



**STATE PROCUREMENT OFFICE**  
CENTRAL SERVICES DIVISION

A Division of the  
Office of Management  
and Budget

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Mr. Steve Andrist, Executive Director  
North Dakota Newspaper Association  
1435 Interstate Loop  
Bismarck, ND 58503-0567

Dear Steve,

In accordance with North Dakota Century Code section 46-05-03, the Office of Management and Budget has computed the standard price for legal notices for the 2017-2019 biennium. These rates were adjusted based upon using a methodology agreed upon between the Office of Management and Budget and the North Dakota Newspaper Association which considered changes in economic conditions within the newspaper industry and the general economy. Input was received from consultation with representatives of the daily and weekly newspaper industry of the state and with representatives from state and local units of government.

The legal notice rate will be adjusted as follows:

	CURRENT RATES	2017-2018 RATES (0%)	2017-2019 RATES (1.5%)
	July 1, 2015 – July 1, 2017	July 1, 2017-June 30, 2018	July 1, 2018-June 30, 2019
Base Line Rate	\$ 0.79	\$0.79	(.79 x 1.015) = \$0.80
Column Inch – Daily	\$13.03	\$13.03	(13.03 x 1.015) = \$13.23
Column Inch – Small Daily	\$8.86	\$8.86	(8.86 x 1.015) = \$8.99
Column Inch – Weekly	\$6.38	\$6.38	(6.38 x 1.015) = \$6.48

North Dakota Century Code section 46-05-04 requires that these rates apply in all cases in which publication of legal notices of any kind, proceedings of the board of county commissioners, reports, election returns, and other publications and reports are required and allowed by law.

Please contact me at 701-328-1726 with any questions regarding the legal notice rates.

Sincerely,

Sherry Neas  
Director, Central Services Division  
Office of Management and Budget

C: Pam Sharp, Director, Office of Management and Budget