



Auditor
Charles E. Walder
Chief Fiscal Officer

Return Voucher Form

Date: **02/10/2023**

To: Elected Official, Department head, or Accounting Staff of **Probate Court**

From: Auditor's Office Fiscal Department

SUBJECT: Batch # 2023-00000360

Schraff Thomas Law \$525.00

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Dept. Head Signature Missing on Cover | <input type="checkbox"/> Incorrect Vendor Numbers (s) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Incorrect Account Number | <input type="checkbox"/> Incorrect/No Encumbrance No. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Incorrect Remit Address | <input type="checkbox"/> Incorrect Voucher Amount |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Insufficient Cash Balance Available | <input type="checkbox"/> Incorrect G/L Date |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Batch not Approved in New World | <input type="checkbox"/> Expense Precede Encumbrance |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Insufficient Balance Available on PO | <input type="checkbox"/> Remit Copy Missing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Missing Original Invoice/Supporting Documents | <input type="checkbox"/> Due Date Deadline Missed |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Missing "OK to Pay" Initials/Signature | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other |

Solution: Please be advised that this letter is a formal request pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 319.16(A)(2) for "legible copies of any court-approved invoice, bill, receipt, check, or contract related to the order, redacted as required by law." As that statutory requirement provides, the above-referenced requested evidentiary matter is required along with a "proper court order" in order for the Geauga County Auditor's Office to process the at-issue requested payment out of the Geauga County Treasury. Also, no original signature on the voucher. No invoice provided. Services rendered during the calendar year 2022; however, the encumbrance G/L is 01/03/2023.

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See *State ex rel. Grendell v. Walder*,
Slip Opinion No. 2022-Ohio-204

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS
PROBATE DIVISION
GEAUGA COUNTY, OHIO

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IN COMMON PLEAS COURT

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PROBATE-JUVENILE
DIVISION
GEAUGA COUNTY, OHIO

IN RE:

PROBATE COURT
EXPENDITURES

SCHRAFF THOMAS LAW LLC

NOT
FOR
VETTING

) JUDGE TIMOTHY J. GRENDALL

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) PROPER ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

) 2023-51

Pursuant to R.C. 319.16(A)(2), this order hereby directs timely payment by the Geauga County Auditor in the amount of \$525.00 (Five Hundred Twenty Five Dollars and No Cents) from 1001-008-00-601 payable to SCHRAFF THOMAS LAW LLC, for attorney fees for 22PG131, which the Probate Court has determined to be an expenditure for a proper public purpose. **Kindly provide this Court with the original check which it will mail to the vendor.**

Pursuant to R.C. 319.16(D), "if the auditor questions the validity of [this] expenditure... the auditor shall notify the court that presented the documents, shall issue the warrant under protest, and shall notify the auditor of state of the protest."

As an elected official and member of the judicial branch of county government, the Judge of the Geauga County Probate/Juvenile Court is authorized to fix the amount due to court vendors who perform services for the court. Therefore, pursuant to R.C. 307.55(A), this payment is to be processed "Live".

IT IS SO ORDERED.


TIMOTHY J. GRENDALL, JUDGE

CC: Fiscal Director

PROBATE COURT OF GEauga COUNTY, OHIO
JUDGE TIMOTHY J. GRENDALL

2023 JAN -3 AM 9:11

Guardianship of _____
Case No. 22 PG 000131

PROBATE-JUVENILE
DIVISION
GEAUGA COUNTY, OHIO

APPLICATION FOR PAYMENT OF FEES FROM PUBLIC FUNDS

John P. Thomas Schraff Thomas Law, as: ☐ guardian ☒ attorney

☐ guardian ad litem ☐ other _____

in this matter applies for a court order for payment of fees, for services rendered during the calendar 2022.

The applicant is seeking a court order for payment of \$525.00, for such services rendered during the calendar year stated above.

Signature: [Signature]
Applicant Name: John P. Thomas Schraff Thomas Law, LLC
Street: 2802 SOM Center Rd. Suite 200
City, State, Zip: Willoughby Hills, OH 44094
Phone: (440) 569-1505 Atty. Reg. 0079630

☒ Judgment Entry ☐ Magistrate's Order

☒ The application is well taken and it is **ORDERED** that the Applicant be paid \$ 525 for the calendar year of 2022

☐ The application is denied

Date: 1-25-23

[Signature]
Judge Timothy J. Grendell/Magistrate Abbey L. King
Judge, sitting by assignment
22 JA 3035

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IN COMMON PLEAS COURT
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PROBATE-JUVENILE
DIVISION
GEAUGA COUNTY, OHIO
FILED IN THIS OFFICE EXCEPT FOR THE REDUCTION
OF SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBERS, ANY
ENTERED 87.8.1
AND SEAL OF SAID COURT THIS 27 DAY OF
JANUARY, 2023
Timothy J. Grendell
JUDGE & EX-OFFICIO CLERK
DEPUTY CLERK