

QUINTON TOWNSHIP PLANNING BOARD

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-09

**RESOLUTION APPOINTING
RICHARD P. COE, JR., ESQ. (WEIR GREENBLATT PIERCE LLP)
AS 2023 CONFLICT PLANNING BOARD SOLICITOR**

WHEREAS, the Quinton Township Planning Board ("Board") desires to hire a Conflict Planning Board Solicitor for the year 2023 to serve the Board in the Freedom First Farm & Preserve, LLC application 2022-05 and any other matter in which the Planning Board Solicitor William L. Horner, Esq. ("WLH") cannot serve the Board due to possible conflict(s) of interest, and

WHEREAS, Richard P. Coe, Jr., Esq. of the law firm of Weir Greenblatt Pierce LLP ("RPC") has submitted a signed contract for legal services dated January 10, 2023, confirming that RPC will provide legal services as Conflict Planning Board Solicitor to the Board, which contract has been reviewed and approved by WLH, and which contains the same terms of representation and rate of compensation as WLH's 2023 contract with the Board; and

WHEREAS, RPC shall be hired by means of a non-fair and open contract pursuant to the provisions of *N.J.S.A.* 19:44A-20.8; and

WHEREAS, RPC has completed and submitted a Business Entity Disclosure Certification and "Pay to Play" certification confirming that he and the law firm have not made, and will not make during the term of the contract, any contributions in excess of the Pay to Play Law's non-fair-and-open limitations to a political or candidate committee in Quinton Township, and RPC has also submitted required documentation to confirm compliance with affirmative action, ADA, equal employment opportunity, and business registration requirements, all of which have been reviewed and approved by WLH; and

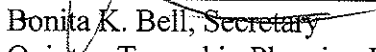
WHEREAS, pursuant to the Board's unanimous January 10th, 2023 vote approving RPC's appointment as Conflict Planning Board Solicitor, RPC has already begun work on the Freedom First Farm & Preserve, LLC application 2022-05 in order to be adequately prepared to serve the Board as Conflict Planning Board Solicitor for that application;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Quinton Township Planning Board that:

1. Pursuant to *N.J.S.A.* 40A:11-1 *et seq.*, Richard P. Coe, Jr., Esq., of the law firm of Wier Greenblatt Pierce LLP ("RPC") be and is hereby appointed as Conflict Planning Board Solicitor as described herein retroactive to January 1, 2023, which appointment and retroactive date shall be confirmed in the Board's contract with RPC.
2. RPC is prohibited from making any contribution to a local or Salem County political or candidate committee during the term of this appointment.
3. The Planning Board Chair and Secretary be and are hereby authorized to sign the RPC-signed contract for legal services immediately following adoption of this Resolution.
4. This Resolution shall be published as required by law in the appropriate local newspaper(s) and is to be retained on file in the Office of the Quinton Township Clerk.
5. The Business Entity Disclosure Certification is to be placed on file with this Resolution.

The undersigned Chairperson of the Quinton Township Planning Board hereby certifies that the above is a true copy of a resolution adopted by said Board on January 10th, 2023.

Attest:



Bonita K. Bell, Secretary
Quinton Township Planning Board

William L. Horner, Esq.
Solicitor



John Allen, Chairperson
Quinton Township Planning Board