

HUU-AY-AHT TRIBUNAL NOTICE OF RESPONSE RESPONSE OF ADMINISTRATIVE DECISION MAKER



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Responses must be filed with the Tribunal within 14 days of service of the Notice of Application.

APPLICATION RESPONDED TO

This is a Response to Application # 2014-001

RESPONSE TO GROUNDS

Briefly set out your position on the Grounds for Appeal advanced in the application, including any relevant additional facts.

- 1. The expenditure at issue was in the amount of \$18,052.50 and was authorized by resolution of Executive Council on June 28, 2013 in accordance with the requirements of the *Financial Administration Act*.
- 2. The relevance of *Government Act*, s. 56 to the Application is unclear.

RESPONSE TO RELIEF SOUGHT Set out your position on the relief sought in the Application.

The Respondent objects to all relief sought on the following bases:

- 1. The time limit to appeal the decision to authorize entering into a contract with Anita Wolfe has expired and the Applicant has presented no information with respect to special circumstances to justify an extension (*Tribunal Act*, s.21).
- 2. To the extent that the appeal is in respect of the Respondent's alleged failure to adhere to the requirements of the *Purchasing Policy Regulation*, it is Executive Council, as the Respondent's employer, and not the tribunal who is responsible for investigating and considering what, if any, disciplinary action should be taken in relation to any alleged contravention (*Financial Administration Act*, s. 86(2); *Code of Conduct and Conflict of Interest Act*, s. 14, 23, 30).
- 3. To the extent that the appeal is in respect of the decision to expend funds and enter into a contract with Anita Wolfe, this was not a decision of the Respondent, but a lawfully made decision of Executive Council, which as a public officer, the Applicant has an obligation to uphold (*Code of Conduct and Conflict of Interest Act*, s. 4(1)(c)).

Executive Council's decision not to extend the Respondent's probationary period is not relevant to the relief sought.



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ADDRESS FOR DELIVERY This will be used to deliver any notices in relation to the Application. Note: the Tribunal's preferred means of communication is through email.				
CHECK ONE: ☐ Applicant's Email ☐ Applicant's Fax ☐ Applicant's Mailing Address ☐ Use Email or Fax or Address provided in space below:				
SIGNATURE This notice must be signed by the Respondent or Respondent's agent.				
FIRST AND LAST NAMES OF PERSON SIGNING				
January 22, 2014			7	
DATE		SIGNATURE		
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