



# Mendocino County

## Legislation Text

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**To:** Board of Supervisors

**From:** County Counsel

**Meeting Date:** July 12, 2022

**Department Contact:** Christian Curtis

**Phone:** 707-234-6885

**Item Type:** Consent Agenda

**Time Allocated for Item:** N/A

**Agenda Title:**

Approval of Retroactive Agreement with Colantuono, Highsmith & Whatley, PC, in the Amount of \$85,000 for Legal Services for the Period of May 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023

**Recommended Action/Motion:**

Approve retroactive agreement with Colantuono, Highsmith & Whatley, PC in the amount of \$85,000 for legal services for the period of May 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023; and authorize Chair to sign same.

**Previous Board/Board Committee Actions:**

No previous Board actions.

**Summary of Request:**

County Counsel is requesting the Board to approve the retroactive agreement with Colantuono, Highsmith & Whatley, PC in the amount of \$85,000 for the period of May 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023 to provide legal representation of the County of Mendocino for the appeal currently pending before the United States Court of Appeals - Ninth Circuit in the matter of Ezekial Flatten, et al. v. Bruce Smith, et al., (No. 21-cv-07031-SI), Appellate Case No. 22-15741 This firm's strong background in municipal law issues is assisting in the County's defense of these matters.

**Alternative Action/Motion:**

Please provide direction to staff.

**Does This Item Support the General Plan?** N/A

**Strategic Plan Priority Designation:** An Effective County Government

**Supervisory District:** All

**vote requirement:** Majority

**Supplemental Information Available Online At:** n/a

**Fiscal Details:**

**source of funding:** 0713-863320

**current f/y cost:** \$85,000

**annual recurring cost:** N/A

**budget clarification:** N/A

**budgeted in current f/y:** Yes

**if no, please describe:**

**revenue agreement:** N/A

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

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**CEO Liaison:** Executive Office

**CEO Review:** Yes

**CEO Comments:**

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Executed By: Atlas Pearson, Deputy Clerk II

Date: July 13, 2022

Final Status: Approved

Executed Item Type: Agreement    Number: 22-175

