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UNITED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT AGENDA ACTION ITEM

TOPIC _____ Discussion/Action to approve Legal Services Contract with the Law Firm of Wilson,

Freed, Trevino, Valls & Trevino, L.L.P

SUBMITTED BY: Kenneth Valls . _____ **OF:** Real Estate Attorney _____

APPROVED FOR TRANSMITTAL TO SCHOOL BOARD: _____ September 17, 2008 _____

RECOMMENDATION:

RATIONALE:

BUDGETARY INFORMATION:

BOARD POLICY REFERENCE AND COMPLIANCE:

LEGAL SERVICES CONTRACT

STATE OF TEXAS §

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

COUNTY OF WEBB §

THIS CONTRACT is entered into between the UNITED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL (hereinafter referred to as "DISTRICT"), acting through its Board of Trustees, and the law firm of WILSON, TREVINO, FREED, VALLS & TREVINO, LLP (hereinafter referred to as "LAW FIRM"), a registered limited liability partnership of which each attorney is duly licensed to practice law in the State of Texas.

I.

The DISTRICT retains the LAW FIRM to provide legal services and representation to the DISTRICT limited to and in connection with all general legal matters and real estate matters. The DISTRICT agrees to pay the LAW FIRM a fee of \$215 per hour for attorneys with 20 years or more experience; \$200 per hour for attorneys with 10 to 20 years experience; \$175 per hour for attorneys with 5 to 10 years experience; and \$150 per hour for attorneys with up to 5 years experience in consideration for such legal services. These fees are valid for one year and are subject to review and change at annual intervals.

II.

The LAW FIRM'S employment by the DISTRICT is strictly on an at-will basis and both parties may elect to terminate this contractual relationship at any time.

III.

The DISTRICT agrees to reimburse LAW FIRM for the following out-of-pocket expenses:

- a. Copying;
- b. Long distance phone calls;
- c. Postage and overnight mail;
- d. Travel expenses;
- e. Out-of-Pocket expenses paid on behalf of the School District, including, but not limited to, litigation expenses; and
- f. Other unusual expenses presently unforeseen.

WITNESS OUR HANDS at Laredo, Webb County, Texas, on this, the _____ day of _____ 2008.

UNITED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

By: _____
PRESIDENT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

SECRETARY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

WILSON, TREVINO, FREED, VALLS & TREVINO, LLP

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