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Board of Supervisors
County of El Dorado

Honorable Board:

SUBJECT: Discharge of responsibility for county debt pursuant to Government Code sections 25257-25259.

RECOMMENDATION: Authorize the discharge of responsibility for collection of the debts on the Discharge of Accountability Report owed to El Dorado County. Such discharge from accountability does not constitute a release of any person from liability for payment of any amount.

REASON FOR RECOMMENDATION: County Counsel performs legal services on behalf of the Public Guardian and their conservatees. The Department is reimbursed for services rendered by order of the Court. In the instance that a conservatee is unable to pay, usually due to death and the lack of funds, Public Guardian informs County Counsel of the inability to pay and requests that County Counsel write off the court ordered debt. This item is being brought before the Board of Supervisors pursuant to Government Code Sections 25257-25259, ..."the likelihood of collection does not warrant the expense involved".... Names of debtors are being withheld due to confidentiality restrictions.

FISCAL IMPACT: None. A percentage of uncollectible Conservatee debt is factored into the County Counsel projected revenue budget.

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ACTION TO BE TAKEN FOLLOWING APPROVAL: The Board of Supervisors order the department discharged from further accountability.

Very truly yours,

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