

**STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS**  
**FOR THE REGULAR MEETING**  
**OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY CLAIMS BOARD**  
**HELD IN ROOM 648 OF THE KENNETH HAHN HALL OF ADMINISTRATION,**  
**500 WEST TEMPLE STREET, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90012**

**ON**

**MONDAY, AUGUST 21, 2006, AT 8:00 AM**

Present: Chairperson Maria M. Oms, Rocky Armfield and John Krattli

**The following items were presented to the Claims Board for consideration and the Board took actions as indicated in bold.**

1. Call to Order.
2. Opportunity for members of the public to address the Claims Board on items of interest within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Claims Board.

**No members of the public addressed the Claims Board.**

3. Closed Session – Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation (Subdivision (a) of Government Code Section 54956.9).
  - a. David Kolinski v. County of Los Angeles  
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC 331 766

This lawsuit concerns allegations that an employee of the Sheriff's Department was subjected to employment discrimination.

**Action Taken**

**The Claims Board recommended to the Board of Supervisors the settlement of this matter in the amount of \$325,000 and that the Auditor-Controller be instructed to draw a warrant to implement this settlement from the Sheriff's Department's budget.**

Absent: None

Vote: Unanimously carried

- b. Angelica Babudro v. Johanna Bradner, et al.  
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. EC 040 542

This lawsuit seeks compensation for injuries received from an automobile accident involving an employee of the Department of Children and Family Services.

**Action Taken**

**The Claims Board approved settlement of this matter in the amount of \$100,000 as set forth in the Claims Board memorandum.**

[See Supporting Document](#)

Absent: None

Vote: Unanimously carried

- c. Patricia Steffen v. County of Los Angeles  
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. SC 084 680

This lawsuit seeks compensation for injuries received from an automobile accident involving an employee of the Department of Public Works.

**Action Taken**

**The Claims Board approved settlement of this matter in the amount of \$50,000 as set forth in the Claims Board memorandum.**

[See Supporting Document](#)

Absent: None

Vote: Unanimously carried

- d. Regina Reeves v. County of Los Angeles  
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. PC 036 311

This lawsuit seeks compensation for injuries arising from a fall on a walkway in a County park.

**Action Taken**

**The Claims Board approved settlement of this matter in the amount of \$50,000 as set forth in the Claims Board memorandum.**

**[See Supporting Document](#)**

Absent: None

Vote: Unanimously carried

- e. Deanna Sprinkel, Sean Sprinkel, and Evelyn Sprinkel through her Guardian Ad Litem Deanna Sprinkel v. County of Los Angeles  
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. GC 034 916

This lawsuit seeks compensation for injuries received from a motor vehicle accident involving an employee of the Department of Parks and Recreation.

**Action Taken**

**The Claims Board recommended to the Board of Supervisors the settlement of this matter in the amount of \$2,500,000 and that the Auditor-Controller be instructed to draw a warrant to implement this settlement from the Department of Parks and Recreation's budget.**

**[See Supporting Document](#)**

Absent: None

Vote: Unanimously carried

- f. Brenda Gaines, et al. v. County of Los Angeles  
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC 318 934

This lawsuit seeks compensation for a death which occurred when Sheriff's Deputies were called to a residence regarding a complaint of spousal abuse.

**Action Taken**

**The Claims Board recommended to the Board of Supervisors the settlement of this matter in the amount of \$445,000 and that the Auditor-Controller be instructed to draw a warrant to implement this settlement from the Sheriff's Department's budget.**

[See Supporting Document](#)

Absent: None

Vote: Unanimously carried

- g. Anthony Fernandez v. County of Los Angeles  
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. PC 038 334

This lawsuit seeks compensation for injuries received by an inmate while incarcerated in the Los Angeles County Jail.

**Action Taken**

**The Claims Board recommended to the Board of Supervisors the settlement of this matter in the amount of \$750,000 and that the Auditor-Controller be instructed to draw a warrant to implement this settlement from the Sheriff's Department's budget.**

[See Supporting Document](#)

Absent: None

Vote: Unanimously carried

- h. Rosa Franco, et al. v. County of Los Angeles  
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC 309 544

This medical negligence lawsuit arises from injuries sustained by a patient while hospitalized at LAC+USC Medical Center.

**Action Taken**

**The Claims Board recommended to the Board of Supervisors the settlement of this matter in the amount of \$2,180,000 plus assumption of Medi-Cal Lien not to exceed \$183,390.30 and that the Auditor-Controller be instructed to draw a warrant to implement this settlement from the Department of Health Services' budget.**

**See Supporting Document**

Absent: None

Vote: Unanimously carried

4. Report of actions taken in Closed Session.
5. Approval of minutes for the meeting of the Claims Board of August 7, 2006.

**Action Taken:**

**The Minutes of August 7, 2006, were approved.**

**See Supporting Document**

Absent: None

Vote: Unanimously carried

6. Items not on the posted agenda, to be referred to staff or placed on the agenda for action at a further meeting of the Board, or matters requiring immediate action because of emergency situation or where the need to take immediate action came to the attention of the Board subsequent to the posting of the agenda.

**No such matters were discussed.**

7. Adjournment.