

# Mendocino County

# **Legislation Text**

File #: 18-1493, Version: 1

To: Board of Supervisors

From: County Counsel

**Meeting Date:** April 10, 2018

**Department Contact:** Katharine L. Elliott **Phone:** 234-6885 **Item Type:** Consent Agenda **Time Allocated for** 

Item: N/A

## **Agenda Title:**

Approval of Amendment to Board of Supervisors Agreement No. 17-098A1 with Mitchell, Brisso, Delaney & Vrieze Increasing the Amount from \$150,000 to \$250,000 for Litigation Services in *Linda Morales v. County of Mendocino*, et al.

#### **Recommended Action/Motion:**

Approve Amendment to Board of Supervisors Agreement No. 17-098A1 with Mitchell, Brisso, Delaney & Vrieze increasing the amount from \$150,000 to \$250,000 for litigation services in *Linda Morales v. County of Mendocino*, et al.; and authorize Chair to sign same.

# **Previous Board/Board Committee Actions:**

The Board of Supervisors approved an amendment to Board of Supervisors Agreement No. 17-098A1 with Mitchell, Brisso, Delaney & Vrieze on February 27, 2018 for an amount from \$100,000 to \$150,000 for litigation services in *Linda Morales v. County of Mendocino, et al.* 

#### **Summary of Request:**

The firm of Mitchell, Brisso, Delaney & Vrieze has been retained to handle the lawsuit of *Linda Morales v. County of Mendocino, et al.* in Federal Court due to a conflict with our office. The costs related to this lawsuit involve an extensive number of depositions including two witnesses residing in two separate states. A summary judgment motion has been filed. It is hoped that we will spend less than \$250,000 for the remainder of this case as a jury trial has begun as of April 2, 2018.

# **<u>Alternative Action/Motion:</u>**

Do not approve.

Supplemental Information Available Online at:  $\mathrm{N}/\mathrm{A}$ 

# **Fiscal Impact:**

**Source of Funding:** 862189 **Budgeted in Current F/Y:** No **Current F/Y Cost:** \$250,000 **Annual Recurring Cost:** N/A

Supervisorial District: All Vote Requirement: Majority

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### Agreement/Resolution/Ordinance Approved by County Counsel: Yes

**CEO Liaison:** Carmel J. Angelo, CEO

**CEO Review:** Yes **CEO Comments:** 



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Executed By: Willetta Callaghan Final Status: Approved

Date: April 11, 2018 Executed Item: Agreement Number: 17-098-A2

Executed Documents Returned to Departments:2 Originals Hand Delivered 1 to Department Executed Agreement Sent to Auditor? Y