June 30, 2025

Via E-mail: jllewis@mdso.com

The Honorable Rosanna Cordero-Stutz, Sheriff
Miami Dade Sheriff's Office
c/o General Counsel Janet Lewis
General Counsel's Office
9105 NW 25 Street Suite #3042
Doral, FL 33172

Re: The Miami-Dade Sheriff's Office
Agreement/Engagement Letter
RLF Matter No.: 6067.01

Dear Sheriff Cordero-Stutz:

We thank you and The Miami-Dade Sheriff's Office ("Client(s)," "Sheriff" "The Sheriff's Office," "Miami-Dade Sheriff's Office" or "MDSO") for its engagement of The Reyes Law Firm, P.A. ("the Firm," "our," "we," or "us") for the matters described below. The purpose of this engagement letter ("Agreement," "Engagement," or "Contract") is to confirm the scope of the services for which MDSO will engage us and the terms and conditions of our services once this Agreement is fully executed and deemed to be in effect.

1. **Scope of Engagement (Civil Forfeitures Fees Contingency Basis).**

a. *If Costs/Expenses Are Paid by MDSO Whether or Not There is a Recovery.* Where the Sheriff's Office pays all costs and expenses regardless of whether or not a recovery is obtained, MDSO agrees to pay The Reyes Law Firm, P.A., **only if there is a recovery,** a ***reduced*** contingent fee computed, before outstanding costs and expenses are deducted, of any recovery of "monetary instruments" as that term is defined by Section 896.101(2), Fla. Stat. (2024) and/or funds, whether by settlement or final order/judgment, and/or a contingent fee of the fair market value as is customary for motor vehicles and appraised value for real or personal property, whether by settlement or final order/judgment as follows:

(1) Before the filing of an answer or the demand for appointment of arbitrators or, if no answer is filed or no demand for appointment of arbitrators is made, or if no person, entity, or attorney on behalf of any entity or person, has filed

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an appearance, served any papers, or communicated with the Firm challenging and/or contesting the seizure and/or the civil forfeiture and/or seeking settlement:

a. 30% of any recovery up to $1 million; plus
b. 25% of any portion of the recovery between $1 million and $2 million; plus
c. 20% of any portion of the recovery exceeding $2 million.

(2) After the filing of an answer or the demand for appointment of arbitrators or, a person, entity, or attorney on behalf of any entity or person, has filed an appearance, served any papers, or communicated with the Firm challenging and/or contesting the seizure and/or the forfeiture and/or seeking settlement through the entry of final order/judgment:

a. 35% of any recovery up to $1 million; plus
b. 25% of any portion of the recovery between $1 million and $2 million; plus
c. 20% of any portion of the recovery exceeding $2 million

(3) An additional 5% of any recovery after institution of any appellate proceeding is filed or post-judgment relief or action is required for recovery on the judgment.

(4) Thus, if the Client has elected the fee arrangement described in this Section (1.a. of this agreement), the fee is on a contingent basis because the Client shall be responsible for all costs and expenses incurred by the Firm before, during, and after the litigation of any civil forfeiture matter, regardless of whether there is a recovery, settlement or final order/judgment in the Client's favor and shall only be responsible to pay the Firm a fee only if there is a recovery.

A recovery is a final order/judgment and/or fully executed settlement agreement vesting and perfecting in the Sheriff's Office all rights to, interest in, and title to the seized property in accordance with the Florida Contraband Forfeiture Act. Therefore, the Firm will not be entitled to a fee if there is no recovery.

The Firm's services and its entitlement to a fee will commence upon a request in writing from the MDSO General Counsel's Office to initiate a civil forfeiture or undertake a non-civil forfeiture matter on an hourly fee basis.

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In the event any of the above services are performed in furtherance of any other purpose, other than the anticipated seizure and/or litigation of a civil forfeiture action, then the hourly rates outlined section **2. Scope of Engagement (Hourly Fee Rate Non-Civil Forfeiture Work)** will apply and govern.

All Costs and Expenses. Under all fee arrangements, costs and expenses may include, but are not limited to: investigative and litigation expenses; court costs; filing fees; court reporting services; copies of records; computer research services; mediation fees; expert witness fees; travel expenses (including business class airfare or its equivalent); and outside legal fees or costs related to estate, guardianship, bankruptcy, or probate proceedings. All costs and expenses greater than $500 must be approved by the MDSO General Counsel's Office before they are undertaken. The Client further agrees that The Reyes Law Firm, P.A. may deduct such costs and expenses from any amounts collected on the Client's behalf except those already paid by the Client.

2. Scope of Engagement (Hourly Fee Rate Non-Civil Forfeiture Work). [1]

If specially requested by MDSO, The Reyes Law Firm, P.A., will assist/represent the Client(s) in performing other services as requested by The Miami-Dade Sheriff's Office and/or their designees.

The Firm's services will be based on an hourly fee as outlined herein. This does not include any appeals or actions relating to the collection of a judgment, matters related to other pending or future actions, matters with other case numbers, matters in any other court (state or federal) or in any other division of any court or any matters not described above.

Our fees will be based on an hourly schedule at the billing rates for each attorney. The hourly rates for the attorneys working on this matter will be **$300.00** per hour for the Managing Partner(s), Partners and Of-Counsel Attorney(s), and **$275.00** per hour for the Associate(s). We also utilize paralegal and other non-lawyer personnel to perform appropriate tasks, and their time is billed at **$150.00** per hour.

The Client(s) acknowledges, agrees, and warrants that the Client(s) will pay statements/invoices in full promptly upon receipt and no later than forty-five (45) days of their receipt.

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[1] Definitions:

(A) Retainer. A retainer is a sum of money paid to a lawyer to guarantee the lawyer's future availability. A retainer is not payment for past legal services and is not payment for future services.
(B) Flat Fee. A flat fee is a sum of money paid to a lawyer for all legal services to be provided in the representation. A flat fee may be termed "non-refundable."
(C) Advance Fee. An advanced fee is a sum of money paid to the lawyer against which the lawyer will bill the client as legal services are provided.

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3. **Alternative Fee Rates for Hourly or Contingency Fee Agreements If Fees and Costs Are To Be Paid By Third Party (Not The Miami-Dade Sheriff's Office).**

You agree that if any person, entity and/or party other than the Sheriff's Office is required to pay any of the Firm's attorney's fees and costs that you owe or have paid, as the result of any recovery to you as prevailing party and/or as a result of a fee shifting or fee entitlement mechanism or determination, whether by statute, settlement and/or Court order governing same, the attorney's fees to be paid to the Firm by any other person, entity and/or party other than the Sheriff's Office will be the higher of:

1) the total of the entire compensation/attorney's fees based on the rates outlined in this agreement, or
2) the fees based on the following hourly rates: **$1,000.00** per hour for managing partners, **$800.00** per hour for partners and of counsel attorneys, **$700.00** per hour for the associates and **$495.00** per hour for paralegal and other non-lawyer personnel,
   or
3) such amounts as are determined by the Court.

You also understand and agree that the Court may award fees higher than the above 1) contingency fees or 2) hourly rates. You also understand and agree that the Court may also award a contingency fee multiplier.

You also agree that in the event that attorney's fees and costs are awarded to you by the Court, the awarded fees and costs will be applied to reduce the attorney's fee and costs you either owe or have already paid to the Firm. However, you also agree that the excess of the fees that are awarded by the Court in addition to what you either owe or have already paid to the Firm shall be deemed to have been earned by and will be paid to the Firm only and shall not be added to your recovery whether by judgment, court order or settlement.

You also agree that the Firm will be entitled to all reasonable attorneys' fees and costs in connection with any litigation (through all Courts and levels, including any appeals) initiated to obtain the attorney's fees and costs you either owe or have already paid to the Firm from any person, entity and/or party other than you on your behalf and will include attorney's fees and costs incurred for litigating both entitlement to those attorney's fees and costs and for litigating the amount and/or reasonableness of those attorney's fees and costs.

4. **Reasonableness of the Hourly Rates.**

The Client(s) stipulates that Client(s) has researched other attorneys in the South Florida area for services in this matter and that the hourly rates charged by the Firm are comparable and reasonable. The Client(s) agrees and stipulates that the hourly rates charged by the Firm, as set forth in this Agreement, are in fact reasonable due to the Firm's/Attorney's/Expert Witness's skill,

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knowledge, training, expertise, experience, and reputation as independently researched and verified by the Client(s).

5. **Billable Time**.

The time for which the Client(s) will be charged, in reference to the hourly rates discussed above, is based on tenth of an hour increments, and will include, but will not necessarily be limited to, telephone and office conferences with the Client(s), witnesses, other counsel, consultants, government personnel and others; conferences among our personnel; factual investigation; legal research; drafting and review of letters, memoranda, pleadings, briefs, and other documents; reviewing files in preparation for proceedings or meetings; responding to requests from the Client(s) to provide information to the Client(s) and to any other person or entity; travel time that would otherwise be available for productive work, but which cannot be so devoted because of the circumstances of travel; waiting time in court or in connection with legal or administrative proceedings; and time in propounding or responding to interrogatories, preparing for, and participating in, depositions, or other forms of discovery.

6. **Settlement Authority**

Pursuant to Section 932.703(1)(b), Fla. Stat. (2024), all settlements in civil forfeiture cases must be personally approved by the head of the law enforcement agency that seized the property. In this regard, the Firm will promptly contact the MDSO General Counsel's Office to convey any settlement offers and is not authorized to settle any matter unless pre-approved in writing by MDSO General Counsel's Office.

7. **Costs and Expenses**.

In addition to fees, our bills will include allocable charges for costs and expenses incurred in performing our services, such as photocopying, mail, messenger and delivery services, travel (including mileage, parking, air or rail fare, lodging, meals, taxi, or car rental), telephone, long distance phone calls, facsimile, or data transmission, postage, secretarial and support staff overtime (when necessitated by the Client(s)'s work), court costs, filing fees, polygraphers, investigator and expert fees and expenses, and mediator's fees.[2] Unless other arrangements are made, certain expenses (such as expert witnesses' fees and court reporters' charges) will be billed directly to you and will not be our responsibility. All costs and expenses greater than $500 must be approved by the MDSO General Counsel's Office before they are undertaken. You will receive a full accounting detailing these expenditures, if any, at the end of each month. However, the Firm will not charge the Sheriff's Office for costs and expenses incurred for computerized legal research, i.e. Westlaw, Lexis, etc.

[2] The foregoing list is not exhaustive or exclusive.

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8. **Estimates**.

Although we may, from time to time, respond to the Client(s)' request for an estimate of the fees and/or expenses that will be involved in the engagement or a portion thereof, these estimates are inherently inexact and are subject to unforeseen contingencies and changed circumstances, and we cannot be bound by such estimates except to the extent expressly set forth in writing.

9. **Establishing the Firm's Engagement.**

a. Establishing Engagement. The Client(s) understands and agrees that the Firm will not take any action on the Client(s)'s behalf until engagement is established. Engagement, under these new terms, is not established until and unless this Agreement is signed and initialed by the Client(s) and returned to the Firm.

b. *Counterparts.* This Agreement may be made effective by means of scanned original signatures sent via electronic mail and/or facsimile signatures on identical counterpart documents, each of which shall be deemed an original and all of which shall constitute one and the same instrument. However, counterpart signatures must be attached to and accompanied by complete copies of this Agreement. Transmission of only the signature page shall not be sufficient to constitute execution.

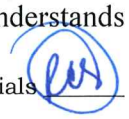
c. *Copy Will Have Same Force and Effect as Original.* The Client(s) and the Firm agree and stipulate that a complete and executed copy, scan or facsimile of this Agreement will have the same force and effect as the original.

d. *Initials.* The Firm requests that the Client(s) read and initial each page in the space indicated on the bottom right-hand corner to indicate that they have reviewed the terms and conditions set forth on each page. Failure of Client(s) to initial a page will not render this Agreement void or voidable.

e. *The Firm's File Number.* The Firm's file number is used primarily for internal case and document management, timekeeping, and invoicing. All potential client inquiries are assigned a file number by the Firm. The existence of a Firm File Number, by itself, does not establish or prove the existence of any contractual and/or attorney-client relationship.

10. **No Guarantee of Results.**

At times we may be called upon to express opinions of law or anticipate outcomes. Such opinions are limited by our knowledge of the facts at the time the opinion is rendered, the present state of the law, and, at times, factors that are unknown or beyond our control. Although we will use our best professional judgement in providing our opinions, litigation is frequently unpredictable, and even in those few instances when we are sure of the result, professional and ethical rules prohibit us from guaranteeing the outcome of any matter. The Client(s) understands

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that dissatisfaction with the outcome of his case is NOT a defense to payment of the fees, rates and expenses agreed to in this Agreement.

11. **Contacting the Client(s).**

a. Point of contact and initiation of matters. The client's exclusive point of contact for establishing new matters and prior to incurring any costs or fees will be the MDSO General Counsel's Office. All new matters must be authorized in writing by the General Counsel's Office prior to the Firm commencing any work on such matter(s). If the Firm receives a request to initiate a new matter from an MDSO employee or representative outside of the General Counsel's Office, the Firm will direct said employee to contact the General Counsel's Office. After a matter has been authorized by the General Counsel's Office, the Firm may communicate with the appropriate MDSO personnel in furtherance of the Firm's services.

b. *Emails and Cellular Phone Authorization.* The Firm can communicate with the Client(s) via electronic means such as mail over the internet ("e-mail"), text messages, and other messaging services. In addition, many of our attorneys utilize cellular telephones. With such electronic means of communication, current technology cannot eliminate the risk that confidences and/or secrets otherwise protected by the attorney-client or other privileges may be viewed by unauthorized third parties (and the privilege thereby potentially lost).

1) Unless you specifically provide direction to the contrary, your acceptance of our engagement letter will indicate your review of this policy statement on the use of e-mail, other electronic messaging means, and cellular telephones, and will specifically authorize the Firm to use such means to send information electronically to communicate with you and with third parties. By engaging the Firm, you agree to assume the risk of inadvertent disclosure and the risk of loss of privilege and/or confidentiality as to such information. This authorization shall remain in effect until revoked in writing.

c. *Client(s)'s Duty to Maintain Updated Contact Information with the Firm.* The Client(s) agrees to provide a current e-mail address, phone number and physical address to the Firm. In the event that the Client(s) changes his e-mail address or physical address, the Client(s) agrees to immediately notify the Firm of the updated contact information within five (5) business days of the change. The Client(s) agrees to hold harmless and indemnify the Firm for any damages or adverse consequences the Client(s) may incur for failure to timely advise the Firm of any updated or changed contact information. The Firm reserves the right to withdraw and/or terminate this engagement if it loses contact with the Client(s) for at least 30 days despite at least one (1) reasonable attempt by the Firm during that period to contact the Client(s) by either e-mail, correspondence, or phone.

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d. *Notices.* All required notices to the Client(s) may be sent or forwarded from the Firm via e-mail to the Client(s) at the e-mail address provided by the Client(s), as listed above. This will constitute legal and sufficient notice to the Client(s).

12. **Billing Procedures.**

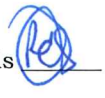
a. *Monthly Invoices.* We render bills monthly. Our statements generally will be prepared and mailed to you during the month following the month in which services are rendered. *The Client(s) acknowledges, agrees, and warrants that the Client(s) will pay statements/invoices in full promptly upon receipt and no later than forty-five (45) days of their receipt and invoices not paid within forty-five (45) days of receipt will be considered past due and interest will begin to accrue as noted below.* We reserve the right to immediately defer providing services or discontinue our engagement if billed amounts are not paid when due.

b. *Disputing Invoices.* It is the Client(s)'s responsibility to timely review invoices when they are received and timely request clarification or dispute any charges by the Firm in a timely manner. If disputing the amount of the invoice, the Client(s) must identify the specific line-item charges and entries that are disputed and clearly specify the reason for the dispute. After 45 days of Client's receipt of an invoice, if the Client has not disputed the fees documented in the invoice in writing, it is deemed undisputed and earned by The Firm and the Client(s) expressly waives any and all rights to dispute the charges. To dispute an invoice, the Client must state, in its written submission, which line item(s) is undisputed, which line item(s) is disputed, and the reason the line item(s) is disputed.

c. *Payment of Undisputed Amount.* The Client(s) agrees and warrants that Client(s) will timely pay the undisputed fee amounts of each invoice. If the Firm has an Advance Fee in its Trust Account and the earned fee documented in the invoice has been deemed undisputed, the portion of the Advance Fee equal to the earned fee documented in the undisputed invoice is deemed earned by The Firm. Accordingly, The Firm may then disburse those funds representing the earned undisputed fee from the Trust Account to the Firm's Operating Account. Accordingly, the Client(s) expressly authorizes the Firm to disburse any and all amounts in the Firm's Trust Account of the Advance Fee forty-five (45) days after the receipt of the invoice which represent any and all undisputed amounts.

d. *Disputed Amounts.* The Client(s) agrees to deposit all disputed amounts in the Firm's Trust Account until the dispute is resolved. The Firm represents and warrants that any disputed amounts deposited into the Firm's Trust Account will not be applied to the invoice and will remain in the Trust Account until resolution of dispute is agreed to by the Client(s) and the Firm or by Court Order.

e. *Billing Procedures Material Breach.* Failure by the Client to comply with the terms of the Billing Procedures provisions will be deemed a breach of a material term of this Agreement.

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13. **Interest.**

a. In the event that any judgment or order is entered against the Client(s) awarding the Firm our fees and costs, the Firm will be entitled to both pre-judgment interest and post-judgment interest. .

14. **Terminating This Engagement.**

a. The Client(s) has the right at any time to terminate our services upon written notice to the Firm. Such termination shall not, however, relieve the Client(s) of the obligation to pay for all services already rendered, including work in progress, and remaining incomplete at the time of termination, and to pay for all expenses incurred on behalf of the Client(s) through the date of termination.

b. We reserve the right to withdraw if, among other things, the Client(s) fails to honor the terms of the Agreement, the Client(s) fails to cooperate or any facts or circumstances arise that in our opinion would render our continued relationship unlawful or unethical. If we elect to withdraw, the Client(s) agrees to take all steps necessary to release us of any obligation to perform further, including the execution of any documents necessary to perfect our withdrawal, and we will be entitled to be paid for all services rendered and costs or expenses incurred on behalf of the Client(s).

c. *Our Fees Liens.* In the event this engagement is discontinued, the total amount owed by you shall be paid in full as of the date of such event and prior to the release of any documents, property, or monies held by us. Consistent with Florida law, we reserve the right to impose a retaining lien over all documents and/or property in our possession belonging to you as security for payment of fees and costs owed. We also reserve the right to impose a charging lien, against any recovery obtained on your behalf and any of the Client(s)'s property that is the subject matter of the lawsuit, for the payment of our fees and costs. You authorize this Firm to deduct from any recovery, by either final order/judgment, settlement, or otherwise, the monies due us prior to disbursement to you.

1) *Personal Property*. If the Client(s)' personal property is part of the litigation subject matter, the Client(s)' understands and agrees that the Firm is entitled to a charging lien on the personal property in the event of nonpayment for all amounts due under this agreement. This includes, but is not limited to, any cash, motor vehicles, other vehicles, vessels, boats, and ships (including engines, equipment, tackle, and appurtenances), furniture, and collectibles, which form part of the litigation subject matter.

d. *Notice to the Firm of Settlement, Trial or Final Judgment*. In the event of the Firm's withdrawal, the Client(s) must notify the Firm in the event of a settlement and/or a trial date and send the Firm a copy of the final order/judgment within five (5) business days of the event. Any

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Final Order/Judgment will include a specific provision stating that the Court will reserve jurisdiction to enforce the Firm's charging lien.

15. **Nonpayment of Our Fees and Costs.**

a. If we must prepare and/or institute legal proceedings against you for non-payment of our fees, we will be entitled to all of our reasonable fees and costs, including, paralegals' and paraprofessionals' fees and costs, in connection with any and all pre-suit litigation and/or any or all litigation (through all levels, including any appeals) initiated to collect said fees and enforce the terms of this Representation Agreement. This will include the above fees and costs incurred for litigating both entitlement to the above fees and costs and litigating the amount or reasonableness of the above fees and costs all levels. This will include, in addition to the above fees and costs, any and all collections proceedings, as well as all post-judgment actions taken by the Firm to secure payment, including execution, procuring writs of garnishment, proceedings supplementary, and any and all other actions so authorized by Florida law.

16. **Governing Law and Venue.**

Florida Law governs all aspects of this Agreement and its terms and conditions (excluding Florida's Conflict of Law Rules) and you consent and agree to exclusive jurisdiction and venue in the State of Florida Circuit Court or County Court located in the Eleventh Judicial Circuit Court of Florida in and for Miami-Dade County, Florida.

17. **Indemnification.**

a. If any claim or action is brought against us or any personnel of the Firm and such claim arises from the Client(s)'s negligence or misconduct, the Client(s) will hold us harmless and indemnify us or hold us harmless, up to amount set forth as a cap for the waiver of sovereign immunity set forth in section 768.28, F.S. as may be amended from time to time.

b. If the Client(s) brings any action against the Firm arising out of this engagement which is either: 1) dismissed as frivolous or for the Client(s)'s misconduct; or 2) in which the case is disposed of in favor of the Firm, the Firm will be entitled to all direct and consequential damages, reimbursement of any and all co-payments to its malpractice insurance carrier, and payment of all attorney's fees and costs for defending the action. This will include attorney's fees and costs at all levels of the action, including pre-suit litigation and appeals. This will also include attorney's fees and costs incurred for litigating both entitlement to fees and the amount of attorney's fees.

18. **Severability.**

If any provision of this Agreement is construed or interpreted by a court of competent jurisdiction to be void, invalid, or unenforceable, such decision shall affect only those provisions so construed or interpreted and shall not affect the remaining provisions of this Agreement.

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19. **Authorization to Sign.**

The signatory(ies) represents and warrant that he/she/they have the full power and authority to enter into this Agreement on behalf of the Client(s) for whom they are signing and to bind the Client(s) to perform its obligations hereunder and each transaction contemplated hereby. The execution and delivery this Agreement by the signatory(ies) and their performance of their obligations hereunder and thereunder has been duly authorized by all necessary company/corporate/partnership actions, where applicable.

20. **Entire and Voluntary Agreement.**

The Client(s) enters into this Agreement freely, voluntarily, and of its own free will and accord without any threat of force or duress of any nature whatsoever. This Agreement shall (a) constitute the entire agreement between the Client(s) and the Firm with respect to the matters covered hereby; and (b) supersedes all oral negotiations and prior and other writings and statements with respect to their subject matter. It is intended by the Client(s) and the Firm to be the complete and exclusive statement of the terms agreed to by them. There are no unwritten, oral agreements between the Client(s) and the Firm. There can be no oral amendments to this Agreement, and any amendment to this Agreement must be in a writing signed by both the Client(s) and the Firm. The parties acknowledge and agree that neither party has made any representations except as may be expressly stated in this Agreement.

THE CLIENT(S) ACKNOWLEDGES THAT HE/SHE/IT:

1. WAS NOTIFIED OF CLIENT(S)'S RIGHT TO CONSULT WITH AN INDEPENDENT AND UNINTERESTED ATTORNEY REGARDING THIS AGREEMENT,

2. WAS GIVEN AN OPPORTUNITY TO CONSULT WITH AN INDEPENDENT ATTORNEY PRIOR TO SIGNING THIS AGREEMENT,

AND EITHER:

3. CONSULTED WITH AN INDEPENDENT ATTORNEY PRIOR TO SIGNING THIS AGREEMENT, OR

4. INDEPENDENTLY AND VOLUNTARILY DECIDED NOT TO CONSULT AN INDEPENDENT ATTORNEY PRIOR TO SIGNING THIS AGREEMENT.

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21. **Time is of the Essence.**

Time is of the essence. Specifically, but not exclusively, Client(s)'s failure to strictly comply with any of the payment or replenishment deadlines set forth in this Agreement will be deemed a material breach of this Agreement and render this Agreement voidable at the sole and exclusive discretion and option of the Firm. Unless otherwise stated all time periods and deadline set forth herein will run through the final day of the prescribed period at 5:00 pm Eastern Standard Time (US). The Firm's agreement to a reasonable extension of any deadline prescribed herein will not be deemed a waiver, novation, or amendment of the terms of this Agreement.

22. **No Waiver.**

There will be no waiver of any of the Firm's rights under this Agreement or under law unless the waiver is expressly stated, agreed to, and acknowledged in a written document that is signed by Israel U. Reyes, Esq., President/Managing Partner of the Firm, or his designee and by the Miami-Dade County Sheriff or his/her designee.

23. **Headings**.

Headings appear solely for convenience of reference. Such headings are not part of this Agreement and shall not be used to construe it.

24. **Florida Public Records Law.**

The Firm acknowledges and agrees that because the Miami-Dade Sheriff's Office is a public entity, the Firm must comply with any applicable requirements of Florida Statutes Chapter 119 (including any applicable exemptions, retention, and disclosure requirements). More specifically, records subject to the provisions of Public Record Law, Florida Statutes Chapter 119, shall be kept and maintained in accordance with such Statute and by signing below we acknowledge that records and books, not subject to exemption under Chapter 119, may be disclosed and/or produced to third parties by the Sheriff's Office in accordance with requests submitted under Chapter 119 or court orders without penalty or reprisal to the Sheriff's Office for such disclosure and/or production. We also agree to assert, in good faith, any relevant exemptions provided for under Chapter 119 for records in our possession on behalf of the Sheriff's Office. Furthermore, we agree to comply with the provisions outlined in Section 119.0701 of the Florida Statutes, the requirements of which are incorporated herein.

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We are pleased to have this opportunity to continue be of service to you and the residents of the Miami-Dade County.

Very truly yours,

/s/ *Israel Reyes*

ISRAEL REYES, ESQ.
Managing Partner
ireyes@reyeslawfirmpa.com

If the foregoing correctly reflects your understanding of the terms and conditions of our new engagement, please indicate your acceptance by executing this Agreement in the space provided below and return it to our office. Please keep a copy for your files.

AGREED TO AND ACCEPTED BY:
THE MIAMI-DADE SHERIFF'S OFFICE, FLORIDA

BY: _____ 7/3/25
SIGNATURE **DATE**

Rosanna Cordero-Stutz Sheriff
PRINT NAME **TITLE**

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