Introduced January 10, 2017, by Councilman Newcomb, seconded by Councilman Abney, (by request of Administration)

## **RESOLUTION R17-01**

A resolution authorizing the Mayor of the City of Slidell to execute a Legal Services Contract with Lawrence E. Abbott, Esq. and Cotton Schmidt & Abbott, Attorneys at Law, relating to Gary Blitch, David Knight, and Daniel Snyder v. the City of Slidell; Freddy Drennan in his official capacity; and Eugene Howard, in his official capacity, Civil Action No. 2:16cv17596, USDC, EDLA.

WHEREAS, Gary Blitch, David Knight, and Daniel Snyder filed a civil rights lawsuit against the City of Slidell; Freddy Drennan in his official capacity; and Eugene Howard, in his official capacity; and

WHEREAS, the City of Slidell desires to employ legal counsel having expertise in this matter.

NOW THERFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Slidell City Council that pursuant to Charter Section 4-02(D) the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute a Legal Services Contract with Lawrence E. Abbott, Esq. and Cotton Schmidt & Abbott, Attorneys at Law, to represent the City relating to Gary Blitch, David Knight, and Daniel Snyder v. the City of Slidell; Freddy Drennan in his official capacity; and Eugene Howard, in his official capacity, Civil Action No. 2:16cv17596, USDC, EDLA.

ADOPTED this 10th day of January, 2017.

Jay E. Newcomb

President of the Council Councilman, District F

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