#### 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, MAY 7, 2007, 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 Claims Board took actions as indicated in bold.

- 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. County of Los Angeles v. Sandra Shewry and State Department of Health Services
    Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BS 100113

This lawsuit concerns payments under the State Medi-Cal Program.

#### **Action Taken:**

The Claims Board approved settlement of this matter whereby the County will receive approximately \$62,011 as set forth in the Claims Board memorandum.

#### See Supporting Document

Absent:

None

Vote:

Unanimously carried

b. <u>Bella Gasper/Harassment Claim Involving Patrick Gipson</u> DFEH E200607T0551-00-sc

This claim concerns allegations that a Superior Court employee was subjected to sexual harassment by a Deputy Sheriff.

## **Action Taken:**

The Claims Board approved settlement of this matter. The substance of the above-settlement will be disclosed upon inquiry by any person as soon as the settlement becomes final following approval by all parties.

Absent:

None

Vote:

Unanimously carried

c. <u>Rita Ogbo, M.D.</u> v. <u>Thomas Garthwaite, M.D., et al.</u> Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC 350 224

This lawsuit concerns allegations of defamation and invasion of privacy by a Department of Health Services employee.

# **Action Taken:**

The Claims Board approved settlement of this matter. The substance of the above-settlement will be disclosed upon inquiry by any person as soon as the settlement becomes final following approval by all parties.

Absent:

None

Vote:

Unanimously carried

d. <u>Duk Song et. al.</u> v. <u>County of Los Angeles</u> Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. KC 045984

This dangerous condition/wrongful death lawsuit arises from injuries sustained in a vehicle accident when an automobile struck a golf cart in a County-maintained crosswalk.

# **See Supporting Document**

## **Action Taken:**

The Claims Board recommended to the Board of Supervisors the settlement of this matter in the amount of \$150,000 and that the Auditor-Controller be instructed to draw a warrant to implement this settlement from the Department of Public Works' budget.

Absent:

None

Vote:

Unanimously carried

4. Report of actions taken in Closed Session.

The Claims Board reconvened in open session and reported the actions taken in closed session as indicated under Agenda Item No. 3 above.

5. Approval of the minutes for the April 16, 2007, meeting of the Claims Board.

#### **Action Taken:**

The Minutes of April 16, 2007, 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.

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