

RESOLUTION NO. 34 - 2018

I offer the following Resolution and move its adoption: Wendell R. D. Williams

A Resolution confirming the appointment of Ronald K. Rouse, Esquire to serve as the Deputy City Solicitor for the City of Harrisburg.

WHEREAS, Ronald K. Rouse was hired to the position of Deputy City Solicitor commencing his City employment on or about February 5, 2018; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Rouse has been duly licensed by the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Rouse has been practicing law in the public and private sectors, including approximately 10 years for the Office of City Solicitor for Philadelphia in that agency's child welfare unit, serving in various assigned professional roles of public trust and responsibility; and

WHEREAS, reposing trust and confidence in his abilities to perform such duties, the Mayor of the City of Harrisburg has appointed Mr. Rouse to serve as the Deputy City Solicitor for the City of Harrisburg; and

WHEREAS, the qualifications of Mr. Rouse to serve in such capacity have been reviewed and considered by Council and a copy of a resume that sets forth those qualifications is attached hereto and marked "Exhibit A."

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HARRISBURG that the appointment of Ronald K. Rouse, Esquire to serve as the Deputy City Solicitor for the City of Harrisburg is confirmed.

I second the Resolution: B. J. J. J.

Passed by City Council March 13, 2018

Wanda R. W. Williams
President of City Council

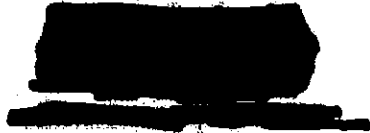
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City Clerk

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 Returned to City Council with objections

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Exhibit "A"

Ronald K. Rouse, Esq.



Education

Case Western Reserve University School of Law, Cleveland, Ohio
Juris Doctor (J.D.), Spring 1995
Licensed to practice law in Pennsylvania

Northwestern University, Evanston, Illinois
Bachelor of Arts (B.A.), Spring 1992
Double-Major: Sociology and Urban Studies

Recent Experience

Various Professional Services Agencies¹

Philadelphia, PA

09/11 – present *e-Discovery Contract Attorney*- Review and code electronic documents for relevance, attorney-client privilege, and confidentiality on a project-by-project basis. Past projects include federal anti-trust, regulatory compliance, securities, pharmaceutical litigation and intellectual property matters.

Ronald Rouse Consulting

Philadelphia, PA

10/15 – 11/2016 *Sole Proprietor/Consultant*- Provided subject matter expertise on child welfare matters as Legal Quality Improvement Consultant for the Community Umbrella Agency (CUA) division of Northeast Treatment Centers (NET). Functioned as e-Discovery Attorney/Subcontractor for New Jersey Legal.

Public Sector Experience

City of Philadelphia Office of the Inspector General

Philadelphia, PA

07/09 – 10/10 *Deputy Inspector General for Administrative Investigations*- Supervised and trained investigators, analysts, and student interns in conducting internal investigations of municipal fraud and misconduct. Conducted highly sensitive administrative investigations. Conducted ethics training for various city departments and boards. Supervised the administration of surveillance contracts.

10/08 – 06/09 *Chief Investigator*- Supervised internal investigations of municipal fraud and misconduct. Wrote Reports of Investigation. Testified at employee disciplinary hearings.

City of Philadelphia Law Department

Philadelphia, PA

03/07- 10/08 *Divisional Deputy City Solicitor*- Supervised 10 attorneys, 5 legal assistants, and approximately 2,500 court-involved children/cases. Authored original training manuals and developed a training program for all newly hired child welfare attorneys and legal assistants. Litigated complex and high profile child abuse cases.

¹ Professional services agencies include: Kelly Law Registry (09/11 -12/11); Hudson Legal (04/12- 07/13); Beacon Hill Legal Staffing Group (08/13 – 09/13); UnitedLex Professional Services (01/14 – 03/15); Beacon Hill Legal Staffing Group (03/15 – 08/15); and Compliance Discovery Solutions (08/15 – 09/15; 11/16 - present).

08/05 – 03/07 **Deputy City Solicitor**- Provided legal counsel and trial advocacy for DHS at various venues, including Family Court, Criminal Court, and the Pennsylvania Department of Human Services' Bureau of Hearings and Appeals. Advised senior DHS executive staff on legal and policy issues for special projects, including implementation of state and federal child welfare initiatives.

11/98 – 08/05 **Assistant City Solicitor**- Provided legal counsel and advocacy for the Philadelphia Department of Human Services (DHS), the Philadelphia County Office of Mental Health, and the Office of Emergency Shelter and Services. Drafted motions, petitions, memoranda of law, and appellate briefs. Trained attorneys, legal assistants, and social workers regarding child welfare laws.

City of Philadelphia Department of Human Services

Philadelphia, PA

03/98 – 11/98 **Social Work Trainee**– Investigated allegations of child abuse and neglect. Referred families to appropriate social services. Testified at Family Court hearings.

Teaching Experience

3/16 *Child Welfare Case Documentation Training* (Continuing Education Unit course planner and trainer).

7/10 *The Good, The Bad, The Ugly... and The Imperative: Ethics and the City Law Department Attorney* (Continuing Legal Education course planner and trainer).

10/07 *Legal Training for Court-Appointed Special Advocates* (CASA course trainer).

10/06 *Formal Kinship Care through the Philadelphia Department of Human Services* (Continuing Education Unit course trainer).

12/04 *Permanent Legal Custodianship* (Continuing Education Unit course trainer).

6/03 *Issues in Child Welfare: Subsidized Permanent Legal Custodianship (SPLC) and Aftercare Services* (Continuing Legal Education course planner and trainer).

7/02 *Alternative Dispute Resolution* (Continuing Legal Education course planner).

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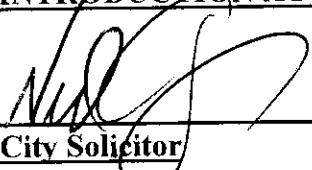
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Date:

LEGISLATIVE APPROVAL FORM/CERTIFICATE OF ACCEPTANCE

BILL NO. -2018 RESOLUTION NO. 34-2018

THE ABOVE LISTED ITEM WAS WRITTEN AND PREPARED FOR FINAL INTRODUCTION AT THE HARRISBURG CITY SOLICITOR'S OFFICE ON:



City Solicitor

Feb 26, 2018

Date

Requested by Department/Bureau: LAW DEPARTMENT

Department/Bureau Contact Person: NEIL A. GROVER

For Action on or before:

The attached was received in the Office of the City Clerk for introduction on

Feb 27, 2018

Received by: Chandra [Signature]

Date: 2/26/18