Contra Costa County

To: **Board of Supervisors** 

From: Mary Ann Mason, County Counsel

Date: September 13, 2022

Subject: Public report of litigation settlement agreements that became final during the period of August 1, 2022,

through August 31, 2022.

#### **RECOMMENDATION(S):**

RECEIVE public report of litigation settlement agreements that became final during the period of August 1, 2022, through August 31, 2022, as recommended by County Counsel.

### FISCAL IMPACT:

Settlement amounts are listed below.

#### **BACKGROUND:**

Two agreements to settle pending litigation, as defined in Government Code section 54956.9, became final during the period of August 1, 2022, through August 31, 2022.

Mary Elizabeth Knox, et al. v. County of Contra Costa, et al.; USDC Case No. 3:20-cv-01449-JCS (N.D.Cal.). On July 26, 2022, the Board of Supervisors unanimously approved a settlement in this employment matter involving the District Attorney's Office. The settlement agreement for \$2.2 million, inclusive of attorneys' fees and costs, was fully executed on August 9, 2022. The funding source is the Risk Management Liability Internal Service Fund.

	OTHER
	☐ RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD COMMITTEE
Action of Board On: 09/13/2022 ✓ APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED ☐ OTHER Clerks Notes:	
AYE: John Gioia, District I Supervisor Candace Andersen, District II Supervisor Diane Burgis, 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: September 13, 2022  Monica Nino, County Administrator and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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In re Claims of Jasmine Cisneros and Jocelyn Munoz. On August 16, 2022, the Board of Supervisors, in its capacity as the successor agency to the Los Medanos Community Healthcare District, unanimously approved a settlement in this employment matter involving the former District and its former executive director. The settlement agreement for \$350,000, inclusive of attorneys' fees and costs, was fully executed on August 23, 2022. The funding source is the former District's liability insurance carrier, less a \$29,000 deductible payment paid from the Los Medanos Community Healthcare fund.

## BACKGROUND: (CONT'D)

This report includes final settlements of litigation matters handled by the Office of the County Counsel. This report does not include litigation settlements that were reported by the Risk Management Division of the County Administrator's Office as a consent item on the Board's open session agenda.

# **CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:**

The report would not be accepted.