
PROPOSAL FOR MONTICELLO CITY
CONTRACT

Alex Goble, J.D.
Utah State Bar #12523

STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS

1. Utah Bar licensed attorney in good standing with no prior disciplinary actions or complaints.
2. Over ten-year's experience in government representation.
3. Extensive experience as a prosecutor in the State of Utah, including both Utah State Law and local municipal code.
4. Experienced in representation of Utah Government Entities including:
 - a. San Juan County
 - b. The Utah Department of Human Services
 - c. The Utah Department of Insurance
 - d. Salt Lake City
 - e. The Utah State Tax Commission
5. Well versed in laws governing government entities including but not limited to:
 - a. Government Records and Management Act (GRAMA)
 - b. The Open Public Meeting Act (OPMA)
 - c. Land Use and Development Management Act (LUDMA)
 - d. Government contracts and interlocal agreements
 - e. Law enforcement use-of-force
 - f. Duties and responsibilities of elected officials and government employees
 - g. Administrative Procedures Act (APA)
 - h. Government taxation (including truth-in-taxation and TRT)
 - i. Specialized education in Natural Resource and Environmental Law.
6. Experienced in legislative drafting including state statutes and local ordinance and resolutions.
7. Experienced in reviewing and modifying contracts for government entities.
8. Experienced in Civil litigation defending government entities against claims of breach of contract, Due Process violations, and land-use disputes.
9. Experienced in litigation involving high dollar amounts, prior litigation experience in multiple matters involving millions of dollars.
10. Background in business management, finance, and statistics. Familiar and comfortable with government finance and accounting.

Monticello is my home, and I am invested in its ongoing success and prosperity. I am raising my family in this community, and I am aware of many struggles and successes our community faces. I would be pleased to work for the success of our small town for our citizens and for Monticello to be a place that our children are proud to call home and want to raise their families as well.



Alex Goble

2-2-2021

Date

Alex Goble

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Bar Membership

Utah State Bar, member in good standing, admitted in 2009

Education

University of Utah S.J. Quinney College of Law, Salt Lake City, Utah

Juris Doctor, May 2009.

- Graduate Certificate in Environmental and Natural Resources Law, May 2009
- Traynor Moot Court Competition, Most Outstanding Speaker Award, Spring 2008

Westminster College, Salt Lake City, Utah

Bachelor of Arts, International Business, *Magna Cum Laude*, December 2005

- Extensive coursework in finance, accounting, and management

Legal Experience

San Juan County Attorney's Office, Monticello, Utah

March 2019-Present

- General Prosecution in 7th District Court including all felony and misdemeanor level offenses. General Prosecution in the San Juan County Justice Court.
- Civil counsel for San Juan County. Providing legal research and civil counsel for the county, its elected officers in their official capacity, and other duties as assigned by the county attorney. Litigation experience in large-dollar contractual disputes and land use disputes.
- Prosecution of Juvenile offenses in San Juan County in the 7th District Juvenile Court.

Utah Attorney General's Office, Salt Lake City/Moab, Utah

June 2012-March 2019

- Child Protection Division assigned to San Juan and Grand Counties representing DCFS in child welfare, abuse, neglect, and dependency proceedings.
- Prosecutor with the Utah Insurance Fraud Division for all levels of felony insurance fraud; including: property and casualty fraud, healthcare benefits fraud, communications fraud, identity fraud, racketeering, and fiduciary fraud.
- Prosecutor assigned to multiple cases involving organized crime rings including fraudulent accident reporting, identity theft, and healthcare fraud.

Salt Lake City Prosecutor's Office, Salt Lake City, Utah

September 2010-June 2012

- All aspects of trial work including filing charges, arraignments, pretrial conferences, motion hearings, resolution, preliminary hearings, jury trials, and order to show cause hearings for Class A misdemeanors and lower.
- Domestic Violence, DUI, Assault, Battery, Theft, misdemeanor business license, criminal wildlife license violations and misdemeanor traffic violations.
- Personal case-load of over 1,500 cases a year with over a 90% success rate at trial.

Utah Attorney General's Office, Salt Lake City, Utah

January 2008-September 2010

- Primarily worked in prosecuting for White Collar Crime/Tax Fraud Litigation Divisions, including all aspects of trial work, witness preparation, plea negotiation, motion drafting and oral argument.
- Law Clerk for Board of Pardons and Parole Agency Counsel
- Handled debt collection hearings for Education Division

S.J. Quinney College of Law Small Business/Non-Profit Clinic, Salt Lake City, Utah

Rocky Mountain Innocence Center, August—December 2007

Languages/Other

- Fluent in reading, writing, and speaking Italian; basic level in Spanish
- Special Assistant United States Attorney (SAUSA) designation May 12, 2015.
- Workgroup on H.B. 175, 2012 General Session. Pawnshop and Secondhand Dealers
- Co-Author, *An Overview of Criminal Tax Fraud Cases and Consequences in the State of Utah*, Utah Bar Journal, Vol. 23 No. 3, May 2010
- Co-Author, *Institutional Disobedience vs. The Rule of Law*, ERC Journal Vol. III, August 2009.
- Co-Author, *An Overview of Tax Fraud Prosecutions and the Spillover Effects*, The Prosecutor, February 2010.
- Experienced in statistical analysis and programs.
- Experienced in the Indian Child Welfare Act, former NICWA membership.

PROFESSIONAL REFERENCES

Jason Torgerson- San Juan County Sheriff
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Kendall Laws- San Juan County Attorney
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Stephen Stocks- Local Attorney
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Happy Morgan- Local Attorney
435-259-9418
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Thomas Sitterud- Local Attorney
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PROPOSED CONTRACT TERMS

Contract for Legal Services

This is a contract for legal services between the City of Monticello ("the City") and Alex Goble, J.D. ("the Attorney"). This contract is for civil and criminal legal services for 12 months, beginning _____, 2021, and ending _____, 2022. In the event that either party wishes to terminate the contract before the 12 month period expires, a 60-day notice must be given in writing. The agreement will automatically renew for an additional 12 months unless either party gives 60-day notice of termination/renegotiation.

Hours, Rate, and Expenses

The City agrees to pay a monthly fee of \$1,000 in exchange for a 12-month total of 150 hours of legal services (12.5 hours per month). In the event the City uses more than 150 hours in the 12-month period the city will be billed at \$125 per hour for each hour in excess of 150 hours. Unused hours are not discounted or carried over into the next contractual cycle.

The Attorney will provide a monthly invoice of the hours billed each month and a brief explanation of the work provided for each hour used. Time will be tracked in six minute increments with any estimating in favor of the next lowest increment. Time spent will not be estimated in any increment larger than six minutes (a total of a ten-minute phone call is estimated at six minutes, a fifteen minute phone call would be estimated at twelve minutes).

Travel and other non-contractual expenses that may occur will be reimbursed using the same policy the City uses for employees. Additionally, if any specialized computer software or other equipment is required to carry out a service requested by the city, those costs will be negotiated with the City at that time. Further, if the City service requires the payment of a particular fee (such as a filing fee or a records request fee) the City will be invoiced for the fee.

Associations Membership, Training, and Conferences

The City agrees to pay an additional \$1000 annually to cover the costs of association memberships, trainings, conferences, or materials that the Attorney might join, attend, or make use of during that year that may be of benefit to better serving the City. The City will make this payment at the same time it makes the first payment annually for the Attorney's services. The use of this payment is at the discretion of the attorney, but any recommendation from the City will be considered.

Availability and Services

Availability: The Attorney will be available during regular business hours 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. If the City needs immediate assistance with an issue that requires less than 15 minutes, the issue will be attended as soon as the Attorney is finished with any matters pertaining to a current client. If the issue requires more than 15 minutes, it will be attended to as quickly as time is available on the calendar. Additionally, if an emergency arises during non-business hours, contact information to reach the Attorney will be provided.

Guaranteed Services:

The Attorney will advise and act as legal counsel for city officials engaged in their official duties and responsibilities. City officials include elected officials, police officers, and the City Manager. Any other city employee will either need to be accompanied by a city official, or receive approval from the City Manager prior to meeting with the Attorney on City business.

The Attorney will act as Civil Counsel for the City. In the event the City becomes involved in a civil matter the Attorney will represent the city in those matters, or at the City's request, help obtain more specialized legal services from an outside firm to represent the City.

The Attorney will assist the City in coordinating legal representation with the city insurance claims representatives.

The Attorney will act as prosecutor for all city criminal cases brought for violations of the Utah State Code and Local Ordinances. Cases will be screened in a timely manner and all cases that need to be passed to the County Attorney's Office in the District Court will be passed along. All cases that proceed in Justice Court will be reviewed prior to court and if necessary will be reviewed with the officers involved prior to any court proceedings. Additionally, all cases handled in Justice Court will be screened for possible enhancements.

The Attorney will act as legal counsel for all City sanctioned sub-organizations and committees. City sub-organizations and committees will receive legal counsel only if they are accompanied by a city official as previously defined, or if they have written approval of the city manager prior to meeting with the Attorney.

The Attorney will assist city officials in drafting legal correspondence, local ordinances, internal policies, or other similar responsibilities incumbent on city officials. The Attorney will attend municipal meetings at the request of the City, absent a competing obligation. If the Attorney attends a meeting not at the request of the City, the City is not billed for the time unless services are requested at the meeting.

Conflicts of Interest and Professional Responsibilities

In accordance with the Rules of Professional Conduct, if a matter arises in which there is a conflict in the Attorney's representation of the City, the Attorney will notify the City as soon as the Attorney becomes aware of the conflict. The Attorney will provide reasonable efforts to avoid conflicts of interest and to mitigate any conflict.

The Attorney will act in accordance with the Utah Rules of Professional Conduct in all matters in which the Attorney represents the City. Those rules are available for review at:

<https://www.utcourts.gov/resources/rules/ucja/>

Additional Duties

The Attorney may provide any additional services that the City requests that do not conflict with this agreement or with other clients represented by the Attorney.

Signed:

_____ for Monticello City _____ Date

_____ Alex Goble _____ Date