MOTION

September 21, 2004

Motion made, seconded and carried that James A. Martinez be confirmed as Assistant City Attorney, effective October 11, 2004 at a salary of $165,000.00 per annum, plus any additional benefits of the position.

APPROVED this _____day of September 2004.

CITY OF EL PASO

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Joe Wardy
Mayor

ATTEST:

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Richarda Duffy Momsen
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Lisa A. Elizondo
City Attorney

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JAMES A. MARTINEZ

EXPERIENCE

City Manager (Interim), City of El Paso, Texas
September 2004-Present

- Manage a workforce of 6,300 and a combined annual budget of $550 million.

Chief Administrative Officer (Interim), City of El Paso, Texas
July 2003-August 2004

Mounce, Green, Myers, Safi & Galatzan, P.C., P.O. Box 1977;
El Paso, Texas 79950-1977, Trial Section, 1995-2003, Shareholder.

Board Certified - Personal Injury Trial Law, Texas Board of Legal Specialization.

- Extensive experience representing public sector organizations in Texas, including **four elected bodies in all three branches of government**. Have advised them on a broad range of issues, including:
  - County of El Paso: procedures to auction and convey real property. Published case: *Catalina Development, Inc. v. County of El Paso*, 121 S.W.3d 704 (2003); trial counsel. Confirmed sovereign immunity from lawsuits for political subdivisions of state. Case was decided by Texas Supreme Court.
  - El Paso Independent School District: Regularly represented the State's fifth largest school district in labor cases involving professional employees.
  - Ysleta Independent School District: Represented the State's eighth largest school district in labor cases involving professional employees.
  - Regional MHMR Authority (Life Management Center): Represented this governmental entity in extensive litigation regarding patient care.

- 30 trials, including 17 first-chair and three wrongful death cases. 27defense verdicts.
- Defense practice involving a broad range of personal injury, labor, construction and insurance litigation. Verdicts include cases involving:

wrongful death repetitive trauma

medical malpractice	extracontractual (bad faith)
trucking accidents	UM/UIM
employee termination	slip & fall
contract	auto accidents

- Extensive experience in death, catastrophic injury, and multiparty litigation.
- Insurance coverage issues, insurance coverage litigation, product liability litigation and defense of public entities were a substantial part of practice.
- Regularly defended cases with seven-figure exposure.
- Recruiting Committee Chair. Coordinated firm's recruiting efforts, including on-campus interviews and student receptions, since 1997.

BRIEFING ATTORNEY, EIGHTH COURT OF APPEALS, El Paso, Texas, to Chief Justice Richard Barajas, 1994-1995.

EDUCATION

THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS SCHOOL OF LAW
Doctor of Jurisprudence, 1994

Preceptor, Constitutional Law
Instructed section of Professor Philip Bobbitt's first-year class.
Moot Court Champion, Thad T. Hutcheson Moot Court Individual Competition.
Interscholastic Moot Court Semifinalist
Robert F. Wagner, Sr., Moot Court Competition. National team competition at New York University Law School
National Hispanic Scholarship Fund Scholar, 1989-1991, 1994
Dean's Scholar: full tuition and fees.

THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT EL PASO
Bachelor of Business Administration - Marketing, 1991

Degree conferred with Highest Honors (GPA: 3.93).
Graduated in three years.

EASTWOOD HIGH SCHOOL, El Paso, Texas, 1988

Duke University's National Talent Search for the Mathematically and Verbally Gifted, 1983 participant.

LICENSURE

Admitted to Texas Bar in 1994. Licensed to practice in all Courts of the State of Texas and the United States District Court for the Western District of Texas.

PUBLICATIONS

Proving and Contesting Damages in Texas, National Business Institute, (December 15, 1995), Co-Author, Carl H. Green, Steven C. James

PERSONAL DATA