

## RESOLUTION R-005-18

### A RESOLUTION OF THE SOLE COMMISSIONER OF WALKER COUNTY TO IDENTIFY AND APPOINT A COUNTY ATTORNEY RESPONSIBLE FOR WALKER COUNTY LEGAL MATTERS AND SERVICES

**WHEREAS**, the Constitution of the State of Georgia, approved by the voters of the State in November of 1982, and effective July 1, 1983, provides in Article IX, Section II, Paragraph I thereof that the governing authority of the County may adopt clearly reasonable ordinances, resolutions and regulations; and

**WHEREAS**, the Sole Commissioner of Walker County is the county governing authority of Walker County, Georgia; and

**WHEREAS**, the Sole Commissioner of Walker County utilized the professional services of former County Attorney Robin Rogers, Esq., until February 28, 2018; and

**WHEREAS**, the Sole Commissioner of Walker County has subsequently appointed J. Matthew Williamson, Esq., to serve as County Attorney on March 1, 2018; and

**WHEREAS**, the Sole Commissioner of Walker County wishes to identify and appoint the legal representatives responsible for Walker County legal matters in a manner that recognizes the need to ensure that the County's legal matters are handled competently and to ensure that the costs of legal representation are managed appropriately;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Sole Commissioner of Walker County, Georgia as follows:

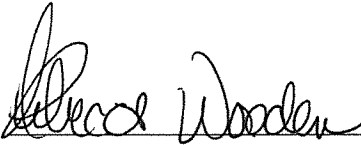
1. Any matters that originate prior to the appointment of J. Matthew Williamson, Esq., to serve as County Attorney shall be handled as follows:
  - a. Former County Attorney Robin Rogers, Esq., is assigned to represent Walker County in matters that originated during his tenure as County Attorney except in such matters as the Sole Commissioner may determine.
  - b. The Sole Commissioner or his designee shall communicate with former County Attorney Robin Rogers, Esq., regarding any legal matters in which representation should be transferred to J. Matthew Williamson, Esq.

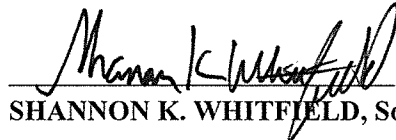
- c. Notwithstanding section 1.a. herein, Robin Rogers, Esq., may transfer representation of the County to J. Matthew Williamson, Esq., in any pending case or other legal matter which in the opinion of Robin Rogers, Esq., the County's best interests may be served.
  - d. Upon any transfer of legal representation, Robin Rogers, Esq., shall make any court filing necessary in any pending litigation to effect the transfer, and shall inform any parties to litigation or parties concerned in any ongoing legal matter of the transfer of representation.
2. Any other legal matters originating from that time period not specifically assigned at a public meeting shall be handled exclusively by J. Matthew Williamson, Esq., who in his capacity as County Attorney may be served at 101 South Duke Street, LaFayette, Georgia 30728.
  3. To the extent any previous Resolution of the Sole Commissioner of Walker County conflicts with the directives contained herein, this Resolution shall govern and control.

**SO RESOLVED AND ADOPTED** this 8th day of March, 2018.

**ATTEST:**

**WALKER COUNTY, GEORGIA**

  
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**REBECCA WOODEN, County Clerk**

  
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**SHANNON K. WHITFIELD, Sole Commissioner**