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Sent via electronic mail to Gentner.Drummond@drumlaw.com

Re: Open Records Act request, our internal number 18 ORA 89.

Dear Mr. Drummond,

This letter is in response to your Open Records Act request for the following:

I am writing to request public information under the Oklahoma Open Records Act, 51 §§ 24A.1 *et seq.*, pertaining to the ongoing litigation against certain opioid manufacturers.

Specifically I am requesting all documents pertaining to:

- 1. Any request for proposals (RFP) sent to law firms seeking their services in this matter;
- 2. Which law firms were solicited for their expertise in litigating this matter;
- 3. How those law firms were chosen to receive the opportunity to submit an RFP for this matter;
- 4. The winning bid for the firm(s) that was ultimately chosen to represent the State on this matter;
- 5. Any information on the legal fees charged by the winning firm(s); and
- 6. Any information on the contingency fee(s) charged by the winning firm(s).

The Oklahoma Attorney General's Office has reviewed its records in accordance with your request. The first four (4) of your requests specifically seek documents related to "request for proposals (RFP)" for legal services related to litigation against "certain opioid manufacturers."



Under Oklahoma law, contracts for professional services, including the practice of law, "shall be exempt from competitive bidding procedures[.]" See 74 O.S.Supp.2013, § 85.7(3)(a) and 18 O.S.Supp.2012, § 803(6)(h). Instead, Oklahoma law provides that contracts for legal representation be obtained through the procedures set forth in 74 O.S.2011, § 20i. Accordingly, no documents exist in response to the first four (4) of your requests.

With regard to the last two (2) requests, the Office has determined that documents enclosed with this letter are the records that are responsive to your request.

So we may verify you received the records, please sign the attached receipt and return it to me. This response completes your Open Records Act request to the Oklahoma Attorney General's Office and closes your file.

Sincerely,

Abby Dillsaver

GENERAL COUNSEL TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

## Acknowledgment of Records

	knowledges receipt of records from the day of
2018.	
Print	Sign

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