



# The State Bar *of California*

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## **OPEN SESSION AGENDA ITEM 50-1 JANUARY 2020**

**DATE:** January 24, 2020

**TO:** Members, Board of Trustees

**FROM:** Steve Mazer, Chief of Administrative Division

**SUBJECT:** Approval of Specified Contracts Pursuant to Business and Professions Code Section 6008.6

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### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

This item requests approval to execute contracts for goods or services with a value in excess of \$50,000 (or, for I.T. goods and services, in excess of \$100,000).

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### **BACKGROUND**

Pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 6008.6, the State Bar shall award no contract for goods, services, or both, for an aggregate amount in excess of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000), or for information technology goods, services, or both, for, an aggregate amount in excess of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000), except pursuant to the standards established in Article 4 (commencing with Section 10335) of Chapter 2 of Part 2 of Division 2 of the Public Contract Code and approval of the Board of Trustees.

### **DISCUSSION**

The contracts listed below are in excess of \$50,000 (or, for I.T. goods and services, in excess of \$100,000), and have met the standards established by Article 4 of the Public Contract Code, as implemented through the State Bar's Procurement Policy. These contracts require approval by the Board of Trustees in order to be executed.

Ref #	Office	Cost Center	Fund	Vendor	Contract Amount	Goods or Services
1	Executive Director	10251	General Fund	Language Line	\$60,000	2020 written and verbal translation Services
2	Information Technology	23600	General Fund	Eduardo Frias	\$216,000	Interim IT Director
3	Research and Institutional Accountability	10014	General Fund	InfoPro Learning	\$103,089	E-learning training modules for State Bar Trustees
4	Information Technology	23600	General Fund	Dimension Data	\$140,392	Cisco Flex VoIP Licensing and Support
5	Research and Institutional Accountability	10012	General Fund	National Opinion Research Center	\$76,000	Access Through Innovation of Legal Services survey
6	Admissions	20004	Admissions Fund	Michael D. Shore, Ph.D.	\$63,000	Evaluation of testing accommodation petitions
7	Admissions	20004	Admissions Fund	Laura Richer, D.O.	\$115,000	Evaluation of testing accommodation petitions

## 1. Language Line

Language Line provides translation services. The contract amount is for 2020 costs.

## 2. Eduardo Frias

Mr. Frias is an experienced Information Technology executive with expertise in technology and business alignment, product management and engineering, agile methodologies, and organizational change management. He was engaged following the retirement of the State Bar's long-time I.T. Director, to serve as Interim Director. He has provided leadership on major I.T. initiatives, and is assisting the State Bar with improvements to I.T.'s organizational structure, project planning and management processes, and other operational processes and policies.

### **3. InfoPro Learning**

InfoPro provides E-learning training modules for State Bar Trustees.

### **4. Dimension Data**

Dimension Data offers Cisco Flex VoIP Licensing and Support.

### **5. National Opinion Research Center**

National Opinion Research Center conducts survey for the Access Through Innovation of Legal Services Task Force, to measure access to the internet, and attitudes regarding accessing legal services through new technologies and engaging legal services provided by nonlawyers.

### **6. Michael D. Shore, Ph.D.**

Vendor provides evaluation of testing accommodation petitions.

### **7. Laura Richer**

Vendor provides evaluation of testing accommodation petitions.

## **FISCAL/PERSONNEL IMPACT**

The expenses above are included in the 2020 budget for the cost centers noted, or will be included in the budget for future years, per the normal budget planning process.

## **AMENDMENTS TO RULES OF THE STATE BAR**

None

## **AMENDMENTS TO BOARD OF TRUSTEES POLICY MANUAL**

None

## **STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS & OBJECTIVES**

Goal: None - core business operations

## **RECOMMENDATIONS**

**Should the Board of Trustees concur in the proposed action, passage of the following resolution is recommended:**

**RESOLVED**, that the Board of Trustees approves execution of the contracts listed herein.

## **ATTACHMENT(S) LIST**

None