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# PURCHASING NOTES



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# BUREAU OF PURCHASING AND CONTRACTING



# **OPTFM Contracts by Analyst Responsibilities**

Please contact the analysts below if you need assistance with any OPTFM contracts:

#### ASHLEY SMITH

- Ammunition
- Fire Protection
- MS Recycled Products
- Laundry/Linen Rental Services
- Furniture (H-M)
- Mailing Equipment

### SHAKRITA FIELDS

- MDOT SWC
- Firefighting Uniforms
- Water Treatment
- Copiers/Printers

# LASHUN SMITH

- Incontinence
- Laundry Chemicals
- Toner
- Janitorial

# JAMES BRABSTON

- Traffic Signals
- Ground Maintenance
- Soft Body Armor
- Office Papers
- Furniture (N-Z)
- Office Supplies

#### KIZZIE SHORTER

- Furniture (A-G)
- Interior Signage
- Maintenance Repair & Operations
- Panel Systems
- Carbonless Paper
- Lab Supplies

# **CONTRACT AGENCIES LISTINGS**

# ASHLEY SMITH (601)359-5406

- ALCORN STATE
- ARTS COMMISSION
- BOSWELL REGIONAL CENTER
- CONTRACTORS BOARD
- COSMETOLOGY BOARD
- EXAMINERS LICENSURE BOARD
- GRAND GULF MILITARY
- GULF COAST RESEARCH USM
- HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
- JACKSON STATE UNIVERSITY
- MASSAGE THERAPY
- MOTOR VEHICLE COMMISSION
- MS DEPT. OF BANKING AND CONSUMER FINANCE
- MS DEPT. OF EMPLOYMENT SECURITY
- MS FORESTRY COMMISSION
- MS SPECIALIZED TREATMENT FACILITY
- OFFICE OF THE STATE AUDITOR
- REGISTRATION OF PRO ENG
- SENATE
- STATUS OF WOMEN
- TOMBIGBEE
- UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI
- VETERANS HOME PURCHASE BOARD
- WILDLIFE, FISHERIES AND PARKS



# JAMES BRABSTON (601)359-2007

- ATHLETIC COMMISION
- ATTORNEY GENERAL
- AUCTIONEER COMMISSION
- BOARD OF NURSING HOME ADMINISTRATORS
- BOARD OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTANCY
- CENTRAL MS RESIDENTIAL CENTER
- CHARTER SCHOOL AUTHORIZER BOARD
- DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
- DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES
- ELLISVILLE STATE SCHOOL
- IHL BOARD
- LBO
- LEGISLATIVE JOINT OPERATIONS
- MENTAL HEALTH
- MILITARY
- MS DEPT. OF CORRECTIONS
- MS DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
- MS FUNERAL SERVICES BOARD
- MS STATE UNIVERSITY
- PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
- SOIL AND WATER
- STATE ROAD AID
- UNIVERSITY OF MS MEDICAL CENTER
- VETERANS AFFAIRS BOARD
- YELLOW CREEK

# SHAKRITA FIELDS (601)359-9263

LASHUN SMITH (601)359-1310

- APPRAISER LICENSURE
- BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS
- BOARD OF REGISTERED PROFESSIONAL GEOLOGISTS
- EAST MS STATE HOSPITAL
- ETHICS
- INSURANCE
- ITS
- LIBRARY COMMISSION
- MARINE RESOURCES
- MEDICAID
- MS DEPT. OF ARCHIVES AND HISTORY
- MS DEPT. OF EDUCATION
- MS DEPT. OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION
- MS GAMING COMMISSION
- MS STATE PERSONNEL BOARD
- MS VALLEY STATE UNIVERSITY
- REGISTERED FORESTERS BOARD
- SUPREME COURT
- TAX APPEALS
- TRANSPORTATION
- UNIVERSITY PRESS
- PEER

- ADOLESCENT CENTER OF MS
- ARCHITECTURE BOARD
- BOARD OF ANIMAL HEALTH
- BOARD OF CHIROPRACTIC EXAMINERS
- BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGY
- BUREAU OF NARCOTICS
- CAPITAL PAST CONVICTION
- DELTA STATE UNIVERSITY
- DEPT. OF AGRICULTURE AND COMMERCE
- DEPT. OF ENVIROMENTAL QUALITY
- JUDICIAL PERFORMANCE
- MS COAST COL
- MS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
- MS PORT AUTHORITY
- MS STATE HOSPITAL
- MS STATE OIL AND GAS BOARD
- PHYSICAL THERAPY
- REAL ESTATE COMM
- REHAB SERVICES
- REVENUE
- SOUTH MS REGIONAL CENTER
- SOUTH MS STATE HOSPITAL
- STATE PUBLIC DEFENDER
- UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN MISSISSIPPI
- WORKERS COMP



# **KIZZIE SHORTER** (601)359-5222

- BOARD OF BARBER EXAMINERS
- BOARD OF PHARMACY
- CHILD PROTECTIVE SERVICES
- COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD
- EXAMINERS FOR SOCIAL WORKERS
- FIRE ACADEMY
- HUDSPETH
- JOINT LEGISLATIVE REAPP
- MEDICAL LICENSURE
- MEMA
- MS UNIVERSITY FOR WOMEN
- NORTH MS REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER
- NURSING BOARD
- PEARL RIVER VALLEY WATER
- PUBLIC BROADCASTING
- PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM
- SEC OF STATE
- VETERINARY MEDICINE
- VOLUNTEER SERVICES COMMISSION





#### **VEHICLE ROLLOVER**

#### **FORD**

Ford will be rolling over the 2025 contract price of the Super Duty trucks to the 2026MY for the repeat of the contract. You may contact the following vendors for purchase:

\*Landers South- 8200077385

Dan Lehman<u>dlehman@landersmemphis.com</u> Ph. 901.870.2332 Bill Weirich <u>Bweirich@landersmemphis.com</u> Ph. 901.212.5059

\*Courtesy Motors- 8200077393

Ritchie Bearden-Ritchie.bearden@pinebeltmotors.com Ph. 601.264.5555

#### **SILVERADO**

Cannon will be providing a rollover of the 2025 contract price for the 2026 Silverado PPV and SSV.

\*Cannon Chevrolet Cadillac Nissan LLC-8200077349

Steven Hand-Ph. 662.453.4211 ext. 3415

#### **CMFM CLASS**

Certified Fleet Management Class (CMFM) will be held on September 16, 2025, and is now available for registration within MAGIC LSO. Please be advised that only two (2) participants per agency are allowed to attend the class at one time. Once you register, you will receive an approved notification from MMRS. BFM will send class instructions and location after CMFM registration approvals. If you have any questions regarding CMFM registration, contact Alicia Adams at Alicia.adams@dfa.ms.gov.

#### **VEHICLE RECALLS**

#### \*Dodge

#### 2020 Dodge Charger

If you have any questions or need assistance regarding this matter, please contact FCA Recall Assistance Center at 1-800-853-1403.

If you would like to personally verify the recall status of your vehicle, visit recalls.mopar.com and search using your Vehicle Identification Number (VIN).

#### \*Ford

#### **2021 Police Interceptor**

If you have questions or concerns, please contact Ford Customer Relationship Center at 1-866-436-7332 or ford.com/support.

#### \*Chevrolet

### 2012 Chevrolet Silverado HD- Front Passenger Airbag Takata Inflator 2008 Chevrolet Impala- Unintended Ignition Key Rotation

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Chevrolet Customer Assistance Center at 1-800-222-1020.



#### Is TSA PreCheck Still Worth It?

#### What is TSA PreCheck?

Launched in December 2013, TSA PreCheck is a fee-based optional screening program that conducts passenger risk assessments before a planned trip. Prescreened American travelers get access to a dedicated TSA PreCheck Lane, available at more than 200 U.S. airports and make up about 34 percent of all screened travelers at TSA checkpoints. "It might not be at a really, really small regional airport, but I can't think of an airport where I haven't seen it," says Sally French, a frequent traveler and travel spokesperson at NerdWallet. A TSA spokesperson says that approximately 280 million passengers are screened through TSA PreCheck lanes annually. So, the question to be answered is TSA PreCheck still worth it? It depends on your situation.

#### TSA PreCheck may be worth it if:

- You travel by air regularly. Fish think even one trip a year makes it worth it. "TSA PreCheck is good for five years, so [it] works out to be well under \$20 per trip," she says.
- You struggle with long periods of standing.
- The unpredictability of potentially long lines causes undue stress, anxiety or is simply too annoying. Though if lines are your main issue, you may want to consider Clear, a biometric identity service that basically acts as a front-of-the-line pass, Price says. At \$209, the application is more costly than PreCheck, but it's also available at many large airports and is practically instantaneous. Price also notes that the line reduction may not be as significant for travelers with implants that set off the metal detectors; they'll still need to go through a body imaging device.
- Forgetfulness is an issue. "The odds that you take something out [of your bag] are also odds that you're going to lose it," French says.

You can get reimbursed for the cost of the application. "Many travel credit cards offer to cover Global Entry or TSA PreCheck as a benefit for holding the card," French says — some with no annual fee. "If your credit card covers it, you might as well apply." The TSA spokesperson says not enough time has elapsed since the shoes-off policy was changed to assess its impact on PreCheck enrollment, but so far it seems to be holding somewhat steady, dipping about 5,000 below its average monthly enrollment of 255,000 in July . "In looking at the three weeks preceding the announcement and the three weeks following, there's no significant difference in daily enrollment numbers — about a 1 percent decrease," the spokesperson says, adding that the renewal rate over the life of the program remains nearly 80 percent.

#### **Benefits of TSA PreCheck**

- **Decreased wait time**. The PreCheck line is typically shorter than the main security line in some cases, vastly so. According to TSA, 9 8 percent of PreCheck travelers wait 10 minutes or less, as opposed to 30 minutes or less, on average, in the regular line.
- Clothing items can stay on. This includes light jackets and belts.
- Items stay in your bag. There is no need to pull out and separately scan electronics or your clear quart-size container of liquids. However, those liquids still need to be 3.4 ounces or less.
- Access to new screening innovations. TSA often introduces them via PreCheck. A recent example: The touchless ID lanes that use facial recognition for faster ID verification are available in 10 locations and growing. All this comes with the TSA caveat that expedited screening is not guaranteed.

As of July 8, 2025, passengers are no longer required to remove their shoes during TSA airport security screenings, streamlining the process and enhancing traveler comfort. Regardless of what you think the TSA PreCheck is beneficial for everyone with this much needed travel perk!! Happy and Safe Travels!!

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