CONTRACT FOR SERVICES OF INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR

A Contract Between the State of Nevada
Acting By and Through Its

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WHEREAS, NRS 333.700 authorizes elective officers, heads of departments, boards, commissions or institutions to engage, subject to the approval of the Board of Examiners, services of persons as independent contractors; and

WHEREAS, it is deemed that the service of Contractor is both necessary and in the best interests of the State of Nevada;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the aforesaid premises, the parties mutually agree as follows:

1. REQUIRED APPROVAL. This Contract shall not become effective until and unless approved by the Nevada State Board of Examiners.

2. DEFINITIONS. “State” means the State of Nevada and any state agency identified herein, its officers, employees and immune contractors as defined in NRS 41.0307. “Independent Contractor” means a person or entity that performs services and/or provides goods for the State under the terms and conditions set forth in this Contract. “Fiscal Year” is defined as the period beginning July 1 and ending June 30 of the following year. “Current State Employee” means a person who is an employee of an agency of the State. “Former State Employee” means a person who was an employee of any agency of the State at any time within the preceding 24 months.

3. CONTRACT TERM. This Contract shall be effective from April 1, 2014 to September 30, 2014, subject to approval by the State of Nevada Board of Examiners, unless sooner terminated by either party as specified in paragraph ten (10).

4. NOTICE. Unless otherwise specified, termination shall not be effective until 30 calendar days after a party has served written notice of termination for default, or notice of termination without cause upon the other party. All notices or other communications required or permitted to be given under this Contract shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been duly given if delivered personally in hand, by telephonic facsimile with simultaneous regular mail, or mailed certified mail, return receipt requested, postage prepaid on the date posted, and addressed to the other party at the address specified above.

5. INCORPORATED DOCUMENTS. The parties agree that this Contract, inclusive of the following attachments, specifically describes the scope of work. This Contract incorporates the following attachments in descending order of constructive precedence:

ATTACHMENT AA: SCOPE OF WORK, CONFLICTS and FEE SCHEDULE

A Contractor's Attachment shall not contradict or supersede any State specifications, terms or conditions without written evidence of mutual assent to such change appearing in this Contract.
6. **CONSIDERATION.** The parties agree that Contractor will provide the services specified in paragraph five (5) with the total Contract not to exceed **$15,000 and pursuant to the fee schedule in Attachment AA.** The State does not agree to reimburse Contractor for expenses unless otherwise specified in the incorporated attachments. Any intervening end to a biennial appropriation period shall be deemed an automatic renewal (not changing the overall Contract term) or a termination as the results of legislative appropriation may require.

7. **ASSENT.** The parties agree that the terms and conditions listed on incorporated attachments of this Contract are also specifically a part of this Contract and are limited only by their respective order of precedence and any limitations specified.

8. **BILLING SUBMISSION: TIMELINESS.** The parties agree that timeliness of billing is of the essence to the contract and recognize that the State is on a fiscal year. All billings for dates of service prior to July 1 must be submitted to the State no later than the first Friday in August of the same calendar year. A billing submitted after the first Friday in August, which forces the State to process the billing as a stale claim pursuant to NRS 353.097, will subject the Contractor to an administrative fee not to exceed one hundred dollars ($100.00). The parties hereby agree this is a reasonable estimate of the additional costs to the State of processing the billing as a stale claim and that this amount will be deducted from the stale claim payment due to the Contractor.

9. **INSPECTION & AUDIT.**
   a. **Books and Records.** Contractor agrees to keep and maintain under generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) full, true and complete records, contracts, books, and documents as are necessary to fully disclose to the State or United States Government, or their authorized representatives, upon audits or reviews, sufficient information to determine compliance with all state and federal regulations and statutes.
   b. **Inspection & Audit.** Contractor agrees that the relevant books, records (written, electronic, computer related or otherwise), including, without limitation, relevant accounting procedures and practices of Contractor or its subcontractors, financial statements and supporting documentation, and documentation related to the work product shall be subject, at any reasonable time, to inspection, examination, review, audit, and copying at any office or location of Contractor where such records may be found, with or without notice by the State Auditor, the relevant state agency or its contracted examiners, the Department of Administration, Budget Division, the Nevada State Attorney General's Office or its Fraud Control Units, or the State Legislative Auditor. All subcontracts shall reflect requirements of this paragraph. An audit under this section shall not encompass books, records, documents or materials related only to Contractor's work for other clients, or other materials that are not related to the work performed under this contract.
   c. **Period of Retention.** All books, records, reports, and statements relevant to this Contract must be retained a minimum three (3) years. The retention period runs from the date of payment for the relevant goods or services by the State, or from the date of termination of the Contract, whichever is later. Retention time shall be extended when an audit is scheduled or in progress for a period reasonably necessary to complete an audit and/or to complete any administrative and judicial litigation which may ensue.

10. **CONTRACT TERMINATION.**
    a. **Termination Without Cause.** Any discretionary or vested right of renewal notwithstanding, this Contract may be terminated upon written notice by mutual consent of both parties, or unilaterally by either party without cause.
    b. **State Termination for Non-appropriation.** The continuation of this Contract beyond the current biennium is subject to and contingent upon sufficient funds being appropriated, budgeted, and otherwise made available by the State Legislature and/or federal sources. The State may terminate this Contract, and Contractor waives any and all claim(s) for damages, effective immediately upon receipt of written notice (or any date specified therein) if for any reason the Contracting Agency’s funding from State and/or federal sources is not appropriated or is withdrawn, limited, or impaired.
    c. **Cause Termination for Default or Breach.** A default or breach may be declared with or without termination. This Contract may be terminated by either party upon written notice of default or breach to the other party as follows:
       i. If Contractor fails to provide or satisfactorily perform any of the conditions, work, deliverables, goods, or services called for by this Contract within the time requirements specified in this Contract or within any granted extension of those time requirements; or
       ii. If any state, county, city or federal license, authorization, availability, waiver, permit, qualification or certification required by statute, ordinance, law, or regulation to be held by Contractor to provide the goods or services required by this Contract is for any reason denied, revoked, debarred, excluded, terminated, suspended, lapsed, or not renewed; or
       iii. If Contractor becomes insolvent, subject to receivership, or becomes voluntarily or involuntarily subject to the jurisdiction of the bankruptcy court; or
       iv. If the State materially breaches any material duty under this Contract and any such breach impairs Contractor's ability to perform; or
       v. If it is found by the State that any quid pro quo or gratuities in the form of money, services, entertainment, gifts, or otherwise were offered or given by Contractor, or any agent or representative of Contractor, to any officer or employee of
the State of Nevada with a view toward securing a contract or securing favorable treatment with respect to awarding, extending, amending, or making any determination with respect to the performing of such contract; or
vi. If it is found by the State that Contractor has failed to disclose any material conflict of interest relative to the performance of this Contract.

d. Time to Correct. Termination upon a declared default or breach may be exercised only after service of formal written notice as specified in paragraph four (4), and the subsequent failure of the defaulting party within fifteen (15) calendar days of receipt of that notice to provide evidence, satisfactory to the aggrieved party, showing that the declared default or breach has been corrected.

e. Winding Up Affairs Upon Termination. In the event of termination of this Contract for any reason, the parties agree that the provisions of this paragraph survive termination:
i. The parties shall account for and properly present to each other all claims for fees and expenses and pay those which are undisputed and otherwise not subject to set off under this Contract. Neither party may withhold performance of winding up provisions solely based on nonpayment of fees or expenses accrued up to the time of termination;
ii. Contractor shall satisfactorily complete work in progress at the agreed rate (or a pro rata basis if necessary) if so requested by the Contracting Agency;
iii. Contractor shall execute any documents and take any actions necessary to effectuate an assignment of this Contract if so requested by the Contracting Agency;
iv. Contractor shall preserve, protect and promptly deliver into State possession all proprietary information in accordance with paragraph twenty-one (21).

11. REMEDIES. Except as otherwise provided for by law or this Contract, the rights and remedies of the parties shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or equity, including, without limitation, actual damages, and to a prevailing party reasonable attorneys’ fees and costs, except that the amount of attorneys’ fees shall not exceed $15,000.00. It is specifically agreed that reasonable attorneys' fees shall include, without limitation, one hundred and twenty-five dollars ($125.00) per hour for State-employed attorneys. The State may set off consideration against any unpaid obligation of Contractor to any State agency in accordance with NRS 353C.190. In the event that the Contractor voluntarily or involuntarily becomes subject to the jurisdiction of the Bankruptcy Court, the State may set off consideration against any unpaid obligation of Contractor to the State or its agencies, to the extent allowed by bankruptcy law, without regard to whether the procedures of NRS 353C.190 have been utilized.

12. LIMITED LIABILITY. The State will not waive and intends to assert available NRS chapter 41 liability limitations in all cases. Contract liability of both parties shall not be subject to punitive damages. Liquidated damages shall not apply unless otherwise specified in the incorporated attachments. Damages for any State breach shall never exceed the amount of funds appropriated for payment under this Contract, but not yet paid to Contractor, for the fiscal year budget in existence at the time of the breach. Damages for any Contractor breach shall not exceed one hundred and fifty percent (150%) of the contract maximum “not to exceed” value. Contractor’s tort liability shall not be limited.

13. FORCE MAJEURE. Neither party shall be deemed to be in violation of this Contract if it is prevented from performing any of its obligations hereunder due to strikes, failure of public transportation, civil or military authority, act of public enemy, accidents, fires, explosions, or acts of God, including without limitation, earthquakes, floods, winds, or storms. In such an event the intervening cause must not be through the fault of the party asserting such an excuse, and the excused party is obligated to promptly perform in accordance with the terms of the Contract after the intervening cause ceases.

14. INDEMNIFICATION. To the fullest extent permitted by law Contractor shall indemnify, hold harmless and defend, not excluding the State's right to participate, the State from and against all liability, claims, actions, damages, losses, and expenses, including, without limitation, reasonable attorneys’ fees and costs, arising out of any alleged negligent or willful acts or omissions of Contractor, its officers, employees and agents.

15. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR. Contractor is associated with the State only for the purposes and to the extent specified in this Contract, and in respect to performance of the contracted services pursuant to this Contract, Contractor is and shall be an independent contractor and, subject only to the terms of this Contract, shall have the sole right to supervise, manage, operate, control, and direct performance of the details incident to its duties under this Contract. Nothing contained in this Contract shall be deemed or construed to create a partnership or joint venture, to create relationships of an employer-employee or principal-agent, or to otherwise create any liability for the State whatsoever with respect to the indebtedness, liabilities, and obligations of Contractor or any other party. Contractor shall be solely responsible for, and the State shall have no obligation with respect to: (1) withholding of income taxes, FICA or any other taxes or fees; (2) industrial insurance coverage; (3) participation in any group insurance plans available to employees of the State; (4) participation or contributions by either Contractor or the State to the Public Employees Retirement System; (5) accumulation of vacation leave or sick leave; or (6) unemployment compensation coverage provided by the State. Contractor shall indemnify and hold State harmless from, and defend State against, any and all losses, damages, claims, costs, penalties, liabilities, and expenses arising or incurred because of, incident to, or otherwise with
respect to any such taxes or fees. Neither Contractor nor its employees, agents, nor representatives shall be considered employees, agents, or representatives of the State. The State and Contractor shall evaluate the nature of services and the term of the Contract negotiated in order to determine "independent contractor" status, and shall monitor the work relationship throughout the term of the Contract to ensure that the independent contractor relationship remains as such. To assist in determining the appropriate status (employee or independent contractor), Contractor represents as follows:

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16. INSURANCE SCHEDULE. Unless expressly waived in writing by the State, Contractor, as an independent contractor and not an employee of the State, must carry policies of insurance and pay all taxes and fees incident hereunto. Contractor will provide a certification sheet from a professional liability insurance carrier that provides for attorney liability insurance for errors and omissions in the amount of at least $1 million. Policies shall meet the terms and conditions as specified within this Contract. The State shall have no liability except as specifically provided in the Contract.

The Contractor shall not commence work before:
1) Contractor has provided the required evidence of insurance to the Contracting Agency of the State, and
2) The State has approved the insurance policies provided by the Contractor.

Prior approval of the insurance policies by the State shall be a condition precedent to any payment of consideration under this Contract and the State’s approval of any changes to insurance coverage during the course of performance shall constitute an ongoing condition subsequent this Contract. Any failure of the State to timely approve shall not constitute a waiver of the condition.

Insurance Coverage: The Contractor shall, at the Contractor’s sole expense, procure, maintain and keep in force for the duration of the Contract Worker’s Compensation insurance and all other insurance required by the State of Nevada, meeting or exceeding the minimum limits required by the State of Nevada. Unless specifically stated herein or otherwise agreed to by the State, the required insurance shall be in effect prior to the commencement of work by the Contractor and shall continue in force as appropriate until:
1. Final acceptance by the State of the completion of this Contract; or
2. Such time as the insurance is no longer required by the State under the terms of this Contract;

Whichever occurs later.

Any insurance or self-insurance available to the State shall be in excess of, and non-contributing with, any insurance required from Contractor. Contractor’s insurance policies shall apply on a primary basis. Until such time as the insurance is no longer required by the State, Contractor shall provide the State with renewal or replacement evidence of insurance no less than thirty (30) days before the expiration or replacement of the required insurance. If at any time during the period when insurance is required by the Contract, an insurer or surety shall fail to comply with the requirements of this Contract, as soon as Contractor has knowledge of any such failure, Contractor shall immediately notify the State and immediately replace such insurance or bond with an insurer meeting the requirements.

17. COMPLIANCE WITH LEGAL OBLIGATIONS. Contractor shall procure and maintain for the duration of this Contract any state, county, city or federal license, authorization, waiver, permit, qualification or certification required by statute, ordinance, law, or regulation to be held by Contractor to provide the goods or services required by this Contract. Contractor will be responsible to pay all taxes, assessments, fees, premiums, permits, and licenses required by law. Real property and personal
property taxes are the responsibility of Contractor in accordance with NRS 361.157 and NRS 361.159. Contractor agrees to be responsible for payment of any such government obligations not paid by its subcontractors during performance of this Contract. The State may set-off against consideration due any delinquent government obligation in accordance with NRS 353C.190.

18. WAIVER OF BREACH. Failure to declare a breach or the actual waiver of any particular breach of the Contract or its material or nonmaterial terms by either party shall not operate as a waiver by such party of any of its rights or remedies as to any other breach.

19. SEVERABILITY. If any provision contained in this Contract is held to be unenforceable by a court of law or equity, this Contract shall be construed as if such provision did not exist and the non-enforceability of such provision shall not be held to render any other provision or provisions of this Contract unenforceable.

20. ASSIGNMENT/DELEGATION. To the extent that any assignment of any right under this Contract changes the duty of either party, increases the burden or risk involved, impairs the chances of obtaining the performance of this Contract, attempts to operate as a novation, or includes a waiver or abrogation of any defense to payment by State, such offending portion of the assignment shall be void, and shall be a breach of this Contract. Contractor shall neither assign, transfer nor delegate any rights, obligations or duties under this Contract without the prior written consent of the State.

21. STATE OWNERSHIP OF PROPRIETARY INFORMATION. Any reports, histories, studies, tests, manuals, instructions, photographs, negatives, blue prints, plans, maps, data, system designs, computer code (which is intended to be consideration under the Contract), or any other documents or drawings, prepared or in the course of preparation by Contractor (or its subcontractors) in performance of its obligations under this Contract shall be the exclusive property of the State and all such materials shall be delivered into State possession by Contractor upon completion, termination, or cancellation of this Contract. Contractor shall not use, willingly allow, or cause to have such materials used for any purpose other than performance of Contractor's obligations under this Contract without the prior written consent of the State. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the State shall have no proprietary interest in any materials licensed for use by the State that are subject to patent, trademark or copyright protection.

22. PUBLIC RECORDS. Pursuant to NRS 239.010, information or documents received from Contractor may be open to public inspection and copying. The State has a legal obligation to disclose such information unless a particular record is made confidential by law or a common law balancing of interests. Contractor may label specific parts of an individual document as a "trade secret" or "confidential" in accordance with NRS 333.333. The failure to so label any document that is released by the State shall constitute a complete waiver of any and all claims for damages caused by any release of the records. In the event that a public records request is made that includes a document that the Contractor has designated as “trade secret” or “confidential,” and the State believes that such document could constitute a public record, the State shall promptly notify Contractor of the request for purposes of Contractor (at Contractor’s expense) seeking a court order against disclosure.

23. CONFIDENTIALITY. Contractor shall keep confidential all information, in whatever form, produced, prepared, observed or received by Contractor to the extent that such information is confidential by law or otherwise required by this Contract.

24. FEDERAL FUNDING. State acknowledges that Contractor is not acting as a federal contractor or subcontractor or as a federal grant recipient and no federal funds will be used to make any payments to Contractor for its services under this Contract.

25. LOBBYING. The parties agree, whether expressly prohibited by federal law, or otherwise, that no funding associated with this contract will be used for any purpose associated with or related to lobbying or influencing or attempting to lobby or influence for any purpose the following:
   a. Any federal, state, county or local agency, legislature, commission, counsel or board;
   b. Any federal, state, county or local legislator, commission member, counsel member, board member, or other elected official; or
   c. Any officer or employee of any federal, state, county or local agency; legislature, commission, counsel or board.

26. WARRANTIES. All services shall be performed in accordance with the standard of care of Contractor’s profession, and shall conform to all Rules of courts or bar associations applicable to such services.

27. PROPER AUTHORITY. The parties hereto represent and warrant that the person executing this Contract on behalf of each party has full power and authority to enter into this Contract. Contractor acknowledges that as required by statute or regulation this Contract is effective only after approval by the State Board of Examiners and only for the period of time specified in the Contract. Any services performed by Contractor before this Contract is effective or after it ceases to be effective are performed at the sole risk of Contractor.
28. **NOTIFICATION OF UTILIZATION OF CURRENT OR FORMER STATE EMPLOYEES.** Contractor has disclosed to the State all persons that the Contractor will utilize to perform services under this Contract who are Current State Employees or Former State Employees. Contractor will not utilize any of its employees who are Current State Employees or Former State Employees to perform services under this contract without first notifying the Contracting Agency of the identity of such persons and the services that each such person will perform, and receiving from the Contracting Agency approval for the use of such persons.

29. **ASSIGNMENT OF ANTITRUST CLAIMS.** Contractor irrevocably assigns to the State any claim for relief or cause of action which the Contractor now has or which may accrue to the Contractor in the future by reason of any violation of state of Nevada or federal antitrust laws in connection with any goods or services provided to the Contractor for the purpose of carrying out the Contractor's obligations under this Contract, including, at the State’s option, the right to control any such litigation on such claim for relief or cause of action. Contractor shall require any subcontractors hired to perform any of Contractor's obligations under this Contract to irrevocably assign to the State, as third party beneficiary, any right, title or interest that has accrued or which may accrue in the future by reason of any violation of state of Nevada or federal antitrust laws in connection with any goods or services provided to the subcontractor for the purpose of carrying out the subcontractor's obligations to the Contractor in pursuance of this Contract, including, at the State’s option, the right to control any such litigation on such claim or relief or cause of action.

30. **GOVERNING LAW; JURISDICTION.** This Contract and the rights and obligations of the parties hereto shall be governed by, and construed according to, the laws of the State of Nevada, without giving effect to any principle of conflict of laws that would require the application of the law of any other jurisdiction. The parties consent to the exclusive jurisdiction of the First Judicial District Court, Carson City, Nevada for enforcement of this Contract.

31. **ENTIRE CONTRACT AND MODIFICATION.** This Contract and its integrated attachment(s) constitute the entire agreement of the parties and as such are intended to be the complete and exclusive statement of the promises, representations, negotiations, discussions, and other agreements that may have been made in connection with the subject matter hereof. Unless an integrated attachment to this Contract specifically displays a mutual intent to amend a particular part of this Contract, general conflicts in language between any such attachment and this Contract shall be construed consistent with the terms of this Contract. Unless otherwise expressly authorized by the terms of this Contract, no modification or amendment to this Contract shall be binding upon the parties unless the same is in writing and signed by the respective parties hereto and approved by the Office of the Attorney General and the State Board of Examiners.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Contract to be signed and intend to be legally bound thereby.

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Independent Contractor's Signature __________________________ Date __________

Independent Contractor's Title __________________________

Signature __________________________ Date __________ Title __________________________

Signature - Board of Examiners __________________________

APPROVED BY BOARD OF EXAMINERS

On __________________________________________________________________________ (Date)

Approved as to form by:

Deputy Attorney General for Attorney General __________________________ Date __________
Conflicts. Contractor is not representing or entering into an attorney-client relationship with any of the State’s branches, agencies, departments, offices, or political subdivisions except for the Campus Improvement Authority Board. Contractor may represent other present or future clients on matters other than those for which it has been engaged on behalf of the State, whether or not on a basis adverse to the State or any of its branches, agencies, departments, offices or political subdivisions, including in litigation, legal or other proceedings or matters, so long as the matter is not substantially related to Contractor’s work for the State.

State agrees it will not assert Contractor’s engagement as a basis for disqualifying Contractor from representing any party in a Permitted Adverse Representation or assert any Permitted Adverse Representation as a basis for any claim of breach of duty. Permitted Adverse Representation shall not include matters or disputes arising against State with respect to the scope of work described herein. Without prior written consent, Contractor cannot and will not represent another client adverse to State if Contractor has obtained confidential information of a nonpublic nature from State as a result of its representation that, if known to the other client, could be used in the other matter by the other client to State’s material disadvantage. The waivers and agreements contained herein will continue in effect upon the termination of this contract.

Scope of Work. Advise State regarding use of intellectual property and other issues pertaining to State’s consideration and study of a large events center on the University of Nevada, Las Vegas campus.

Fee Schedule. Contractor will bill 70% of its standard rates. Brandon Roos will be Contractor’s principal attorney assigned to this matter; his standard rate is $515.00 per hour. State will be billed $360.50 per hour for Brandon Roos’ work. Contractor will notify State when it approaches $10,000.00 in aggregate legal fees so that State can advise Contractor whether to stop or continue its work.