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TO:

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Attention: Agenda Preparation

FROM:

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RE:

Item for the Board of Supervisors' Agenda County Claims Board Recommendation

<u>Dawn DaLuise v. County of Los Angeles, et al.</u> United States District Court Case No. CV15-02701

Attached is the Agenda entry for the Los Angeles County Claims Board's recommendation regarding the above-referenced matter. Also attached is the Case Summary to be made available to the public.

It is requested that this recommendation and the Case Summary be placed on the Board of Supervisors' agenda.

RHG:vc

Attachments

Board Agenda

MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS

Los Angeles County Claims Board's recommendation: Authorize settlement of the matters entitled <u>Dawn DaLuise v. County of Los Angeles, et al.</u>, United States District Court Case No. CV15-02701 in the amount of \$270,000 and instruct the Auditor-Controller to draw a warrant to implement this settlement from the Sheriff's Department and the Department of Health Services' budget.

This lawsuit concerns allegations of deliberate indifference to the medical needs of an inmate while in the custody of the Sheriff's Department and also while she was a patient at one of the facilities operated by the Department of Health Services.

CASE SUMMARY

INFORMATION ON PROPOSED SETTLEMENT OF LITIGATION

CASE NAME

Dawn DaLuise v. County of Los Angeles, et al.

CASE NUMBER

2:15-CV-02701

COURT

United States District Court

DATE FILED

April 10, 2015

COUNTY DEPARTMENT

Department of Health Services

Sheriff's Department

PROPOSED SETTLEMENT AMOUNT

\$270,000 plus County's assumption of the Medi-Cal

lien in the amount of \$35,000

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NATURE OF CASE

On March 5, 2014, Ms. DaLuise was brought to Los Angeles Sheriff's Department's ("LASD") custody. She remained in custody until January 22, 2015. After being released from custody, Ms. DaLuise was

diagnosed with colorectal cancer.

Ms. DaLuise filed a civil action against the County of Los Angeles alleging that the County medical

providers should have diagnosed her cancer while

she was in custody.

PAID ATTORNEY FEES, TO DATE

\$ 129,305

PAID COSTS, TO DATE

\$ 11,872