



## Legislation Text

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### **PROPOSED CONTRACT**

**Department(s):** Legal Department

**Vendor:** Abacus Data Systems, San Diego, California

**Request:** Authorization for the Forest Preserve District of Cook County to enter into and execute

**Good(s) or Service(s):** Legal database and case management system

**Contract Value:** \$26,721.00

**Contract period:** 4/11/2016- 4/10/2020

**Estimated Fiscal Impact:** FY 2016 \$6,762.60, FY 2017 \$4,989.60, FY 2018 \$4,989.60, FY 2019 \$4,989.60 and FY 2020 \$4,989.60.

**Accounts:** Contractual & Professional Services, 01-6210

**Contract Number(s):** N/A

**Concurrences:**

The Chief Financial Officer and Chief Attorney have approved this item.

**District(s):** N/A

**Summary:** Attorneys and paralegals in the Preserves' Legal Department utilize AbacusLaw for case management services. The database is used to track the status of requests and assignments in the Legal Department. It also creates customized workflows, data reports and case management to ensure legal services are handled efficiently and effectively. The rates charged to the Preserves represent a 40% discount from standard pricing. The Preserves' Legal Department has used Abacus for the past 3 years and received satisfactory service.