



Auditor
Charles E. Walder
Chief Fiscal Officer

Return Voucher Form

Date: **09/17/24**

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

From: Auditor's Office Fiscal Department

SUBJECT: Batch # 2024-00002282

Schraff Thomas Law. LLC \$495.00

<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 the 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 included. Services rendered during the calendar year 2022; however, the encumbrance G/L is 01/03/2023.

Courthouse Annex, 231 Main Street, Suite 1A, Chardon, OH 44024-1293

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**AUDITORS CERTIFICATION OF FUNDS
O.R.C. 5705.41D**

Geauga County, Chardon, Ohio January 3, 2024
I HEREBY CERTIFY that the money required to meet the foregoing contract, agreement, or obligation in the sum of

\$45,000.00

has been lawfully approved, authorized or directed for such purpose and is in the Treasury or in the process of collection to the credit of the fund listed next to the item below free from any previous encumbrances

**CHARLES E. WALDER
GEAUGA COUNTY AUDITOR**

by _____ Deputy Auditor
GEAUGA COUNTY FEDERAL I.D. NO 34-6001208
SALES AND USED TAX EXEMPTION - POLITICAL SUBDIVISION
STATE OF OHIO

FOR AUDITORS USE ONLY	Date _____
Then and Now Certificate: _____	
Warrant Received by: _____	
Date _____	

SHIP TO:
GEAUGA COUNTY
PROBATE / JUVENILE COURT -JUDGE GREDELL
231 MAIN STREET SUITE 2
CHARDON, OH 44024

WARRANT NO.	VOUCHER DATE	VOUCHER AMOUNT
	9/16/2024	\$ 495.00 ✓
P.O. DATE	ADJUSTMENT	ACCOUNT NO.
01/03/2024		
1099 AMT.		

PURCHASE ORDER NO. 2024-00001415 ✓

GEAUGA CO. BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS: SESSION RESOLUTION JOURNAL PAGE BUDGET APPROVAL - ENCUMB _____ VOUCHER _____
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VENDOR I.D. NO. 9470

PURCHASED FROM:

Schraff Thomas Law, LLC

INVOICE TO:
GEAUGA COUNTY
PROBATE / JUVENILE COURT -JUDGE GREDELL
231 MAIN STREET SUITE 2
CHARDON, OH 44024

Kimberly [Signature]
DEPARTMENT HEAD SIGNATURE

QUANTITY	UNIT	FUND	DESCRIPTION	UNIT COST	TOTAL COST
1 0000	Each	1001	Contracted Services - Contract Services 1001-008-00-601 - Contract Services 45,000 00 24PG315	45,000 0000	\$45,000.00
TOTAL DUE					\$45,000.00

RECEIVED
SEP 12 2024
Geauga County Auditor

**Presented by Court as a
courtesy only,
NOT statutorily required**
See State ex rel. Grendell v. Walder,
Slip Opinion No. 2022-Ohio-204

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

FILED
IN COMMON PLEAS COURT
2024 SEP 12 AM 9:00
PROBATE-JUVENILE
DIVISION
GEAUGA COUNTY, OHIO

IN RE:

PROBATE COURT
EXPENDITURES
SCHRAFF THOMAS LAW LLC

) JUDGE TIMOTHY J. GRENDALL
)
)
) PROPER ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER
) 2024-194

NOT
FOR
VETTING

Pursuant to R.C. 319.16(A)(2), this order hereby directs timely payment by the Geauga County Auditor in the amount of \$495.00 (Four Hundred Ninety Five Dollars and No Cents) from 1001-008-00-601 payable to SCHRAFF THOMAS LAW LLC, for Attorney fees for 24PG315, 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

FILED
PROBATE COURT
2024 SEP 21 11:06
COURT CLERK

Guardianship of _____

Case No. 24 PG 0000315 ✓

APPLICATION FOR PAYMENT OF FEES FROM PUBLIC FUNDS

John P. Thomas, Schraff Thomas Law, LLC, 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 2024

The applicant is seeking a court order for payment of \$ 495.00, 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 \$ 495.00 for the calendar year of 2024.

The application is denied

Date: 9/14/24
[Signature]
Judge / Magistrate

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING IS A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF THE DOCUMENT ON FILE IN THIS OFFICE, EXCEPT FOR THE REDACTION OF SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBERS, IF ANY. ENTERED 9-21-24 WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL OF SAID COURT THIS 4 DAY OF September, 2024 Timothy J. Grendell
JUDGE & EX OFFICIO CLERK
[Signature] DEPUTY CLERK

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

FILED
IN COMMON PLEAS COURT

2024 JUL -1 PM 1:33

IN THE MATTER OF)
)
THE GUARDIANSHIP OF:)
)
) alleged incompetent)

CASE NO.: 24 PG 0000315
JUDGE TIMOTHY J GRENDALL
MAGISTRATES ORDER

This matter came on for hearing on June 28, 2024.

Present were Temporary Emergency Guardian, Next of Kin,
Alleged Incompetent, and Michael Wagner.

The Court extends Letters of Temporary Guardian by separate entry.

The Court appoints, John Thomas, as counsel to represent Mr.
may hire, at his own expense, an attorney to represent him. s entitled to a second
expert evaluation at the courts expense.

This matter is set for permanent guardianship hearing on Tuesday, July 30, 2024, at
10:30 a.m.

IT IS SO ORDERED.


MICHAEL HURST, MAGISTRATE

Pursuant to Civ. R. 53(D)(3)(b), any party may file a motion with the court to set aside a
Magistrate's Order, stating that party's objections with particularity, within ten (10) days
after the Magistrate's Order is filed.

cc:

may appear telephonically by calling 415-655-0001; Access code 98006611
Michael Wagner