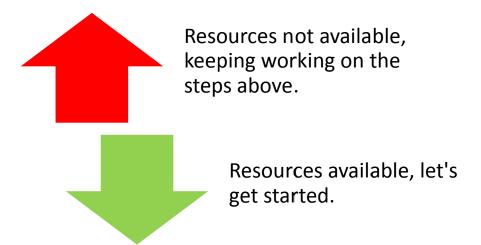
## **Personal Services Contract Timeline**

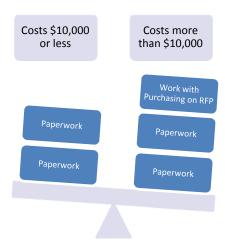
Due to the fact the Kentucky Procurement Laws require numerous steps and approvals for contracts involving professional services, we are providing a chart of activities included in the process. The minimum required time to complete a contract would be three weeks, some contracts can take several months to complete. Please make sure all the steps are followed and everything is approved before any work begins.

In the process of operating your department you have determined that the services of an outside consultant or professional service provider could help you solve a problem or provide expertise that will help you achieve a desired outcome.
A current contract is about to expire or a current service provider is not performing as well as expected.
Who provbides these services?
Approximately what will the cost be?
Have other departments or other universities had successes using a service provider for this?
Does your current budget have enough funds to pay for this service?
Do you need to seek funding with the help of you Vice President?

During the research stage listed above, the Purchasing Department can assist in finding potential vendors and approximate costs. This can be done in an informal manner or a Request for Information can be developed and posted on the web site where we post bids and requests for proposals. For some services the above steps do not require assistance from the Purchasing Department and can be completed very quickly. If the above steps are extensive and take a lot of effort, it is best to get the Purchasing Department involved as soon as possible.



## **Personal Services Contract Timeline**



Services with a cost of \$10,000 or less	Services with a cost of more than \$10,000	Est. Time Required
	1. Submit a requisition in Banner	1 day
	2. Requisition approvals	Same day or ?????
1. Submit a requisition in Banner	3. Work with the Purchasing	Generally takes
	Department on a Request for Proposals process	about one month
2. Requisition approvals	process	Same day or ?????
3. Complete and submit a contractor	4. Complete and submit a contractor	1 – 3 days
status form if the service is being	status form if the service is being	
provided by an individual.	provided by an individual.	
4. Fill out and submit the \$10,000 and	5. Fill out and submit the \$10,000 and	1 – 2 days
under Personal Service Contract form	under Personal Service Contract form	
5. Fill out and submit a Proof of	6. Fill out and submit a Proof of	Same 1 – 2 days as
Necessity form	Necessity form	above
When the Purchasing Department receives all of the above paperwork they send		15 – 30 days
it along with all other Personal Services Contracts received before the 15 <sup>th</sup> of the		
month to the President of the University with an approval form. Any contracts		
received after the 15 <sup>th</sup> of the month will be sent with the next month's batch.		
Up to the last day of the month the Purchasing Department sends all contracts		8 – 14 days
approved by the President to the Legislative Research Commission in Frankfort		
KY where they are prepared for review by the Government Contract Review		
Committee usually on the second Tuesday of the month.		
GCRC notifies the WKU Purchasing Department regarding approvals and		
disapprovals. If approved the Purchasing representative will convert the		
requisition received in Banner to a Purchase Order and the vendor and the		
department requesting the service will receive a copy of the Purchase Order via		
email.		