



**Auditor**  
**Charles E. Walder**  
*Chief Fiscal Officer*

**Return Voucher Form**

Date: 01/23/2026

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

From: Auditor's Office Fiscal Department

SUBJECT: Batch #2026-00000189

Michael Wagner \$140.00

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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: No original signature on the voucher cover or invoice. 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. Wrong date on voucher.

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

Geauga County, Chardon, Ohio January 3, 2025  
I HEREBY CERTIFY that the money required to meet the foregoing  
contract, agreement, or obligation in the sum of  
\$50,000.00  
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 GRENDALL  
231 MAIN STREET SUITE 2  
CHARDON, OH 44024

| WARRANT NO. | VOUCHER DATE | VOUCHER AMOUNT |
|-------------|--------------|----------------|
|             | 1/26/2026 ✓  | \$ 140.00 ✓    |
| P.O. DATE   | ADJUSTMENT   | ACCOUNT NO.    |
| 01/03/2025  | dr           |                |
| 1099 AMT.   | cr           |                |

PURCHASE ORDER NO. 2025 -0001131 ✓

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| GEAUGA CO. BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:<br>SESSION _____<br>RESOLUTION _____<br>JOURNAL _____<br>PAGE _____<br>BUDGET APPROVAL - ENCUMB _____ VOUCHER _____ |
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VENDOR I.D. 14362

PURCHASED FROM:

Michael Wagner

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

  
DEPARTMENT HEAD SIGNATURE

| QUANTITY  | UNIT | FUND | DESCRIPTION                                                                                                                                                                                 | UNIT COST   | TOTAL COST  |
|-----------|------|------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| 1.0000    | Each | 1001 | Contracted Services - Contract Services<br>1001-008-00-601 - Contract Services 50,000.00<br><br>25PG402 - 2025<br><br><b>RECEIVED</b><br><b>JAN 22 2026</b><br><b>Geauga County Auditor</b> | 50,000.0000 | \$50,000.00 |
| TOTAL DUE |      |      |                                                                                                                                                                                             |             | \$50,000.00 |

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

2026 JAN 21 PM 3:01

FILED  
CLERK OF COURT  
GEAUGA COUNTY, OHIO

IN RE:

PROBATE COURT  
EXPENDITURES

MICHAEL A. WAGNER LLC

) JUDGE TIMOTHY J. GRENDALL  
)  
)  
) **PROPER ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER**  
) **2026-30**

Pursuant to R.C. 319.16(A)(2), this order hereby directs timely payment by the Geauga County Auditor in the amount of \$140.00 (One Hundred Forty Dollars and No Cents) from 1001-008-00-601 payable to MICHAEL A. WAGNER LLC, for guardianship fees for 25PG402, 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.

  
ROBERT W. BERGER, JUDGE  
Sitting by Assignment #25JA5007

CC: Fiscal Director

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

In Re: \_\_\_\_\_  
Case No. 25 PG 402

☐ Estate  
☒ Guardianship  
☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

PROBATE-JUVENILE  
DIVISION  
GEAUGA COUNTY, OHIO

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FILED  
IN COMMON PLEAS COURT

APPLICATION FOR PAYMENT OF FEES FROM PUBLIC FUNDS

Michael A. Wagner for Michael A. Wagner, 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 year of 2025.

The applicant is seeking a court order for payment of \$ 140.00, for such services rendered during the calendar year stated above.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant Name: Michael A. Wagner for Michael A. Wagner, LLC  
Street: 137 Main Street, Suite 6  
City, State, Zip: Chardon, Ohio 44024  
Phone: 440.286.4770 Atty. Reg. 0091261

☐ Judgment Entry ☒ Magistrate's Order

☒ The application is well taken and it is ORDERED that the Applicant be paid \$ 140.00 for the calendar year of 2025.

☐ The application is denied.

Date: 1/12/26

Robert W. Berger  
Sitting by Assignment #25JA5007  
Magistrate Abbey L. King  
Magistrate Michael L. Hurst

PROBATE-JUVENILE  
DIVISION  
GEAUGA COUNTY, OHIO

2026 JAN 12 PM 2:42

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IN COMMON PLEAS COURT

Robert W. Berger  
Sitting by Assignment #25JA5007

GC PF 15.16A – Application for Payment of Fees from Public Funds