



Contra
Costa
County

To: Board of Supervisors
From: Sharon Offord Hymes, Risk Manager
Date: January 21, 2014

Subject: Risk Management Legal Defense Contracts

RECOMMENDATION(S):

APPROVE and AUTHORIZE the County Risk Manager to execute contracts with selected legal firms for defense of the County in workers' compensation, medical malpractice and civil rights claims for a period of one year effective January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014 in accordance with a specified fee schedule for the following: Craddick, Candland & Conti; D'Andre, Peterson, Bobas & Rosenberg; Edrington, Shirmer & Murphy; Gordon, Watrous, Ryan, Langley, Bruno & Paltenghi; Hanna, Brophy, MacLean, McAleer & Jensen; Law Offices of John F. Martin; McClellan & Corren; McNamara, Ney, Beatty, Slattery, Borges & Brothers; Mullen & Filippi; Thomas, Lyding, Cartier & Gaus.

☒ APPROVE

☐ OTHER

☒ RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY
ADMINISTRATOR

☐ RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD
COMMITTEE

Action of Board On: **01/21/2014** ☒ 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 21, 2014

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

Contact: Sharon Hymes-Offord
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By: Chris Heck, Deputy

cc:

FISCAL IMPACT:

Legal costs are funded through the Workers' Compensation, Liability and Medical Malpractice Internal Service Funds.

BACKGROUND:

Legal firms were selected for their experience and expertise in particular areas of legal defense. Risk Management assigns cases to the various firms. The following legal firms selected for defense of claims agree to new one-year contracts without a rate increase from January 2014 to December 31, 2014: Craddick, Candland & Conti; D'Andre, Peterson, Bobas & Rosenberg; Edrington, Shirmer & Murphy; Gordon, Watrous, Ryan, Langley, Bruno & Paltenghi; Hanna, Brophy, MacLean, McAleer & Jensen; Law Offices of John F. Martin; McClellan & Corren; McNamara, Ney, Beatty, Slattery, Borges & Brothers; Mullen & Filippi; Thomas, Lyding, Cartier & Gaus.

CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

The County will not have the benefit of aforementioned firms' legal expertise.

CHILDREN'S IMPACT STATEMENT:

None.