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To the Committee on
Judiciary and Legislation
of the Common Council
Room 205 –City Hall

Re: CCFN 190817 – resolution approving the selection of outside counsel
in regard to potential opioid litigation

Dear Committee Members:

The above-referenced resolution seeks approval of the law firm of Napoli Shkolnik, located principally in New York, NY, as outside counsel in regard to potential opioid litigation. This is related to Common Council File No. 190458.

After extensive interviews and discussion, the City Attorney finds this firm to have the experience, resources and expertise needed for this particular litigation. They have a commitment to diversity and inclusion as demonstrated by their roster of attorneys. They are currently representing more than 250 local governments in state and federal cases across the country.

This matter should be addressed in closed session, followed by action in open session.

Very truly yours,

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