



Contra  
Costa  
County

To: Board of Supervisors  
From: David O. Livingston, Sheriff-Coroner  
Date: January 7, 2014  
Subject: Law Search Associates

**RECOMMENDATION(S):**

APPROVE and AUTHORIZE the Sheriff-Coroner, or designee, to enter into a contract with Law Search Associates, LLC dba Legal Research Associates in an amount not to exceed \$288,000 for law services to adult inmates incarcerated in County detention facilities for the term of January 1, 2014 to December 31, 2016

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

No County Costs. \$288,000; 100% Inmate Welfare Fund. Budgeted.

**BACKGROUND:**

Law Search Associates provide legal services to those incarcerated in Contra Costa Office of the Sheriff-Coroner Detention Facilities (Martinez Detention Facility, West County Detention Facility, and Marsh Creek Detention Facility). Law Search Associates will conduct legal research and meet with those incarcerated to facilitate their access to the Courts. This service is legally mandated under the laws of the State of California.

**CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:**

Should the Board of Supervisors deny this action the County will be out of compliance with

☒ APPROVE

☐ OTHER

☒ RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY ADMINISTRATOR

☐ RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD COMMITTEE

Action of Board On: **01/07/2014** ☒ APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED ☐ OTHER

Clerks Notes:

**VOTE OF SUPERVISORS**

AYE: John Gioia, District I Supervisor  
Candace Andersen, District II Supervisor  
Mary N. Piepho, District III Supervisor  
Karen Mitchoff, District IV Supervisor  
Federal D. Glover, District V Supervisor

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of an action taken and entered on the minutes of the Board of Supervisors on the date shown.

ATTESTED: January 7, 2014

David Twa, County Administrator and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By: Chris Heck, Deputy

Contact: Mary Jane Robb,  
335-1557

cc:

State law.

**CHILDREN'S IMPACT STATEMENT:**

No impact.