ATTACHMENT 5
BID NO. 606260-22
CONTRACT FOR STORAGE AND RETRIEVAL, (PACKAGE 1) AND POSSIBLE RECORDS MOVE (PACKAGE 2)

Business Associate Agreement

This Agreement is made effective the date of the last signature below, by and between **Clark County, Nevada** (hereinafter referred to as "Covered Entity"), with its principal place of business at 500 S. Grand Central Parkway, Las Vegas, Nevada, 89155, and VRC Companies, LLC dba Vital Records Control, hereinafter referred to as "Business Associate", (individually, a "Party" and collectively, the "Parties").

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, Sections 261 through 264 of the federal Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, Public Law 104-191, known as "the Administrative Simplification provisions," direct the Department of Health and Human Services to develop standards to protect the security, confidentiality and integrity of health information; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Administrative Simplification provisions, the Secretary of Health and Human Services issued regulations modifying 45 CFR Parts 160 and 164 (the "HIPAA Rules"); and

WHEREAS, the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (Pub. L. 111-5), pursuant to Title XIII of Division A and Title IV of Division B, called the "Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health" ("HITECH") Act, as well as the Genetic Information Nondiscrimination Act of 2008 ("GINA," Pub. L. 110-233), provide for modifications to the HIPAA Rules; and

WHEREAS, the Secretary, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, published modifications to 45 CFR Parts 160 and 164 under HITECH and GINA, and other modifications on January 25, 2013, the "Final Rule," and

WHEREAS, the Parties wish to enter into or have entered into an arrangement whereby Business Associate will provide certain services to Covered Entity, and, pursuant to such arrangement, Business Associate may be considered a "Business Associate" of Covered Entity as defined in the HIPAA Rules (the agreement evidencing such arrangement is entitled "Underlying Agreement"); and

WHEREAS, Business Associate will have access to Protected Health Information (as defined below) in fulfilling its responsibilities under such arrangement;

THEREFORE, in consideration of the Parties' continuing obligations under the Underlying Agreement, compliance with the HIPAA Rules, and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, and intending to be legally bound, the Parties agree to the provisions of this Agreement in order to address the requirements of the HIPAA Rules and to protect the interests of both Parties.

I. DEFINITIONS

"HIPAA Rules" means the Privacy, Security, Breach Notification, and Enforcement Rules at 45 CFR Part 160 and Part 164.

"Protected Health Information" means individually identifiable health information created, received, maintained, or transmitted in any medium, including, without limitation, all information, data, documentation, and materials, including without limitation, demographic, medical and financial information, that relates to the past, present, or future physical or mental health or condition of an individual; the provision of health care to an individual; or the past, present, or future payment for the provision of health care to an individual; and that identifies the individual or with respect to which there is a reasonable basis to believe the information can be used to identify the individual. "Protected Health Information" includes without limitation "Electronic Protected Health Information" as defined below.

"Electronic Protected Health Information" means Protected Health Information which is transmitted by Electronic Media (as defined in the HIPAA Rules) or maintained in Electronic Media.

The following terms used in this Agreement shall have the same meaning as defined in the HIPAA Rules: Administrative Safeguards, Breach, Business Associate, Business Associate Agreement, Covered Entity, Individually Identifiable Health Information, Minimum Necessary, Physical Safeguards, Security Incident, and Technical Safeguards.

II. ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

Business Associate and Covered Entity acknowledge and agree that in the event of an inconsistency between the provisions of this Agreement and mandatory provisions of the HIPAA Rules, the HIPAA Rules shall control. Where provisions of this Agreement are different than those mandated in the HIPAA Rules, but are nonetheless permitted by the HIPAA Rules, the provisions of this Agreement shall control.

Business Associate acknowledges and agrees that all Protected Health Information that is disclosed or made available in any form (including paper, oral, audio recording or electronic media) by Covered Entity to Business Associate or is created or received by Business Associate on Covered Entity's behalf shall be subject to this Agreement.

Business Associate has read, acknowledges, and agrees that the Secretary, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, published modifications to 45 CFR Parts 160 and 164 under HITECH and GINA, and other modifications on January 25, 2013, the "Final Rule," and the Final Rule significantly impacted and expanded Business Associates' requirements to adhere to the HIPAA Rules.

III. USE AND DISCLOSURE OF PROTECTED HEALTH INFORMATION

(a) Business Associate agrees that all uses, and disclosures of Protected Health Information shall be subject to the limits set forth in 45 CFR 164.514 regarding Minimum Necessary requirements and limited data sets.

(b) Business Associate agrees to use or disclose Protected Health Information solely:

(i) For meeting its business obligations as set forth in any agreements between the Parties evidencing their business relationship; or

(ii) as required by applicable law, rule or regulation, or by accrediting or credentialing organization to whom Covered Entity is required to disclose such information or as otherwise permitted under this Agreement or the Underlying Agreement (if consistent with this Agreement and the HIPAA Rules).

(c) Where Business Associate is permitted to use Subcontractors that create, receive, maintain, or transmit Protected Health Information; Business Associate agrees to execute a "Business Associate Agreement" with Subcontractor as defined in the HIPAA Rules that includes the same covenants for using and disclosing, safeguarding, auditing, and otherwise administering Protected Health Information as outlined in Sections I through VII of this Agreement (45 CFR 164.314).

(d) Business Associate will acquire written authorization in the form of an update or amendment to this Agreement and Underlying Agreement prior to:

(i) Directly or indirectly receiving any remuneration for the sale or exchange of any Protected Health Information; or

(ii) Utilizing Protected Health Information for any activity that might be deemed "Marketing" under the HIPAA rules.

IV. SAFEGUARDING PROTECTED HEALTH INFORMATION

(a) Business Associate agrees:

(i) To implement appropriate safeguards and internal controls designed to prevent the use or disclosure of Protected Health Information other than as permitted in this Agreement, the Underlying Agreement or by the HIPAA Rules.

(ii) To implement "Administrative Safeguards," "Physical Safeguards," and "Technical Safeguards" as defined in the HIPAA Rules designed to protect and secure the confidentiality, integrity, and availability of Electronic Protected Health Information (45 CFR 164.308, 164.310, 164.312). Business Associate shall document policies and procedures for safeguarding Electronic Protected Health Information in accordance with 45 CFR 164.316,as applicable.

(iii) To notify Covered Entity of any attempted or successful unauthorized access, use, disclosure, modification, or destruction of information or interference with system operations in an information system ("Security Incident") upon discovery of the Security Incident; provided, however, that the Parties acknowledge and agree that this Section constitutes notice by Business Associate to Covered Entity of the ongoing existence and occurrence and attempted but Unsuccessful Security Incidents (as defined below) for which no additional notice to Covered Entity shall be required "Unsuccessful Security Incidents" shall include, but not limited to, pings and other broadcast attacks on Business Associate's firewall, port scans, unsuccessful log-on attempts, denials of service and any other combination of the above, so long as no such incident results in unauthorized access to, or use and disclosure of PHI.

(b) When a known and confirmed impermissible acquisition, access, use, or disclosure of Protected Health Information ("Breach") occurs, Business Associate agrees:

(i) To notify the Covered Entity HIPAA Program Management Office within 15 days of discovery of the Breach, and

(ii) Within 15 business days of the discovery of the Breach, provide Covered Entity with all required content of notification in accordance with 45 CFR 164.410 and 45 CFR 164.404, and

(iii) To reasonably cooperate with Covered Entity's analysis and final determination on whether to notify affected individuals, media, or Secretary of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services,

(iv) To pay all reasonable actual costs associated with the notification of affected individuals and reasonable actual costs associated with mitigating potential harmful effects to affected individuals.

V. RIGHT TO AUDIT

(a) Business Associate agrees:

(i) To provide Covered Entity with timely and appropriate access to records, electronic records, HIPAA assessment questionnaires provide by Covered Entity, personnel, or facilities sufficient for Covered Entity to gain reasonable assurance that Business Associate is in compliance with the HIPAA Rules and the provisions of this Agreement. This access may be provided by Business Associate electronically if possible. If an audit does occur, the Covered Entity will include a follow up audit in approximately six months to a year after the original review. The follow up audit would only include a review of items identified in the original audit.

(ii) That in accordance with the HIPAA Rules, the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services has the right to review, audit, or investigate Business Associate's records, electronic records, facilities, systems, and practices related to safeguarding, use, and disclosure of Protected Health Information to ensure Covered Entity's or Business Associate's compliance with the HIPAA Rules.

VI. COVERED ENTITY REQUESTS AND ACCOUNTING FOR DISCLOSURES

(a) At the Covered Entity's Request, Business Associate agrees:

(i) To comply with any requests for restrictions on certain disclosures of Protected Health Information pursuant to Section 164.522 of the HIPAA Rules to which Covered Entity has agreed and of which Business Associate is notified by Covered Entity.

(ii) To make available Protected Health Information to the extent and in the manner required by Section 164.524 of the HIPAA Rules. If Business Associate maintains Protected Health Information electronically, it agrees to make such Protected Health Information electronically available to the Covered Entity.

(iii) To make Protected Health Information available for amendment and incorporate any amendments to Protected Health Information in accordance with the requirements of Section 164.526 of the HIPAA Rules.

(iv) To account for disclosures of Protected Health Information and make an accounting of such disclosures available to Covered Entity as required by Section 164.528 of the HIPAA Rules. Business Associate shall provide any accounting required within 15 business days of request from Covered Entity.

VII. TERMINATION

Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, Covered Entity shall have the right to terminate this Agreement and the Underlying Agreement immediately if Covered Entity determines that Business Associate has violated any material term of this Agreement. If Covered Entity reasonably believes that Business Associate will violate a material term of this Agreement and, where practicable, Covered Entity gives written notice to Business Associate of such belief within a reasonable time after forming such belief, and Business Associate fails to provide adequate written assurances to Covered Entity that it will not breach the cited term of this Agreement within a reasonable period of time given the specific circumstances, but in any event, before the threatened breach is to occur, then Covered Entity shall have the right to terminate this Agreement and the Underlying Agreement immediately.

At termination of this Agreement, the Underlying Agreement (or any similar documentation of the business relationship of the Parties), or upon request of Covered Entity, whichever occurs first, if feasible, Business Associate will return or destroy all Protected Health Information received from or created or received by Business Associate on behalf of Covered Entity that Business Associate still maintains in any form and retain no copies of such information, or if such return or destruction is not feasible, Business Associate will extend the protections of this Agreement to the information and limit further uses and disclosures to those purposes that make the return or destruction of the information not feasible.

VIII. MISCELLANEOUS

Except as expressly stated herein or the HIPAA Rules, the Parties to this Agreement do not intend to create any rights in any third parties. The obligations of Business Associate under this Section shall survive the expiration, termination, or cancellation of this Agreement, the Underlying Agreement and/or the business relationship of the Parties, and shall continue to bind Business Associate, its agents, employees, contractors, successors, and assigns as set forth herein.

This Agreement may be amended or modified only in a writing signed by the Parties. No Party may assign its respective rights and obligations under this Agreement without the prior written consent of the other Party. None of the provisions of this Agreement are intended to create, nor will they be deemed to create any relationship between the Parties other than that of independent parties contracting with each other solely for the purposes of effecting the provisions of this Agreement and any other agreements between the Parties evidencing their business relationship. This Agreement will be governed by the laws of the State of Nevada. No change, waiver or discharge

of any liability or obligation hereunder on any one or more occasions shall be deemed a waiver of performance of any continuing or other obligation, or shall prohibit enforcement of any obligation, on any other occasion.

In the event that any provision of this Agreement is held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unenforceable, the remainder of the provisions of this Agreement will remain in full force and effect. In addition, in the event a Party believes in good faith that any provision of this Agreement fails to comply with the HIPAA Rules, such Party shall notify the other Party in writing. For a period of up to thirty days, the Parties shall address in good faith such concern and amend the terms of this Agreement, if necessary to bring it into compliance. If, after such thirty-day period, the Agreement fails to comply with the HIPAA Rules, then either Party has the right to terminate upon written notice to the other Party.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this Agreement as of the day and year written above.

COVERED ENTITY:	BUSINESS ASSOCIATE:
By: _____ DEPARTMENT HEAD	By: Michelle Byrd
Title: _____	Title: SVP, Compliance
Date: _____	Date: 9/15/2022