

**STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS**  
**FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES**  
**CONTRACT CITIES LIABILITY TRUST FUND CLAIMS BOARD**  
**HELD IN THE CITY OF NORWALK, COMMUNITY MEETING CENTER**  
**MULTIPURPOSE ROOM, 13200 CLARKSDALE AVENUE,**  
**NORWALK, CALIFORNIA 90650**  
**ON**  
**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10, 2013, AT 11:00 AM**

Members Present: Chair Curtis Morris, Margaret Finlay, Harold Hofmann,  
Mark Alexander, Michael Egan, Doug Prichard, and  
Sam Olivito

Alternates Present: Darrell George, David Spence and Cheri Kelley

1. **Call to Order.**
2. **Opportunity for members of the public to address the Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund 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).**

There were no settlement proposals for this meeting.

**4. Closed Session – Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation (Subdivision (a) of Government Code Section 54956.9)**

- a. William F. v. County of Los Angeles, et al.  
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC 437875  
  
No reportable action was taken.
- b. M.L. by Brandi Blackburn v. County of Los Angeles  
Norwalk Superior Court Case No. VC 058338  
  
No reportable action was taken.
- c. Isabel "Israel" Pulido v. County of Los Angeles, et al.  
Santa Monica Superior Court Case No. SC 115321  
  
No reportable action was taken.
- d. Shahram Salimitari v. County of Los Angeles  
Chatsworth Superior Court Case No. PC 051113  
  
No reportable action was taken.
- e. Katrina Taylor v. County of Los Angeles  
Norwalk Superior Court Case No. VC 058739  
  
No reportable action was taken.

**5. Report of actions taken in Closed Session.**

The Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board reconvened in open session and reported the actions taken in closed session as indicated under Agenda Items No. 3 and No. 4 above.

**6. Approval of the minutes of the March 13, 2013, meeting of the Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board.**

Action Taken:

The Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board approved the minutes.

Vote: Ayes: 7 -- Curtis Morris, Mark Alexander, Margaret Finlay, Michael Egan, Doug Prichard, Harold Hofmann and Sam Olivito

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- 7. 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.**

One case:

- Derrick Simpson v. County of Los Angeles, et al.  
Compton Superior Court Case No. TC 025257

No reportable action was taken.

- 8. Other Business.**

None

- 9. Adjournment.**

**COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES  
CONTRACT CITIES LIABILITY TRUST FUND  
CLAIMS BOARD**

**MINUTES OF MEETING**

March 13, 2013

**Agenda Item No.: 5**

**1. Call to Order**

This meeting of the County of Los Angeles Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board was called to order by Curtis Morris, at 11:16 a.m. The meeting was held in the City of Norwalk Sproul Room, 13200 Clarkdale Avenue, Norwalk, CA 90650.

Michael Gennaco, Office of Independent Review ("OIR"), was present to discuss the Jonathan Cuevas v. County of Los Angeles case presented at the February's meeting. Mr. Gennaco shared with the Claims Board that the Deputy's actions although not optimal were acceptable under the circumstances. There is some concern with the actions of the Deputy closing in on the suspect and placing himself at such close range, however the OIR did conclude that the action was within policy in regards to the tactical choices by the Deputy. The OIR's conclusion did conflict with that of the Department; however they find the Department's finding reasonable.

Present at the meeting were **Claims Board Members:** Curtis Morris, Chair, San Dimas, Region III; Mark Alexander, La Canada Flintridge, Region I; Margaret Finlay, Duarte, Region I; Michael Egan, Norwalk, Region III; Doug Prichard, Rolling Hills Estates, Region II; Harold Hofmann, Lawndale, Region II; **Alternates:** Howard Chambers, Lakewood, Region III; David Spence, La Canada Flintridge, Region I; Cheri Kelley, Norwalk, Region III; **County of Los Angeles Staff:** Ruben Baeza, Assistant County Counsel; Ernie Romo, Risk Management, Chief Executive Office; Shaun Mathers, Civil Litigation Unit, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Ronald Williams, Civil Litigation Unit, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Chris Deacon, Civil Litigation Unit, Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department; **Third Party Administrator for the County of Los Angeles:** Tanya Souza, Claims, Carl Warren & Company; **California JPIA:** Jonathan Shull, Chief Executive Officer; Jennifer Fullerton, Secretary.

**2. Public Comment**

Members of the public were provided the opportunity to address the Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board on items of interest that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Claims Board. No members of the public addressed the Board.

At 11:34 a.m., the Chair adjourned the County of Los Angeles Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board into Closed Session.

**3. Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation  
(Subdivision (a) of Government Code Section 54956.9)**

- a. Josie De La Rosa v. County of Los Angeles, et al.  
United States District Court Case No. CV1100465

This lawsuit concerns allegations of sexual assault by a Deputy Sheriff.

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

**The vote of the Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board was as follows: Curtis Morris, Mark Alexander, Michael Egan, Margaret Finlay, Doug Prichard, and Harold Hofmann approved; Sam Olivito was absent.**

- b. Unlitigated Claims of Jan Denham & Robert Levy  
Claim No. 11-1087252\*005 - \*006

These claims concerns allegations of auto liability by failing to stop for a red light.

**The Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board approved settlement of this matter in the amount of \$27,000 as set forth in the Claims Board memorandum.**

**The vote of the Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board was as follows: Curtis Morris, Mark Alexander, Michael Egan, Margaret Finlay, Doug Prichard, and Harold Hofmann approved; Sam Olivito was absent.**

**4. Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation  
(Subdivision (a) of Government Code Section 54956.9)**

- a. Gloria Acevedo v. County of Los Angeles, et al.  
Norwalk Superior Court Case No. VC058172

- b. Jose Hernandez v. County of Los Angeles, et al.  
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC473842

The meeting was reconvened into public session at 12:44 p.m. No action was taken in Closed Session which required a public report pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.1.

**5. Approval of the Minutes for the February 13, 2013 meeting of the Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board.**

The Minutes for the meeting of February 13, 2013, were approved.

**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 Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims 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**

Two cases presented:

- Khanh Nguyen v. County of Los Angeles, et al.  
Pomona Superior Court Case No. KC063375
- Gordon Phillips v. County of Los Angeles, et al.  
Lancaster Superior Court Case No. MC023209

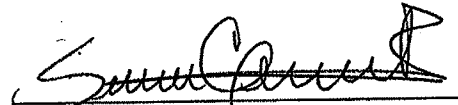
**7. Other Business**

None

**8. Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:44 p.m.

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES  
CONTRACT CITIES LIABILITY  
TRUST FUND CLAIMS BOARD

  
SANDRA C. RUIZ