OFFICE OF CHIEF ADVOCACY AND COUNSEL Summary of the State Board of Education Agenda Items April 15, 2021

OFFICE OF FEDERAL PROGRAMS

08.F. <u>Action: Contract with ESSER Technical Assistance Specialist for ESSER</u>
Program for the Office of Federal Programs [Goal 5 – MBE Strategic Plan]

Awarded Vendor: Quentin Ransburg

Gluckstadt, Mississippi

<u>Scope of Project</u>: The purpose of this contract is provide assistance, training, application review, and oversight to ensure compliance with the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Uniform Grant Guidance, Education Department General Administrative Regulations (EDGAR) and Elementary and Secondary Schools Emergency Relief (ESSER) Fund grant specific requirements. The ESSER Technical Assistance Specialist will provide a professional and collaborative work relationship between the Office of Federal Programs and Grants Managements, LEAs/Subgrantees, and participating Non-Public Schools.

Personnel associated with this contract are former Department employees or related to any Department employee. The contractor is a PERS retiree.

Scope of Contract:

Term of Contract: April 16, 2021 – December 31, 2021

• Total Amount to be Awarded: \$56,0000

Method of Award: Request for Applications

Funding Source: Federal Funding

Summary of Selection Process:

A competitive selection process was utilized to award contracts.

<u>Scoring Criteria</u>: Applications must meet a cut score of 40 in Phase 1 to advance to Phase II of the evaluation process to be considered for an interview. Selection criteria will be performed using an overall cut score of 80 from Phase I and Phase II from the standard, 100-point scoring scale.

Phase I

Specialized Experience in Educational Grant Programs – 30 Points

General Experience – 20 Points

Phase II

Interview – 50 Points

This item references Goal 5 of the *Mississippi Board of Education 2018-2022 Strategic Plan.*

Recommendation: Approval

Back-up material: None