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Contra Costa County

To: Board of Supervisors

From: Karen Caoile, Director of Risk Management

Date: December 14, 2021

Subject: Risk Management Legal Defense Contracts

RECOMMENDATION(S):

APPROVE and AUTHORIZE the Director of Risk Management to execute contracts with selected legal firms for defense of the County in workers' compensation, medical malpractice and liability tort claims effective January, 2022 through December 31, 2022 in accordance with a specified fee schedule for the following firms: Bold, Polisner, Maddow, Nelson & Judson; Craddick, Candland & Conti; D'Andre, Peterson, Bobus & Rosenberg; Edrington, Schirmer & Murphy; Hanna, Brophy; McClellan and Corren; 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 workers compensation cases to the various firms. The following legal firms selected for defense of claims with one-year contracts from January 1,

✓ APP	PROVE	OTHER					
Action of	Board On: 12/14/2021	APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED OTHER					
Clerks Notes:							
VOTE OF SUPERVISORS							
AYE:	John Gioia, District I Supervisor Candace Andersen, District II 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: December 14, 2021 Monica Nino, County Administrator and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors					
ABSENT:	Diane Burgis, District III Supervisor	By: Laura Cassell, Deputy					
Contact: Karen Caoile							

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BACKGROUND: (CONT'D)

2022 to December 31, 2022 are: Bold, Polisner, Maddow, Nelson & Judson; Craddick, Candland & Conti; D'Andre, Peterson, Bobus & Rosenberg; Edrington, Schirmer & Murphy; Hanna, Brophy, MacLean, McAleer & Jensen; McClellan and Corren; 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.