

**RESOLUTION R-2015-114  
LUZERNE COUNTY COUNCIL**

***A Resolution of the Luzerne County Council Approving an Agreement with Thomson Reuters to Provide Legal Research Services for the Luzerne County Office of Public Defender.***

WHEREAS, legal research products are necessary and vital to the Luzerne County Office of Public Defender to adequately defend the office's clients; and

WHEREAS, Luzerne County Office of Public Defender desires to keep legal research costs low and predictable while providing the best possible criminal representation; and

WHEREAS, the Luzerne County Office of Public Defender desires to contract with Thomson Reuters for the WestLaw Next legal research products; and

WHEREAS, the Luzerne County Office of Public Defender has negotiated a three year contract; and

WHEREAS, the contract will exceed \$75,000 in aggregate over the three year term; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 2.09 B. 8. of the Luzerne County Home Rule Charter the Luzerne County Council has authority to approve by resolution adopted by an affirmative vote of at least a majority of its current members any or all contracts that would result in payment by the County of more than \$75,000 in the aggregate in any two or more future calendar years for which no budget has been adopted;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Luzerne County Council approves the agreement with Thomson Reuters for the provision of legal research products and services to the Luzerne County Office of Public Defender for a three year term at an initial monthly rate of \$2730.28.

This Resolution shall become effective 6 days after adoption.

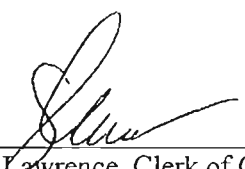
ADOPTED at a meeting of Luzerne County Council held on October 27, 2015.

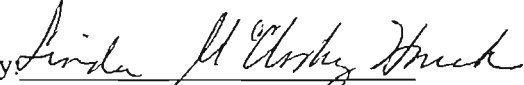
ROLL CALL VOTE: (9-0)

YES: Brominski, Dobash, Haas, McGinley, Sorokas, SA Urban, SJ Urban, Williams and Houck

LUZERNE COUNTY COUNCIL

ATTEST:

  
Sharon Lawrence, Clerk of Council

By   
Linda McClosky Houck, Chair

  
Robert C. Lawton, County Manager