



County of Los Angeles

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TO: EDWARD YEN
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Attention: Agenda Preparation

FROM: ADRIENNE M. BYERS
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A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'AMB', is placed next to the name Adrienne M. Byers.

RE: **Item for the Board of Supervisors' Agenda**
County Claims Board Recommendation
Leslie Gilbert, et al. v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
United States District Court Case No. 2:19-cv-08599



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 Case Summary, be placed on the Board of Supervisors' agenda.

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Attachments

Board Agenda

MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS

Los Angeles County Claims Board's recommendation: Authorize settlement of the matter entitled Leslie Gilbert, et al. v. County of Los Angeles, et al., United States District Court Case No. 2:19-cv-08599, in the amount of \$3,100,000, and instruct the Auditor-Controller to draw a warrant to implement this settlement from the Department of Health Services' budget.

This federal civil rights lawsuit alleges deliberate indifference to an inmate's medical needs resulting in death by suicide.

CASE SUMMARY

INFORMATION ON PROPOSED SETTLEMENT OF LITIGATION

CASE NAME	Leslie Gilbert, et al. v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
CASE NUMBER	2:19-CV-08599
COURT	United States District Court
DATE FILED	October 18, 2019
COUNTY DEPARTMENT	Department of Health Services
PROPOSED SETTLEMENT AMOUNT	\$ 3,100,000
ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF	John Burton The Law Offices of John Burton University of California at Irvine Legal Clinic
COUNTY COUNSEL ATTORNEY	Caroline S. Craddock Senior Deputy County Counsel
NATURE OF CASE	Plaintiffs allege that on September 20, 2018, Scott Gilbert died one day after release from Twin Towers Correctional Facility. His parents allege deliberate indifference by a jail nurse. Due to the risks and uncertainties of trial, a full and final settlement is recommended.
PAID ATTORNEY FEES, TO DATE	\$ 503,545
PAID COSTS, TO DATE	\$ 83,077