds a person or entity to be in violation of the principles which are the subject of this law, s/he shall take action as may be appropriate and provided by law, rule or contract, including but not limited to, imposing sanctions, seeking compliance, recovering damages, declaring the party in default and seeking debarment or suspension of the person or entity.

I certify, pursuant to Public Law 2012, c. 25, that the person or entity listed above for which I am authorized to bid/renew:

- ☒ is not providing goods or services of \$20,000,000 or more in the energy sector of Iran, including a person or entity that provides oil or liquefied natural gas tankers, or products used to construct or maintain pipelines used to transport oil or liquefied natural gas, for the energy sector of Iran, **AND**
- ☒ is not a financial institution that extends \$20,000,000 or more in credit to another person or entity, for 45 days or more, if that person or entity will use the credit to provide goods or services in the energy sector in Iran.

In the event that a person or entity is unable to make the above certification because it or one of its parents, subsidiaries, or affiliates has engaged in the above-referenced activities, a detailed, accurate and precise description of the activities must be provided in part 2 below under penalty of perjury. Failure to provide such will result in the proposal being rendered as non-responsive and appropriate penalties, fines and/or sanctions will be assessed as provided by law.

PART 2: PLEASE PROVIDE FURTHER INFORMATION RELATED TO INVESTMENT ACTIVITIES IN IRAN

You must provide a detailed, accurate and precise description of the activities of the bidding person/entity, or one of its parents, subsidiaries or affiliates, engaging in the investment activities in Iran outlined above by completing the boxes below.

PLEASE PROVIDE THOROUGH ANSWERS TO EACH QUESTION. IF YOU NEED ADDITIONAL SPACE, MAKE COPIES OF THIS FORM AND ATTACH HERETO

Name N/A Relationship to Bidder/Offeror N/A

Description of Activities N/A

Duration of Engagement N/A Anticipated Cessation Date N/A

Bidder/Offeror Contact Name The Antoine Law Firm, LLC Contact Phone Number 201-407-7869

Certification: I, being duly sworn upon my oath, hereby represent and state that the foregoing information and any attachments thereto to the best of my knowledge are true and complete. I attest that I am authorized to execute this certification on behalf of the above-referenced person or entity. I acknowledge that the State of New Jersey is relying on the information contained herein and thereby acknowledge that I am under a continuing obligation from the date of this certification through the completion of any contracts with the State to notify the State in writing of any changes to the answers of information contained herein. I acknowledge that I am aware that it is a criminal offense to make a false statement or misrepresentation in this certification, and if I do so, I recognize that I am subject to criminal prosecution under the law and that it will also constitute a material breach of my agreement(s) with the State of New Jersey and that the State at its option may declare any contract(s) resulting from this certification void and unenforceable.

Signature 

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STATE OF NEW JERSEY

BUSINESS REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE

DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY
DIVISION OF REVENUE
PO BOX 252
TRENTON, N J 08646-0252

TAXPAYER NAME:

THE ANTOINE LAW FIRM LLC

ADDRESS:

**52 UNDERWOOD STREET APT. 1L
NEWARK NJ 07036-0703**

EFFECTIVE DATE:

03/19/18

TRADE NAME:

SEQUENCE NUMBER:

2217682

ISSUANCE DATE:

03/19/18

James J. Quirone
Director
New Jersey Division of Revenue

FORM BR-6

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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY
DIVISION OF REVENUE AND ENTERPRISE SERVICES
ANNUAL REPORT CERTIFICATE

THE ANTOINE LAW FIRM LLC
0450233896

The Division of Revenue and Enterprise Services hereby affirms that the following annual report for THE ANTOINE LAW FIRM LLC was submitted on 01/01/2019 for the year: 2019

Registered Agent and Office

WILSON D. ANTOINE
52 UNDERWOOD STREET
APT. 1L
NEWARK, NJ 07106

Main Business Address

52 UNDERWOOD STREET
APT. 1L
NEWARK, NJ 07106

Officers and Directors

OTHER
WILSON ANTOINE
542 MORRISTOWN ROAD
LINDEN, NJ 07036-0703



Certificate Number : 2375908067
Verify this certificate online at
https://www1.state.nj.us/TYTR_StandingCert/JSP/Verify_Cert.jsp

*IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have
hereunto set my hand and affixed
my Official Seal, this
1st day of January, 2019*

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Elizabeth Maher Muoio".

Elizabeth Maher Muoio
State Treasurer

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State of New Jersey

PHIL MURPHY
Governor

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY
DIVISION OF REVENUE & ENTERPRISE SERVICES
P.O. BOX 026

SHEILA OLIVER
Lt. Governor

TRENTON, NJ 08625-034
PHONE: 609-292-2146 FAX: 609-984-6679

ELIZABETH MAHER MUOIO
Acting State Treasurer

APPROVED

under the

Small Business Set-Aside Act and Minority and Women Certification Program

This certificate acknowledges The Antoine Law Firm, LLC as a Category 1 approved Small Business Enterprise that has met the criteria established by N.J.A.C. 17:13 and/or 17:14.

This registration will remain in effect for three years. Annually the business must submit, not more than 60 days prior to the anniversary of the registration notice, an annual verification statement in which it shall attest that there is no change in the ownership, revenue eligibility or control of that business.

If the business fails to submit the annual verification statement by the anniversary date, the SBE registration will lapse and the business SBE status will be revoked in the New Jersey Selective Assistance Vendor information (NJSAVI) database that lists registered small businesses. If the business seeks to be registered again, it will have to reapply and complete the New SBE online registration located at:
www.njportal.com/DOR/SBERegistry/.



Peter Lowicki

Peter Lowicki
Deputy Director

Issued: 2/12/2019
Certification Number: A0082-68

Expiration: 2/12/2022



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State of New Jersey

PHILIP D. MURPHY
Governor

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY
DIVISION OF REVENUE AND ENTERPRISE SERVICES
33 WEST STATE STREET, 5TH FLOOR
P.O. BOX 026
TRENTON, NEW JERSEY 08625-026
PHONE: 609-292-2146 FAX: 609-984-6679

ELIZABETH MAHER MUOIO
State Treasurer

SHEILA Y. OLIVER
Lt. Governor

JAMES J. FRUSCIONE
Director

CERTIFIED

under the

Small Business Set-Aside Act and Minority and Women Certification Program

This certificate acknowledges **THE ANTOINE LAW FIRM LLC** is a MBE owned and controlled company, which has met the criteria established by N.J.A.C. 17:46.

This certification will remain in effect for three years. Annually the business must submit, not more than 20 days prior to the anniversary of the certification approval, an annual verification statement in which it shall attest that there is no change in the ownership, control or any other factor of the business affecting eligibility for certification as a minority or women-owned business.

If the business fails to submit the annual verification statement by the anniversary date, the certification will lapse and the business will be removed from the SAVI that lists certified minority and women-owned business. If the business seeks to be certified again, it will have to reapply and pay the \$100 application fee. In this case, a new application must be submitted prior the expiration date of this certification.



Peter Lowicki

Peter Lowicki
Deputy Director

Issued: March 18 2019
Certificate Number: 73853-21

Expiration: March 17, 2022

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THE ANTOINE LAW FIRM WELCOMES YOU

Tipping the scales of justice back in your favor.

ABOUT THE FIRM

The Antoine Law Firm, LLC, was founded in 2018, by Wilson David Antoine, Esq., an attorney with over a decade of experience in various fields of litigation, including trial, and appellate practice, in both the private and public sector.

The Firm recognizes the anxiety and stress that comes with any lawsuit, whether it is because you are defending your reputation against an unfounded claim, protecting your bank account from a looming judgment, or initiating your own case to secure your rights and what is rightfully yours. The complexity of court procedures and legal requirements can make justice feel elusive, even when you are confident that your position is both just and justified.

It is for this reason that the Firm takes the time to fully explain the legal process to you and provide you with regular updates on your case, all while employing creative strategies and deftly navigating rules and laws to tip the scales of justice back in your favor.

Whether you need legal consultation or the resolution of a civil case; whether you require assistance with an appeal or the collection of money in furtherance of a judgment, The Antoine Law Firm will take care of your legal needs, and be both your advocate and counsel in every sense.

If you are in need of unparalleled legal services, do not delay in contacting the Antoine Law Firm, as lawsuits are filled with deadlines that may negatively affect your case. The Firm serves Manhattan and Brooklyn areas in New York, as well as the Northern and Central areas of New Jersey, including Essex County, Union County, Bergen County, Hudson County, Middlesex County, and Morris County.

The Firm litigates civil cases at all levels, including New Jersey State Court at the municipal level, the Law Division, the Chancery Division, the Appellate Division, and the Supreme Court of New Jersey; the Supreme Court of New York, the Appellate Departments, and the Court of Appeals of New York; and the Federal District Court of New Jersey, the Eastern and Southern Districts of New York, the Third Circuit, and the Supreme Court of the United States.

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Supreme Court of New Jersey



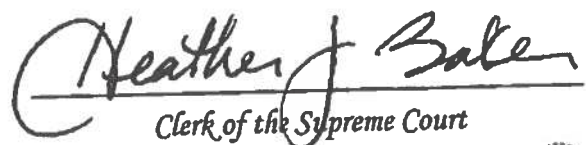
Certificate of Good Standing

This is to certify that **WILSON DAVID ANTOINE**
(No. **027922008**) was constituted and appointed an Attorney at Law of New
Jersey on **December 11, 2008** and, as such,
has been admitted to practice before the Supreme Court and all other courts of this State
as an Attorney at Law, according to its laws, rules, and customs.

I further certify that as of this date, the above-named is an Attorney at Law in
Good Standing. For the purpose of this Certificate, an attorney is in "Good Standing" if
the Court's records reflect that the attorney: 1) is current with all assessments imposed as a
part of the filing of the annual Attorney Registration Statement, including, but not
limited to, all obligations to the New Jersey Lawyers' Fund for Client Protection; 2) is not
suspended or disbarred from the practice of law; 3) has not resigned from the Bar of this
State; and 4) has not been transferred to Disability Inactive status pursuant to Rule 1:20-
12.

Please note that this Certificate does not constitute confirmation of an attorney's
satisfaction of the administrative requirements of Rule 1:21-1(a) for eligibility to practice
law in this State.

In testimony whereof, I have
hereunto set my hand and
affixed the Seal of the
Supreme Court, at Trenton, this
23RD day of January, 20 19.


Clerk of the Supreme Court



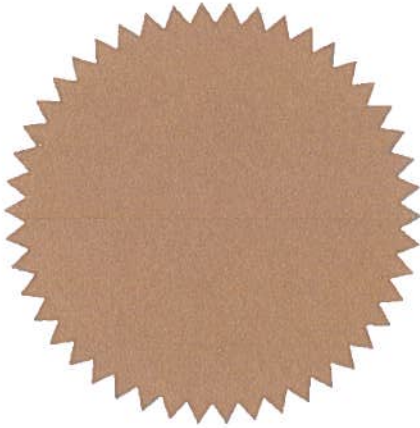
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**Appellate Division of the Supreme Court
of the State of New York
Second Judicial Department**

I, **Aprilanne Agostino**, Clerk of the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court of the State of New York, Second Judicial Department, do hereby certify that **Wilson David Antoine** was duly licensed and admitted to practice as an Attorney and Counselor-at-Law in all the courts of the State, according to the laws of the State and the court rules and orders, on the 18th day of **November 2009**, has duly taken and subscribed the oath of office prescribed by law, has been enrolled in the Roll of Attorneys and Counselors-at-Law on file in my office, has duly registered with the administrative office of the courts, and according to the records of this court is in good standing as an Attorney and Counselor-at-Law.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said Appellate Division on **January 22, 2019**.



Aprilanne Agostino

Clerk of the Court

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Certificate of Good Standing



United States of America

District of New Jersey

I, **WILLIAM T. WALSH**, Clerk of the United States District Court for the District of New Jersey, do hereby certify that:

Wilson David Antoine

was duly admitted to practice in said Court as of December 31, 2008, and is in good standing as a member of the Bar of said Court.

Dated at Trenton, New Jersey
on: February 21, 2017



WILLIAM T. WALSH, CLERK

By 

Marina Lucic, Deputy Clerk

U. S. District Court for the District of New Jersey does not entertain a grievance committee.
Contact Board of Bar Examiners, New Jersey State Supreme Court.

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA



Southern District of New York

I, Ruby J. Krajick, Clerk of Court of the United States District Court

Certify that

WILSON D. ANTOINE

was duly admitted and qualified to practice as an Attorney in the District Court on
the 30th day of April, 2019

In testimony whereof, I sign my name and affix the seal of the Court,
on this 30th day of April, 2019



Ruby J. Krajick
Clerk

United States District Court



Eastern District of New York

*I, Douglas C. Palmer,
Clerk of the United States District Court,
for the Eastern District of New York*

do hereby certify that

Wilson David Antoine

was duly admitted and qualified to practice as an Attorney 2019
of said District Court on the 24th *day of* May

In testimony whereof, I hereunto set my hand and affix the seal of said Court, at
office in Brooklyn in the Eastern District of New York this 24th *day of* May, 2019

Douglas C. Palmer, Clerk

By: *[Signature]* *Sal Mejia*, Deputy Clerk



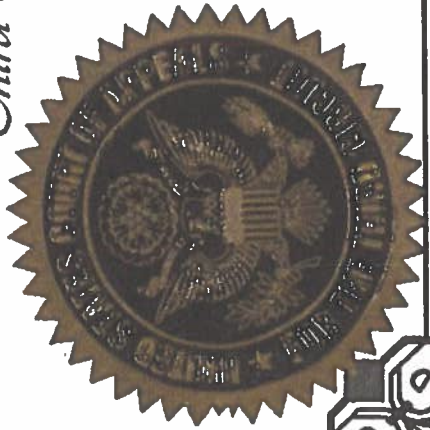
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United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit

Wilson D. Antoine

*was on motion of Arion M. Benjamin admitted as an attorney and
Counselor of the United States Court of Appeals for the
Third Circuit on the twenty-sixth of June two thousand seventeen.*



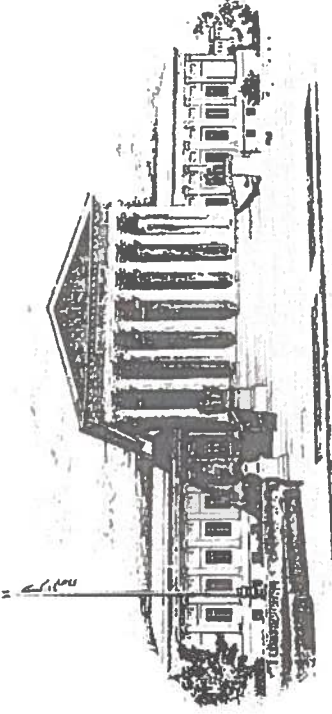
*In Testimony Whereof I, Marcia M. Waldron,
Clerk of said Court have herunto set my hand and
affixed the Seal of said Court at the City of Philadelphia
on this twenty-sixth of June two thousand seventeen.*

Marcia M. Waldron

Clerk

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Supreme Court of the United States of America



Wilson David Antoine, Esq.

of Newark, New Jersey

was on motion first made to the Court in this behalf by

Gary Scott Lipshutz

duly admitted and qualified as an Attorney and Counsellor of the Supreme Court of the United States on the first day of April, in the year of our Lord two thousand nineteen and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and forty-third.



In Testimony whereof as Clerk of said Court, I hereunto set my hand and affix the seal of the Court in Washington, D.C. this first day of April, 2019.

GWJ Stuenkel
Clerk of the Supreme Court of the United States

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The State of New Jersey

The Supreme Court of New Jersey

presents this Certificate of Appreciation to

Wilson Antoine, Esq.

in recognition of
Meritorious Public Service
as a member of the Supreme Court's
District Fee Committee.

Because of your selfless and untiring contribution of time and talent in the performance of your duties, the Judiciary, the Legal Profession and the Citizens of New Jersey are assured a higher degree of accountability, legal competence and ethical conduct from those who serve the public in the practice of law.



In Testimony whereof, I have
hereunto set my hand and affixed
the Seal of said Court at Trenton,
this 31st day of
August, 2018

Charles Centimero

Director, Office of Attorney Ethics
Supreme Court of New Jersey

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WORK EXPERIENCE

THE ANTOINE LAW FIRM, LLC, Newark, NJ

Partner, January 2018 to Present

Appeared for and represented clients in municipal traffic matters in New York and New Jersey. Successfully prosecuted civil breach of contract claims to judgment in New Jersey State court. Conducted collection proceedings in said matters. In State-court, successfully defended and settled breach-of-contract matter in medical field.

CITY OF NEWARK, LAW DEPARTMENT, Newark NJ

Assistant Corporation Counsel, June 2015 to Present

Courtroom Appearances Municipal Defense Litigation

Managing and Defending over 100 Litigation Cases on behalf of the City of Newark and its employees from beginning to finish in the context of civil rights, employment discrimination, automobile accident, slip and fall, breach of construction contract, and other suits initiated against the City of Newark. Have resolved over 50 cases over the course of four years, including approximately 15 cases through settlement, and approximately 23 cases through dispositive motions. Regularly taking depositions and drafting legal briefs, discovery requests and responses, pleadings, and State and Federal appellate submissions. Regularly appearing for oral argument before State and Federal Court trial judges. Drafted amicus curiae brief in notice-of-claim appeal before Supreme Court of New Jersey, *Jones v. Morey's Pier, Inc.*, 230 N.J. 142 (2017), argued before Third Circuit of Federal Court of Appeals, and petitioned the Supreme Court of U.S. for certiorari.

Subject Matter Expertise

Possess strong knowledge of and experience with a variety of municipal litigation subjects, including the N.J. Tort Claims Act, N.J. and Federal Civil Rights Acts, New Jersey Law Against Discrimination, Americans with Disability Act, Rehabilitation Act, Automobile Insurance Cost Reduction Act, and Municipal Mechanics Lien Law.

Administration of Cases

Managing caseloads as high as 42 cases. Managing outside counsel in opioid litigation against pharmaceuticals and other suppliers contributing to opioid epidemic.

McCARTER & ENGLISH, LLP, Newark, NJ

Associate, November 2009 to June 2015

Courtroom Appearances and Complex Commercial Litigation

In the context of complex litigation, responsible for taking depositions, drafting legal memoranda, legal briefs, discovery requests and responses, pleadings, petitions, documents in furtherance of executions and levies, and administrative applications. First-chaired six domestic violence trials. Engaged in additional appearances, including oral argument, for court and administrative conferences, hearings, and trials in complex commercial matters, and second-chaired arbitration matter before the American Arbitration Association.

Subject Matter Expertise

Possess strong knowledge of and experience with a variety of commercial litigation subjects, including the NJ Franchise Practices Act, NJ Consumer Fraud Act, Uniform Commercial Code, Investment Advisers Act, securities law, insurance benefits issues, bankruptcy issues, contract issues, tort issues, distributorship laws, economic loss doctrine, choice-of-law issues, federal preemption, licensing, fraud, eminent domain, environmental law, municipal and utility regulations, employment law, and administrative procedure.

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Counseling and Administration of Cases

Directly engaged with senior business clients on legal issues and responsible for developing and articulating cost-effective trial resolution courses of action for matters in federal and state court. Communicated with opposing counsel and clients and managed multiple cases. Provided efficient and timely summaries and updates to in-house counsel concerning ongoing cases.

Pro Bono/Community Service Experience

Volunteered in a variety of pro bono matters, including expungements, domestic violence actions applying for FROs, parole revocation matters, immigration applications for Temporary Protected Status, an Asylum application, Landlord-Tenant matters, and an application for name change.

SUPREME COURT OF NEW JERSEY, Somerville, NJ

Law Clerk to Justice Helen E. Hoens, September 2008 to August 2009

Conducted legal research on topics including NJ Consumer Fraud Act, entitlement to insurance benefits, collateral estoppel, exclusivity of home warranty claims, modification of child custody orders, subrogation, legal and medical malpractice, and constitutional right to equal protection. Drafted certification memoranda recommending denial and grant of petitions for certification. Drafted bench memoranda for submission to Supreme Court, analyzing case law on matters such as admissibility of photographic identification evidence in criminal case and interpretation of personal injury protection statutes. Aided in revising Opinions. Conferred with Justice concerning cases pending Supreme Court review. Observed oral arguments.

PROFESSIONAL AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENTS AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

BAR ADMISSIONS

- Admitted to the Bar of New Jersey
- Admitted to the Bar of New York
- Admitted to U.S. District Court for the District of New Jersey
- Admitted to Southern District for the District of New York
- Admitted to Eastern District for the District of New York
- Admitted to Third Circuit for the United States Court of Appeals
- Admitted to the United States Supreme Court

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- Co-founder and former President of the Haitian American Lawyers Association of New Jersey
- Current Chairman for the Board of Directors of the Haitian American Lawyers Association of New Jersey
- Member of the Garden State Bar Association
- Member of the Caribbean Bar Association of New Jersey
- Member of the Essex County Bar Association of New Jersey
- Former Member of District XII Fee Arbitration Committee

ACCOLADES

Recognized as a Rising Star in the 2014 and 2015 Issue of *Super Lawyers Magazine*

COMMUNITY AFFILIATIONS

- Member of Board of Directors for the Urban League of Union County

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EDUCATION

CORNELL LAW SCHOOL, Ithaca, NY

Juris Doctor, May 2008

Honors: *Journal of Law and Public Policy*, Symposium and Events Editor

Activities: Moot Court Board (Vice Chancellor); Black Law Student Association (Historian); Latin American Law Student Association; Langfan Moot Court Competition; Winter Moot Court Competition.

LEHIGH UNIVERSITY, Bethlehem, PA

Bachelor of Arts in Political Science with Honors, May 2005

Minor: Economics, Psychology, and French

Honors: Dean's List, Phi Beta Kappa

SETON HALL PREPARATORY SCHOOL, West Orange, NJ

Diploma, 2001

MISCELLANEOUS

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- Panelist at Conference by Global Outsourcing Association of Lawyers, entitled "The Global Litigation Conference and Exhibition" in New York, October 1-2, 2014.
- As President, have spoken at several rallies on behalf of and at events of the Haitian American Lawyers Association of New Jersey
- As Chairman, have spoken at a Know Your Rights Seminar on behalf of the Haitian American Lawyers Association of New Jersey

PUBLICATIONS

- *Preserving Copayments and Deductibles to Contain Healthcare Costs*, Business Torts Journal, Volume 18, Number 2, Winter 2011 (02/04/2011)
- *New Fee-Shifting Regime Under ERISA in Wake of 'Hardt'*, New York Law Journal (07/22/2010)

FOREIGN LANGUAGE SKILLS

Proficient in written and spoken French. Fluent in spoken Haitian Creole.