

**NOTICE OF EMERGENCY PROCUREMENT BY THE  
OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH AND GENERAL COUNSEL**

In accordance with Utah Code Section 63G-6a-803(3), the Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel (OLRGC) provides notice of an emergency procurement for legal services.

On January 22, 2025, a complaint was filed by Utah Political Watch, Inc., and Bryan Schott against legislative defendants in the United States District Court, District of Utah. A motion for a temporary restraining order was filed at the same time. The complaint and motion require immediate attention to prepare and file a response. The timetable for responding does not allow sufficient time for OLRGC to engage in a standard procurement process to engage outside legal counsel to work under the direction of Legislative General Counsel to represent the interests of the Utah Legislature. An emergency procurement for legal services is necessary to protect the legal interests of the Utah Legislature.

A law firm was selected based on the firm's qualifications and expertise and based on OLRGC's determination that the firm provides the best value for OLRGC and the Utah Legislature.

The emergency procurement was approved by Victoria Ashby, Legislative General Counsel. A copy of the contract resulting from the emergency procurement is posted with this notice.