# **ORIGINAL**

#### AGREEMENT FOR SERVICES #804-S0911

**THIS AGREEMENT** made and entered by and between the County of El Dorado, a political subdivision of the State of California (hereinafter referred to as "County") and William J. Gilles, M.D., an individual, duly qualified to conduct business in the State of California, whose principal place of business is 1000 Fowler Way, Suite 4, Placerville, CA 95667, (hereinafter referred to as "Consultant");

#### RECITALS

WHEREAS, County has determined that it is necessary to obtain a Consultant to provide selected pathology and related services in Placerville and South Lake Tahoe for the Sheriff's Office, Coroner Division; and

WHEREAS, Consultant has represented to County that it is specially trained, experienced, expert and competent to perform the special services required hereunder and County has determined to rely upon such representations; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the parties hereto that such services be in conformity with all applicable federal, state and local laws; and

WHEREAS, County has determined that the provision of these services provided by Consultant is in the public's best interest, and that these services are more economically and feasibly performed by outside independent Consultants as well as authorized by El Dorado County Charter, Section 210 (b) (6) and/or Government Code 31000;

NOW, THEREFORE, County and Consultant mutually agree as follows:

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#### ARTICLE I

Scope of Services: Consultant agrees to furnish the personnel, equipment and materials necessary to provide selected pathology and related services in the Placerville and South Lake Tahoc areas for the El Dorado County Sheriff's Office, Coroner Division. Services shall include, but not be limited to those described in Exhibit "A", marked "Scope of Services, incorporated herein and made by reference a part hereof, along with providing clinical autopsies, collecting toxicology, reviewing charts and general assistance to Coroner detectives regarding coroner cases.

#### ARTICLE II

**Term:** This Agreement shall become effective upon final execution by both parties hereto and shall cover the period of August 1, 2009 through July 31, 2012.

### ARTICLE III

Compensation for Services: For services provided herein, County agrees to pay Consultant monthly in arrears and within thirty (30) days following the County's receipt and approval of itemized invoice(s) identifying services rendered. For the purposes of this Agreement, the billing rate shall be in accordance with Exhibit "B", marked "Compensation", incorporated herein and made by reference a part hereof.

All invoices are to reference Agreement #804-S0911 and sent to:

El Dorado County Sheriff's Office Attention: Accounting Department 1319 Broadway Placerville, CA 95667

Total amount of this Agreement shall not exceed \$423,000.

#### ARTICLE IV

**License:** Consultant warrants and represents that he/she is duly licensed in good standing by the State of California to perform the services under this Agreement, and that Consultant shall maintain said license in good standing throughout the term of this Agreement.

## ARTICLE V

Confidentiality: The Consultant shall protect from unauthorized disclosure names and other identifying information concerning persons receiving services pursuant to this Agreement, except for statistical information not identifying any client. The Consultant shall not use such information for any purpose other than carrying out the Consultant's obligations under this Agreement. The Consultant shall promptly transmit to the County all requests for disclosure of such information not emanating from the client. The Consultant shall not disclose, except as otherwise specifically permitted by this Agreement or authorized by the client, any such information to anyone other than the County, except when subpocnaed by a court. For purposes of this paragraph, identity shall include, but not be limited to, name, identifying number, symbol, or other identifying particular assigned to the individual, such as finder or voice print or a photograph. If the Consultant receives

any individually identifiable health information ("Protected Health Information" or "PHI") from County or creates or receives any PHI on behalf of County, the Consultant shall maintain the security and confidentiality of such PHI as required of County by applicable laws and regulations, including the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 ("HIPAA") and the regulations promulgated thereunder. Consultant shall execute that HIPAA Business Associate Agreement which is attached hereto as Exhibit "C", which is incorporated herein and made by reference a part hereof.

#### ARTICLE VI

Changes to Agreement: This Agreement may be amended by mutual consent of the parties hereto. Said amendments shall become effective only when in writing and fully executed by duly authorized officers of the parties hereto.

#### ARTICLE VII

Consultant to County: It is understood that the services provided under this Agreement shall be prepared in and with cooperation from County and its staff. It is further agreed that in all matters pertaining to this Agreement, Consultant shall act as Consultant only to County and shall not act as Consultant to any other individual or entity affected by this Agreement nor provide information in any manner to any party outside of this Agreement that would conflict with Consultant's responsibilities to County during term hereof.

#### ARTICLE VIII

Assignment and Delegation: Consultant is engaged by County for its unique qualifications and skills as well as those of its personnel. Consultant shall not subcontract, delegate or assign services to be provided, in whole or in part, to any other person or entity without prior written consent of County.

## ARTICLE IX

Independent Consultant/Liability: Consultant is, and shall be at all times, deemed independent and shall be wholly responsible for the manner in which it performs services required by terms of this Agreement. Consultant exclusively assumes responsibility for acts of its employees, associates, and subConsultants, if any are authorized herein, as they relate to services to be provided under this Agreement during the course and scope of their employment.

Consultant shall be responsible for performing the work under this Agreement in a safe, professional, skillful and workmanlike manner and shall be liable for its own negligence and negligent acts of its employees. County shall have no right of control over the manner in which work is to be done and shall, therefore, not be charged with responsibility of preventing risk to Consultant or its employees.

#### ARTICLE X

Fiscal Considerations: The parties to this Agreement recognize and acknowledge that County is a political subdivision of the State of California. As such, El Dorado County is subject to the provisions of Article XVI, Section 18 of the California Constitution and other similar fiscal and procurement laws and regulations and may not expend funds for products, equipment or services

not budgeted in a given fiscal year. It is further understood that in the normal course of County business, County will adopt a proposed budget prior to a given fiscal year, but that the final adoption of a budget does not occur until after the beginning of the fiscal year.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement to the contrary, County shall give notice of cancellation of this Agreement in the event of adoption of a proposed budget that does not provide for funds for the services, products or equipment subject herein. Such notice shall become effective upon the adoption of a final budget which does not provide funding for this Agreement. Upon the effective date of such notice, this Agreement shall be automatically terminated and County released from any further liability hereunder.

In addition to the above, should the Board of Supervisors during the course of a given year for financial reasons reduce, or order a reduction, in the budget for any County department for which services were contracted to be performed, pursuant to this paragraph in the sole discretion of the County, this Agreement may be deemed to be canceled in its entirety subject to payment for services performed prior to cancellation.

#### ARTICLE XI

## Default, Termination, and Cancellation:

A. Default: Upon the occurrence of any default of the provisions of this Agreement, a party shall give written notice of said default to the party in default (notice). If the party in default does not cure the default within ten (10) days of the date of notice (time to cure), then such party shall be in default. The time to cure may be extended at the discretion of the party giving notice. Any extension of time to cure must be in writing, prepared by the party in default for signature by the party giving notice and must specify the reason(s) for the extension and the date on which the extension of time to cure expires.

Notice given under this section shall specify the alleged default and the applicable Agreement provision and shall demand that the party in default perform the provisions of this Agreement within the applicable period of time. No such notice shall be deemed a termination of this Agreement unless the party giving notice so elects in this notice, or the party giving notice so elects in a subsequent written notice after the time to cure has expired. In the event of termination for default, County reserves the right to take over and complete the work by contract or by any other means.

- B. Bankruptcy: This Agreement, at the option of the County, shall be terminable in the case of bankruptcy, voluntary or involuntary, or insolvency of Consultant.
- C. Ceasing Performance: County may terminate this Agreement in the event Consultant ceases to operate as a business, or otherwise becomes unable to substantially perform any term or condition of this Agreement.
- D. Termination or Cancellation without Cause: County may terminate this Agreement in whole or in part upon seven (7) calendar days written notice by County without cause. If such prior termination is effected, County will pay for satisfactory services rendered prior to

the effective dates as set forth in the Notice of Termination provided to Consultant, and for such other services, which County may agree to in writing as necessary for contract resolution. In no event, however, shall County be obligated to pay more than the total amount of the contract. Upon receipt of a Notice of Termination, Consultant shall promptly discontinue all services affected, as of the effective date of termination set forth in such Notice of Termination, unless the notice directs otherwise.

#### ARTICLE XII

**Notice to Parties:** All notices to be given by the parties hereto shall be in writing and served by depositing same in the United States Post Office, postage prepaid and return receipt requested. Notices to County shall be addressed as follows:

COUNTY OF EL DORADO SHERIFF'S OFFICE 1319 BROADWAY PLACERVILLE, CA 95667 ATTN: BRIAN GOLMITZ, LIEUTENANT

or to such other location as the County directs.

With a carbon copy to:

COUNTY OF EL DORADO
CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE.
PROCUREMENT AND CONTRACTS DIVISION
330 FAIR LANE
PLACERVILLE, CA 95667
ATTN: GAYLE ERBE-HAMLIN, PURCHASING AGENT

Notices to Consultant shall be addressed as follows:

WILLIAM J. GILLES, M.D. 1000 FOWLER WAY, SUITE 4 PLACERVILLE, CA 95667

or to such other location as the Consultant directs.

#### ARTICLE XIII

Indemnity: The Consultant shall defend, indemnify, and hold the County harmless against and from any and all claims, suits, losses, damages and liability for damages of every name, kind and description, including attorneys fees and costs incurred, brought for, or on account of, injuries to or death of any person, including but not limited to workers, County employees, and the public, or damage to property, or any economic or consequential losses, which are claimed to or in any way arise out of or are connected with the Consultant's services, operations, or performance hereunder, regardless of the existence or degree of fault or negligence on the part of the County, the

Consultant, subConsultant(s) and employee(s) of any of these, except for the sole, or active negligence of the County, its officers and employees, or as expressly prescribed by statute. This duty of Consultant to indemnify and save County harmless includes the duties to defend set forth in California Civil Code Section 2778.

#### ARTICLE XIV

**Insurance:** Consultant shall provide proof of a policy of insurance satisfactory to the El Dorado County Risk Manager and documentation evidencing that Consultant maintains insurance that meets the following requirements:

- A. Full Workers' Compensation and Employers' Liability Insurance covering all employees of Consultant as required by law in the State of California.
- B. Commercial General Liability Insurance of not less than \$1,000,000.00 combined single limit per occurrence for bodily injury and property damage.
- C. Automobile Liability Insurance of not less than \$1,000,000.00 is required in the event motor vehicles are used by the Consultant in the performance of the Agreement.
- D. In the event Consultant is a licensed professional, and is performing professional services under this Agreement, professional liability (for example, malpractice insurance) is required with a limit of liability of not less than \$1,000,000.00 per occurrence.
- E. Consultant shall furnish a certificate of insurance satisfactory to the El Dorado County Risk Manager as evidence that the insurance required above is being maintained.
- F. The insurance will be issued by an insurance company acceptable to Risk Management, or be provided through partial or total self-insurance likewise acceptable to Risk Management.
- G. Consultant agrees that the insurance required above shall be in effect at all times during the term of this Agreement. In the event said insurance coverage expires at any time or times during the term of this Agreement, Consultant agrees to provide at least thirty (30) days prior to said expiration date, a new certificate of insurance evidencing insurance coverage as provided for herein for not less than the remainder of the term of the Agreement, or for a period of not less than one (1) year. New certificates of insurance are subject to the approval of Risk Management and Consultant agrees that no work or services shall be performed prior to the giving of such approval. In the event the Consultant fails to keep in effect at all times insurance coverage as herein provided, County may, in addition to any other remedies it may have, terminate this Agreement upon the occurrence of such event.
- H. The certificate of insurance must include the following provisions stating that:
  - The insurer will not cancel the insured's coverage without thirty (30) days prior written notice to County, and;
  - 2. The County of El Dorado, its officers, officials, employees, and volunteers are

included as additional insured, but only insofar as the operations under this Agreement are concerned. This provision shall apply to the general liability policy.

- I. The Consultant's insurance coverage shall be primary insurance as respects the County, its officers, officials, employees and volunteers. Any insurance or self-insurance maintained by the County, its officers, officials, employees or volunteers shall be excess of the Consultant's insurance and shall not contribute with it.
- J. Any deductibles or self-insured retentions must be declared to and approved by the County, either: the insurer shall reduce or eliminate such deductibles or self-insured retentions as respects the County, its officers, officials, employees, and volunteers; or the Consultant shall procure a bond guaranteeing payment of losses and related investigations, claim administration and defense expenses.
- K. Any failure to comply with the reporting provisions of the policies shall not affect coverage provided to the County, its officers, officials, employees or volunteers.
- L. The insurance companies shall have no recourse against the County of El Dorado, its officers and employees or any of them for payment of any premiums or assessments under any policy issued by any insurance company.
- M. Consultant's obligations shall not be limited by the foregoing insurance requirements and shall survive expiration of this Agreement.
- N. In the event Consultant cannot provide an occurrence policy, Consultant shall provide insurance covering claims made as a result of performance of this Agreement for not less than three (3) years following completion of performance of this Agreement.
- O. Certificate of insurance shall meet such additional standards as may be determined by the contracting County Department either independently or in consultation with Risk Management, as essential for the protection of the County.

#### ARTICLE XV

Interest of Public Official: No official or employee of County who exercises any functions or responsibilities in review or approval of services to be provided by Consultant under this Agreement shall participate in or attempt to influence any decision relating to this Agreement which affects personal interest or interest of any corporation, partnership, or association in which he/she is directly or indirectly interested; nor shall any such official or employee of County have any interest, direct or indirect, in this Agreement or the proceeds thereof.

#### ARTICLE XVI

Interest of Consultant: Consultant covenants that Consultant presently has no personal interest or financial interest, and shall not acquire same in any manner or degree in either: 1) any other contract connected with or directly affected by the services to be performed by this Agreement; or, 2) any other entities connected with or directly affected by the services to be performed by this

Agreement. Consultant further covenants that in the performance of this Agreement no person having any such interest shall be employed by Consultant.

#### ARTICLE XVII

Conflict of Interest: The parties to this Agreement have read and are aware of the provisions of Government Code Section 1090 et seq. and Section 87100 relating to conflict of interest of public officers and employees. Consultant attests that it has no current business or financial relationship with any County employee(s) that would constitute a conflict of interest with provision of services under this contract and will not enter into any such business or financial relationship with any such employee(s) during the term of this Agreement. County represents that it is unaware of any financial or economic interest of any public officer of employee of Consultant relating to this Agreement. It is further understood and agreed that if such a financial interest does exist at the inception of this Agreement either party may immediately terminate this Agreement by giving written notice as detailed in the Article in the Agreement titled, "Default, Termination and Cancellation".

#### ARTICLE XVIII

California Residency (Form 590): All independent Consultants providing services to the County must file a State of California Form 590, certifying their California residency or, in the case of a corporation, certifying that they have a permanent place of business in California. The Consultant will be required to submit a Form 590 prior to execution of an Agreement of County shall withhold seven (7) percent of each payment made to the Consultant during term of the Agreement. This requirement applies to any agreement/contract exceeding \$1,500.00.

### ARTICLE XIX

**Taxpayer Identification Number (Form W-9):** All independent Consultants or corporations providing services to the County must file a Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Form W-9, certifying their Taxpayer Identification Number.

#### ARTICLE XX

County Business License: It is unlawful for any person to furnish supplies or services, or transact any kind of business in the unincorporated territory of El Dorado County without possessing a County business license unless exempt under County Code Section 5.08.070.

#### ARTICLE XXI

**Administrator:** The County Officer or employee with responsibility for administering this Agreement is Brian Golmitz. Licutenant, Sheriff's Office, or successor.

#### ARTICLE XXII

**Authorized Signatures:** The parties to this Agreement represent that the undersigned individuals executing this Agreement on their respective behalf are fully authorized to do so by law or other appropriate instrument and to bind upon said parties to the obligations set forth herein.

#### ARTICLE XXIII

**Partial Invalidity:** If any provision of this Agreement is held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, void or unenforceable, the remaining provisions will continue in full force and effect without being impaired or invalidated in any way.

#### ARTICLE XIV

**Venue:** Any dispute resolution action arising out of this Agreement, including, but not limited to, litigation, mediation, or arbitration, shall be brought in El Dorado County, California, and shall be resolved in accordance with the laws of the State of California.

### ARTICLE XXV

**Entire Agreement:** This document and the documents referred to herein or exhibits hereto are the entire Agreement between the parties and they incorporate or supersede all prior written or oral Agreements or understandings.

## REQUESTING CONTRACT ADMINISTRATOR CONCURRENCE:

By:	I AMAIA.
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Sheriff's Office

Dated: 5/5/09

### REQUESTING DEPARTMENT HEAD CONCURRENCE:

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement on the dates indicated below.

## -- COUNTY OF EL DORADO --

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## EXHIBIT "A" SCOPE OF SERVICES

#### Consultant Shall:

- 1. Provide determination of medical cause of death in a timely manner and at the earliest possible time in all cases including, but not limited to, autopsics, gross and microscopic examination of tissues, bacteriological examination, review of medical reports and other such services as are appropriate to determine the cause of death. Consultant shall submit a complete written report of findings to Coroner not later than seventy (70) working days following performance of the autopsy and/or related services such as toxicology or neuropathology. Reports which require more than seventy (70) working days to complete requires approval from the Coroner. Medical transcription services shall be the responsibility of the Consultant.
- 2. Perform all required autopsies in facilities provided by County unless otherwise agreed between Consultant and Coroner. External examinations shall be performed in facilities in El Dorado County provide by County. Evaluation of medical records shall be performed in Consultant's office. County shall be responsible for transporting medical records to Consultant.
- 3. Provide licensed pathologists to perform all required autopsies at least once per day, five days per week, Monday through Friday, unless the Coroner requires no autopsies. The time to be mutually agreed upon by the Consultant and the Coroner. Services shall be provided within twenty-four (24) hours of a request by the Coroner, weekends excluded. The Consultant, upon specific request of the Coroner, shall provide services on weekends and/or at the location where a body is discovered. Consultant to be reimbursed at \$180.00 per hour for this service in addition to the normal autopsy fee.
- 4. Testify at all civil and criminal proceedings when requested to do so by the District Attorney or County of El Dorado as to any matter relating to autopsy findings.
- 5. The County shall identify the time at which Consultant shall appear in court for such testimony as is described in #4 above. Consultant shall be reimbursed at an hourly rate of \$180.00 per hour for this service. This same fee also applies to any conferences, liaison, pre-trail conferences, criminal depositions, and exhumations. These reimbursements are to be paid out of the District Attorney's budget in criminal matters only.

6. The County shall pay all costs of disinterments unless upon disinterment of the body, it is discovered that the Consultant's diagnosis of the cause of death was incorrect, and that the negligence of the Consultant contributed to the diagnosis. In such a case, the Consultant shall pay the cost of disinterment.

## County shall:

- Through the Coroner have sole discretion and jurisdiction control as to which cases, pursuant to Section 27491 of the California Government Code, shall be autopsied.
- Provide direction to Consultant as to work to be performed, recognizing that Consultant shall use its independent medical judgment in determining how to perform the autopsies.
- 3. Have the right to approve all personnel employed by Consultant. In the event County disapproves of any such personnel, those person disapproved of shall not be used by Consultant in the performance of this Agreement. Consultant assumes all liability caused by acts or omissions of its personnel while on County property.
- 4. Furnish to Consultant the physical facilities necessary to perform gross autopsies
- Provide all histology services through a histology laboratory. Provide any specialized chemical, bacteriological, immunological and hematological tests as are required.
- Have sole discretion through the Coroner in granting permission to be present at any post-mortem examination as provided in Section 2749.4 of the Government Code.
- Provide specialized services to the autopsy staff when needed, including, but not limited to, providing criminalistics, forensic toxicology, clinical chemistry, clinical microbiology, forensic radiology, forensic odontology, forensic neuropathology, entomology, anthropology and anesthesiology.
- In the event of a major disaster involving ten (10) or more deaths, additional compensation will be negotiated.

## EXHIBIT "B" COMPENSATION

# County shall pay Consultant as follows:

Medical Record Evaluation	\$80.00 per service
External Examination Only	\$250.00 per service
Routine Autopsy	\$600.00 per service

Services to be provided Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.. If the Coroner requests an after-hours service, the Consultant shall be reimbursed \$180.00 per hour in addition to the normal charge for services listed above.

## Additional Services:

Court Testimony	\$180.00 per hour
Conferences	\$180.00 per hour
Liaison	\$180.00 per hour
Pre-Trial Conferences	\$180.00 per hour
Exhumations	\$180.00 per hour

## EXHIBIT "C" HIPAA Business Associate Agreement

This HIPAA Business Associate Agreement is made part of the base contract ("Underlying Agreement") to which it is attached, as of the date of commencement of the term of the Underlying Agreement (the "Effective Date").

#### RECITALS

WHEREAS, County and Consultant entered into the Underlying Agreement pursuant to which Consultant provides services to County, and in conjunction with the provision of such services, certain Protected Health Information ("PHI") and Electronic Protected Health Information ("EPHI") may be made available to Consultant for the purposes of carrying out its obligations under the Underlying Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the provisions of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act, Pub. L. No. 104-161 of 1996 ("HIPAA"), more specifically the regulations found at Title 45, CFR, Parts 160 - 164 (the "Privacy and Security Rule"), as may be amended from time to time, which are applicable to the protection of any disclosure of PHI pursuant to the Underlying Agreement; and

WHEREAS, County is a Covered Entity, as defined in the Privacy Rule; and

WHEREAS, Consultant, when a recipient of PHI from County, is a Business Associate as defined in the Privacy Rule; and

WHEREAS, "Individual" shall have the same meaning as the term" individual" in 45 CFR § 164.501 and shall include a person who qualifies as a personal representative in accordance with 45 CFR § 164.202(g); and

WHEREAS, the parties agree that any disclosure or use of PIII or EPHI be in compliance with the Privacy and Security Rule or other applicable law;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual promises and covenants contained herein, the Parties agree as follows:

- Definitions. Unless otherwise provided in this Business Associate Agreement, capitalized terms shall have the same meanings as set forth in the Privacy Rule, as may be amended from time to time.
- 2. Scope of Use and Disclosure by Consultant of County Disclosed PHI
  - A. Consultant shall be permitted to use PHI disclosed to it by the County:
    - (1) on behalf of the County, or to provide services to the County for the purposes contained herein, if such use or disclosure would not violate the Privacy Rule if done by the County, or the minimum necessary policies and procedures of the County
    - as necessary to perform any and all of its obligations under the Underlying Agreement.
  - B. Unless otherwise limited herein, in addition to any other uses and/or disclosures permitted or authorized by this Business Associate Agreement or Required by Law, Consultant may:
    - use the PHI in its possession for its proper management and administration and to fulfill any legal obligations.
    - (2) disclose the PHI in its possession to a third party for the purpose of Consultant's proper management and administration or to fulfill any

legal responsibilities of Consultant. Consultant may disclose PHI as necessary for Consultant's operations only if:

- (a) The disclosure is Required by Law; or
- (b) Consultant obtains written assurances from any person or organization to which Consultant will disclose such PHI that the person or organization will:
  - (i) hold such PHI in confidence and use or further disclose it only for the purpose of which Consultant disclosed it to the third party, or as Required by Law; and,
  - (ii) the third party will notify Consultant of any instances of which it becomes aware in which the confidentiality of the information has been breached.
- (3) aggregate the PIII and/or aggregate the PHI with that of other data for the purpose of providing County with data analyses related to the Underlying Agreement, or any other purpose, financial or otherwise, as requested by County.
- (4) not disclose PHI disclosed to Consultant by County not authorized by the Underlying Agreement or this Business Associate Agreement without patient authorization or de-identification of the PHI as authorized in writing by County.
- (5) de-identify any and all PHI of County received by Consultant under this Business Associate Agreement provided that the de-identification conforms to the requirements of the Privacy Rule, 45 CFR and does not preclude timely payment and/or claims processing and receipt.
- C. Consultant agrees that it will neither use nor disclose PHI it receives from County, or from another business associate of County, except as permitted or required by this Business Associate Agreement, or as Required by Law, or as otherwise permitted by law.
- Obligations of Consultant. In connection with its use of PHI disclosed by County to Consultant, Consultant agrees to:
  - A. Use or disclose PHI only as permitted or required by this Business Associate Agreement or as Required by Law.
  - B. Use reasonable and appropriate safeguards to prevent use or disclosure of PHI other than as provided for by this Business Associate Agreement.
  - C. To the extent practicable, mitigate any harmful effect that is known to Consultant of a use or disclosure of PHI by Consultant in violation of this Business Associate Agreement.
  - D. Report to County any use or disclosure of PHI not provided for by this Business Associate Agreement of which Consultant becomes aware.
  - E. Require sub-Consultants or agents to whom Consultant provides PHI to agree to the same restrictions and conditions that apply to Consultant pursuant to this Business Associate Agreement.
  - F. Use appropriate administrative, technical and physical safeguards to prevent inappropriate use or disclosure of PHI created or received for or from the County.

- G. Implement administrative, physical, and technical safeguards that reasonably and appropriately protect the confidentiality, integrity, and availability of the electronic PHI that it creates, receives, maintains, or transmits on behalf of the County and to follow generally accepted system security principles as required in final rule 45 CFR Parts 160-164.
- H. Consultant will report any security incident of which it becomes aware to the County. Security incident means the attempted or successful unauthorized access, use, disclosure, modification, or destruction of information or interference with system operations. This does not include trivial incidents that occur on a daily basis, such as scans or "pings".
- Obtain and maintain knowledge of the applicable laws and regulations related to HIPAA, as may be amended from time to time.
- J. May use PHI to report violations of law to appropriate Federal and State Authorities, consistent with § 164.502(j) (1).

## 4. PHI Access, Amendment and Disclosure Accounting. Consultant agrees to:

- Provide access, at the request of County, within five (5) days, to PHI in a
  Designated Record Set, to the County, or to an Individual as directed by the
  County.
- B. To make any amendment(s) to PHI in a Designated Record Set that the County directs or agrees to at the request of County or an Individual within sixty (60) days of the request of County.
- C. To assist the County in meeting its disclosure accounting under HIPAA:
  - Consultant agrees to document such disclosures of PHI and information related to such disclosures as would be required for the County to respond to a request by an Individual for an accounting of disclosures of PHI.
  - (2) Consultant agrees to provide to County or an Individual, within sixty (60) days, information collected in accordance with this section to permit the County to respond to a request by an Individual for an accounting of disclosures of PHI.
  - (3) Consultant shall have available for the County the information required by this section for the six (6) years preceding the County's request for information (except the Consultant need have no information for disclosures occurring before April 14, 2003).
- D. Make available to the County, or to the Secretary of Health and Human Services, Consultant's internal practices, books and records relating to the use of and disclosure of PHI for purposes of determining Consultant's compliance with the Privacy Rule, subject to any applicable legal restrictions.
- E. Within thirty (30) days of receiving a written request from County, make available any and all information necessary for County to make an accounting of disclosures of County PHI by Consultant.
- F. Within sixty (60) days of receiving a written request from County, incorporate any amendments or corrections to the PHI in accordance with the Privacy Rule in the event that the PHI in Consultant's possession constitutes a Designated Record Set.

G. Not make any disclosure of PHI that County would be prohibited from making.

## Obligations of County.

- A. County agrees that it will make its best efforts to promptly notify Consultant in writing of any restrictions on the use and disclosure of PHI agreed to by County that may affect Consultant's ability to perform its obligations under the Underlying Agreement, or this Business Associate Agreement.
- B. County agrees that it will make its best efforts to promptly notify Consultant in writing of any changes in, or revocation of, permission by any Individual to use or disclose PIII, if such changes or revocation may affect Consultant's ability to perform its obligations under the Underlying Agreement, or this Business Associate Agreement.
- C. County agrees that it make its best efforts to promptly notify Consultant in writing of any known limitation(s) in its notice of privacy practices to the extent that such limitation may affect Consultant's use of disclosure of PHI.
- D. County shall not request Consultant to use or disclose PHI in any manner that would not be permissible under the Privacy Rule if done by County, except as may be expressly permitted by the Privacy Rule.
- E. County will obtain any authorizations necessary for the use or disclosure of PHI, so that Consultant can perform its obligations under this Business Associate Agreement and/or the Underlying Agreement.

## 6. Term and Termination.

- A. Term this Business Associate Agreement shall commence upon the Effective Date and terminate upon the termination of the Underlying Agreement, as provided therein when all PHI provided by the County to Consultant, or created or received by Consultant on behalf of the County, is destroyed or returned to the County, or, or if it is infeasible to return or destroy PHI, protections are extended to such information, in accordance with the termination provisions in this Section.
- B. Termination for Cause. Upon the County's knowledge of a material breach by the Consultant, the County shall either:
  - (1) Provide an opportunity for the Consultant to cure the breach or end the violation and terminate this Agreement if the Consultant does not cure the breach or end the violation within the time specified by the County.
  - (2) Immediately terminate this Agreement if the Consultant has breached a material term of this Agreement and cure is not possible; or
  - (3) If neither termination nor cures are feasible, the County shall report the violation to the Secretary.

## C. Effect of Termination.

(1) Except as provided in paragraph (2) of this section, upon termination of this Agreement, for any reason, the Consultant shall return or destroy all PHI received from the County, created or received by the Consultant on behalf of the County. This provision shall apply to PHI that is in the possession of subcontractors or agents of the Consultant. Consultant shall retain no copies of the PIII.

(2) In the event that the Consultant determines that returning or destroying the PHI is infeasible, Consultant shall provide to the County notification of the conditions that make return or destruction infeasible. Upon {negotiated terms} that return or destruction of PHI is infeasible, Consultant shall extend the protections of this Agreement to such PHI and limit further uses and disclosures of such PHI to those purposes that make the return or destruction infeasible, for so long as the Consultant maintains such PHI.

## HIPAA Business Associate Indemnity

Consultant shall indemnify and hold harmless all Agencies, Districts, Special Districts and Departments of the County, their respective directors, officers, Board of Supervisors, elected and appointed officials, employees, agents and representatives from any liability whatsoever, based or asserted upon any services of Consultant, its officers, employees, subContractors, agents or representatives arising out of or in any way relating to this Business Associate Agreement, including but not limited to property damage, bodily injury, or death or any other element of any kind or nature whatsoever including fines, penalties or any other costs and resulting from any reason whatsoever arising from the performance of Consultant, its officers, agents, employees, subContractors, agents or representatives from this Business Associate Agreement. Consultant shall defend, at its sole expense, all costs and fees including but not limited to attorney fees, cost of investigation, defense and settlements or awards all Agencies, Districts, Special Districts and Departments of the County, their respective directors, officers, Board of Supervisors, elected and appointed officials, employees, agents and representatives in any claim or action based upon such alleged acts or omissions.

With respect to any action or claim subject to indemnification herein by Consultant, Consultant shall, at their sole cost, have the right to use counsel of their choice, subject to the approval of County, which shall not be unreasonably withheld, and shall have the right to adjust, settle, or compromise any such action or claim without the prior consent of County; provided, however, that any such adjustment, settlement or compromise in no manner whatsoever limits or circumscribes Consultant's indemnification to County as set forth herein. Consultant's obligation to defend, indemnify and hold harmless County shall be subject to County having given Consultant written notice within a reasonable period of time of the claim or of the commencement of the related action, as the case may be, and information and reasonable assistance, at Consultant's expense, for the defense or settlement thereof. Consultant's obligation hereunder shall be satisfied when Consultant has provided to County the appropriate form of dismissal relieving County from any liability for the action or claim involved.

The specified insurance limits required in the Underlying Agreement of this Business Associate Agreement shall in no way limit or circumscribe Consultant's obligations to indemnify and hold harmless the County herein from third party claims arising from the issues of this Business Associate Agreement.

In the event there is conflict between this clause and California Civil Code Section 2782, this clause shall be interpreted to comply with Civil Code 2782. Such

interpretation shall not relieve the Consultant from indemnifying the County to the fullest extent allowed by law.

In the event there is a conflict between this indemnification clause and an indemnification clause contained in the Underlying Agreement of this Business Associate Agreement, this indemnification shall only apply to the subject issues included within this Business Associate Agreement.

- Amendment the parties agree to take such action as is necessary to amend this Business Associate Agreement from time to time as is necessary for County to comply with the Privacy Rule, 45 CFR, and HIPAA generally.
- Survival the respective rights and obligations of this Business Associate Agreement shall survive the termination or expiration of this Business Associate Agreement.
- Regulatory References a reference in this Business Associate Agreement to a section in the Privacy Rule means the section as in effect or as amended.
- 11. <u>Conflicts</u> any ambiguity in this Business Associate Agreement and the Underlying Agreement shall be resolved to permit County to comply with the Privacy Rule, 45 CFR, and HIPAA generally.

Dated: _	5-8-09	Dated:	5 5 09
Signed:	Welliam J. Gilles, M.D. "Consultant"	Signed:_	Jeff Neves Sheriff