



Contra  
Costa  
County

To: Board of Supervisors  
From: Denise Rojas, Interim Risk Manager  
Date: January 14, 2020

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 effective January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020 in accordance with a specified fee schedule for the following firms: Bold, Polisner, Maddow, Nelson & Judson; Craddick, Candland & Conti; D'Andre, Peterson, Bobus & Rosenbeg; Edrington, Schirmer & Murphy; Hanna, Brophy, MacLean, McAleer & Jensen; McNamara, Ney, Beatty, Slattery, Borges & Ambacher; Mullen & Filippi; and Thomas, Lyding, Cartier & Gaus.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

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

**BACKGROUND:**

Legal firms are 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 with one-year contracts from January 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020 are: Bold, Polisner,

☒ APPROVE

☐ OTHER

☒ RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY ADMINISTRATOR

☐ RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD COMMITTEE

Action of Board On: **01/14/2020** ☒ APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED ☐ OTHER

Clerks Notes:

**VOTE OF SUPERVISORS**

AYE: John Gioia, District I  
Supervisor  
Candace Andersen, District II  
Supervisor  
Diane Burgis, District III  
Supervisor  
Federal D. Glover, District V  
Supervisor

ABSENT: Karen Mitchoff, District IV  
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 14, 2020

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

By: Laura Cassell, Deputy

Contact: Denise Rojas, (925)  
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cc:

Maddow, Nelson & Judson; Craddick, Candland

BACKGROUND: (CONT'D)

& Conti; D'Andre, Peterson, Bobus & Rosenberg; Edrington, Schirmer & Murphy; Hanna, Brophy, MacLean, McAleer & Jensen; McNamara, Ney, Beatty, Slattery, Borges & Ambacher; Mullen & Filippi; and Thomas, Lyding, Cartier & Gaus.

CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

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