



November 16, 2021

Stanard & Associates, Inc.
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***In re: Notice of New Sheriff's Office Administration and Contract Non-Renewal/Termination with Williamson County, Texas
(Your Invoice #SA000048719)***

To Whom It May Concern:

Please be aware that a new sheriff was elected in Williamson County, Texas and the new administration began on January 1, 2021. The prior administration had a contract with your company for Physical Fitness Testing.

The new sheriff has not renewed this agreement and does not intend to do so. Pursuant to Paragraph XI, the agreement may be terminated for convenience at any time and states as follows:

This agreement may be terminated at any time at the option of either party, without future or prospective liability for performance upon giving thirty (30) days written notice thereof. In the event of termination, The County will only be liable for its pro rata share of services rendered and goods actually received.

Please note that Texas law mandates proper approvals where tax funds are involved. It should also be noted that vendor agreements may be revisited as a matter of public policy by future administrations regardless of what was agreed to in the past. In other words, public policy prohibits "long term" contracts without an out clause in that such agreements unconstitutionally "bind future administrations"—Op. Tex. Att'y Gen. JM-908 (1988) (stating in relevant part that "[i]n the exercise

of its governmental or legislative powers, a board or governing body ... cannot enter into a contract extending beyond its own term”).

Therefore, the purpose of this letter is to give you official notice that Williamson County will not renew this agreement, and this contract will expire effective at the end of business on December 15, 2021. Please update your records accordingly.

Thank you for your prompt attention and assistance in this regard.

Sincerely,

Hon. Bill Gravell
Williamson County Judge

cc: Williamson County Auditor's Office
Williamson County Sheriff's Office

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