## A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AGREEMENT FOR LEGAL SERVICES RELATED TO AFFF/PFAS LITIGATION SERVICES

WHEREAS, Lowndes County ("the County") is committed to delivering clean drinking water to its customers; and

WHEREAS, the County is also committed to identifying parties and taking reasonable steps to avoid passing on the costs to its consumers for the treatment and remediation of contamination; and

WHEREAS, the law firm of STAG LIUZZA, L.L.C. has put together a team of uniquely qualified and experienced attorneys including attorneys in the law firm of CAROTHERS & MITCHELL, LLC (collectively the "Firms") who have joined together to assist public entities facing the challenges posed by contamination with per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances ("PFAS"); and

WHEREAS, the Firms include experienced attorneys in both in PFAS litigation and in the representation of public entities and water suppliers in cases involving groundwater contamination; and

WHEREAS, the County has determined it to be in the County's best interest to enter into a contract with the Firms and pursue any claims it may have related to PFAS; and

WHEREAS, the County desires to authorize the execution of the attached Agreement for Legal Services AFFF PFAS Litigation (the "Agreement");

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of the County that the Chairman of the Board of Commissioners of the County is authorized to execute the Agreement for and on behalf of the County.

LOWNDES COUNTY
By:
Bill Slaughter, Chairman
Attest:
Belinda C. Lovern, Clerk