Facility Number: #09-E1

Facility Name: Johnson Building

Address: 1354 Johnson Boulevard, South Lake Tahoe, CA

# TRANSFER AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE JUDICIAL COUNCIL OF CALIFORNIA, ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS, AND THE COUNTY OF EL DORADO FOR THE TRANSFER OF RESPONSIBILITY FOR COURT FACILITY

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#### TRANSFER AGREEMENT

#### 1. PURPOSE

The Judicial Council of California ("Council"), Administrative Office of the Courts (together, the "AOC"), and the County of El Dorado ("County"), set forth the terms and conditions for the transfer of responsibility for funding and operation of the trial court facility commonly known as the Johnson Building.

#### 2. BACKGROUND

The Lockyer-Isenberg Trial Court Funding Act of 1997, AB 233 (Escutia and Pringle) provides for transfer of the primary obligation for funding of court operations from the counties to the State. The restructuring of funding for trial court operations accomplished by the Lockyer-Isenberg Trial Court Funding Act of 1997 ended a dual system of county and state funding of, and created a more stable and consistent funding source for, trial court operations. The Trial Court Facilities Act of 2002 was adopted to provide for the transfer of responsibility for funding and operation of trial court facilities from the counties to the AOC. The Parties enter into this Agreement to implement the provisions of the Act as it exists on the Effective Date.

#### 3. **DEFINITIONS**

"**Act**" means the Trial Court Facilities Act of 2002 (including Government Code sections 70301-70404) as of the Effective Date.

"Agreement" means this Transfer Agreement, together with the attached Exhibits.

"AOC Authorized Signatory" means the AOC's Senior Manager, Business Services, Grant Walker.

"Building" means the building on the Land that is occupied by the Court Facility and adjoins separate buildings occupied by the City of South Lake Tahoe Police Department and the El Dorado County Jail Facility (the "Jail Facility"), as depicted in Exhibit "B" attached to this Agreement. "Building" includes all structures and improvements that are connected or related to the Court Facility as distinct from those connected or related to the adjoining buildings, and all Building Equipment.

"Building Equipment" means all installed equipment and systems that serve the Building, and the Building Software.

**"Building Software"** means any software program that is licensed to the County for the Operation of any part of the Building.

- "Closing" means completion of all steps required to complete the Transfer under this Agreement and the Act.
- "Closing Date" means the date on which the Transfer of Responsibility will take place, which is the Effective Date.
- "Closing Documents" means the documents listed in section 5.1 of this Agreement.
  - "Controller" means the State Controller.
- "County Authorizing Document" means a certified copy of a resolution evidencing that the County has taken all steps and obtained all approvals required to: (1) authorize the County Authorized Signatory to execute this Agreement and the Closing Documents on behalf of the County; and (2) authorize the County to perform its obligations under this Agreement and the Closing Documents.
- "County Authorized Signatory" means the Chair of the County's Board of Supervisors.
- "County Facilities Payment" means the payments the County must make to the Controller with respect to the Court Facility under Article 5 of the Act.
  - "County Parties" means the County and its officers, agents, and employees.
  - "Court" means the Superior Court of California for the County of El Dorado.
- "Court Facility" means the 22,974 square foot trial court facility commonly known as the Johnson Building courthouse, located at 1354 Johnson Boulevard, South Lake Tahoe, California 96150, which adjoins buildings occupied by the City of South Lake Tahoe Police Department and the Jail Facility as depicted on Exhibit "B" attached to this Agreement. The Court Facility is occupied entirely by the court and its staff and employees, and includes all spaces, fixtures, and appurtenances described in section 70301(d) of the Act, including the Court Parking, four rooms for holding superior court, four chambers for judges of the Court, one walk-up window, rooms for attendants of the Court, three rooms for court reporters, and certain other areas required or used for Court functions, together with the non-exclusive right to enter, exit, pass over, and pass through the Land as necessary to access the Court Facility. A copy of a site plan depicting the location of the Court Facility on the Land and a floor plan depicting the layout of the Court Facility are attached as Exhibit "B" to this Agreement.
- "Court Parking" means a total of 145 surface parking spaces on the Land, of which (i) two are covered spaces reserved for judges of the Court, (ii) three are reserved for Court staff and employees, (iii) two are designated for use by vehicles displaying a

valid "disabled person" license or placard, and (iv) the remainder are available for use by judges, Court staff and employees, and jurors on a first come, first served basis with the County, as shown on the parking plan attached as **Exhibit "C,"** which the County and the Court have agreed is parking of the same number, type, and convenience as made available for users of the Court on October 1, 2001 pursuant to section 70330 of the Act.

"Deficiency" means any condition of, damage to, or defect in the Court Facility that: (1) significantly threatens the life, health, or safety of persons occupying or visiting the Court Facility, (2) unreasonably interferes with, disrupts, or prevents the Court's occupancy or use of the Court Facility, or its ability to conduct its business operations in the Court Facility, in an orderly, neat, clean, safe, and functional environment, (3) threatens the security of the employees, guests, invitees, or patrons of the Court, (4) threatens to diminish the value of the Court Facility, or threatens to damage or destroy the business personal property of the Court located in the Court Facility, (5) threatens the preservation of the Court's files, records, and documents located in the Court Facility, or (6) causes or exacerbates an unsafe, unsanitary, unlawful, or non-functional condition affecting the Court Facility.

"**Dispute**" means each and every pending or threatened claim, liability, litigation, arbitration, mediation, administrative proceeding, settlement negotiation, or other dispute-resolution proceeding related to the Property. An accurate and complete list of all Disputes as of the Effective Date is set forth in **Exhibit "D"**.

"Effective Date" means the date on which this Agreement and the Closing Documents are signed by the last of the Parties to sign.

**"Environmental Law"** means federal, state, or local laws, ordinances, regulations, rules, statutes, and administrative actions or orders respecting hazardous or toxic substances, waste, or materials.

"Hazardous Substance" means any material or substance regulated under any Environmental Law.

"Intangible Personal Property" means all of the County's: (1) agreements or arrangements for the operation of the systems or equipment in or exclusively serving the Court Facility; (2) warranties, permits, licenses, certificates, guaranties, and suretyship agreements and arrangements, and indemnification rights in favor of the County to the extent related to the Court Facility; (3) commitments, deposits, and rights for Utilities to the extent related to the Court Facility; (4) engineering, accounting, title, and other technical or business data concerning the Court Facility or the Tangible Personal Property; (5) deposits, deposit accounts, and escrow accounts arising from or related to any transactions to the extent related to the Court Facility or the Tangible Personal Property, and rights to receive refunds or rebates of impact fees, assessments, charges,

premiums, or other payments made by the County to the extent that these refunds or rebates relate to the Court Facility and the period on or after the Closing Date; or (6) all other intangible rights, interests, and claims of the County which are a part of and to the extent related to the Court Facility or the Tangible Personal Property.

"Land" means the real property described on Exhibit "A."

"Law" means State and federal codes, ordinances, laws, regulations, the California Rules of Court, and judicial and administrative orders and directives, to the extent binding on the County and issued by a court or governmental entity with jurisdiction over the County.

"Material Agreements" means any and all agreements, contracts, or understandings (whether written or unwritten) relating to the Property (1) for which termination requires advance notice by a period exceeding 30 calendar days, or (2) that obligate the County to make payment, or entitle the County to receive payment, exceeding \$25,000 within any fiscal year.

"Memorandum" means the document titled Memorandum of Understanding that is similar in form and content to the document attached to this Agreement as **Exhibit "G,"** and which provides for the delegation from the AOC to the County of the responsibility for certain Operations (other than custodial services) of the Court Facility after the Transfer.

"Occupancy Agreement" means any agreement or arrangement between a Party and a third party that entitles a third party other than a County Party or a State Party to occupy or use the Court Facility for a period that continues after the Closing Date, and that cannot be terminated on 30 or fewer days notice.

"Operation" means the administration, management, maintenance, and repair of the Court Facility, and includes custodial services.

"Party" means either of the AOC or the County, and "Parties" means the AOC and the County.

"**Pending Projects**" means any pending maintenance project or other project involving the Court Facility under sections 70326(d) or 70331(c) of the Act.

"Personal Property" means the Assigned Intangible Personal Property, if any, together with the Tangible Personal Property.

"**Property**" means all right and interest in and to the Building and the Personal Property.

"Property Disclosure Documents" means all documents including Material Agreements that pertain to the title, ownership, use, occupancy, or condition of the Property or any rights, benefits, liabilities, obligations, or risks associated with the Property. A list of the categories of Property Disclosure Documents is attached as **Exhibit "E"**.

"Security Services MOU" means the Memorandum of Understanding Between the El Dorado County Superior Court and the El Dorado County Sheriff's Department for FY 2007-2008 dated February 27, 2008, as amended from time to time, or a successor memorandum executed by the El Dorado County Superior Court and the El Dorado County Sheriff's Department.

"Service Contracts" means all contracts between the County and any third parties under which goods or services are provided to the Court Facility, excluding Utilities, which are governed by section 4.3.1 of this Agreement

"State" means the State of California.

"State Parties" means the Council, the Administrative Office of the Courts, and the Court, their respective officers, agents, and employees.

"Tangible Personal Property" means any unaffixed item that is, on the Closing Date, owned by the County and located on or in, and used in or necessary to the use, occupancy, or Operation of the Court Facility.

"Telecommunications MOU" means the Memorandum of Agreement between the County and the Court dated June 15, 2004, as amended, renewed or replaced from time to time.

"Transfer of Responsibility" or "Transfer" means the County's full and final grant, transfer, absolute assignment, and conveyance to the applicable State Parties, and the State Parties' full and final acceptance and assumption of, entitlement to, and responsibility for, all of the County's rights, duties, and liabilities arising from or related to the Court Facility under this Agreement and the Act, except for those duties and liabilities expressly retained by the County under this Agreement and the Act, and Disputes that commenced, or are directly attributable to, claims that occurred or accrued before the Closing Date, whether or not any such Disputes and related claims have been filed as of the Closing Date.

**"Transition"** means the transition from the County to the AOC of the responsibility for Operation of the Court Facility, as described in section 6.1.

"Transition Date" means the latter to occur of (1) January 2, 2009, or (2) the first of the month following the date on which the County Facilities Payment has been

approved by the State Department of Finance, as more specifically provided in section 6.1.1, below.

"Utilities" means all of the utilities provided to the Court Facility, except for telecommunications services provided by third parties.

#### 4. RESPONSIBILITIES AFTER TRANSFER

- 4.1 <u>Transfer of Responsibility</u>. On the Closing Date, the Transfer of Responsibility for the Court Facility from the County to the AOC will occur under this Agreement and the Closing Documents.
- 4.2 <u>General Responsibilities After Transfer</u>. Upon the completion of the Transfer, the Parties will have the general rights, duties, and liabilities set forth in the Act in respect of the Property, except as expressly delegated by the Parties in this Agreement, the Closing Documents (including the Memorandum), or any other agreement.
- 4.3 <u>Specific Responsibilities After Transfer</u>. The Parties will have the following specific rights, duties, and liabilities upon and after the Transfer:
- Utilities. At all times on and after the Closing Date, the County is 4.3.1 responsible to provide all required natural gas to the Court Facility and the County shall make all direct payments owed to third parties in connection therewith, subject to the AOC's obligation to reimburse the County for a portion of such payments on the terms set forth in section 6.3 of this Agreement. For all Utilities other than natural gas, the following terms shall apply: (i) if not completed before the Transition Date, the Parties will work together, diligently, and in good faith, to cause the County's accounts with all providers of Utilities to be assigned to and assumed by the AOC as of the Transition Date; (ii) if any Utilities accounts cannot be assigned to the AOC, the Parties will work together to cause the County's Utilities accounts to be closed as of the Transition Date and new Utilities accounts to be opened in the name of the AOC; (iii) the County is solely responsible for all Utilities costs and expenses incurred prior to the Transition Date, and the AOC or the Court will be responsible for all Utilities costs and expenses incurred on and after the Transition Date; (iv) the County will send to the AOC all invoices and other communications related to accounts for Utilities provided to the Court Facility after the Transition Date, and the AOC will be responsible to cause payment of these invoices; and (v) the County will promptly reimburse the AOC for any Utilities cost for which the County is responsible.
- 4.3.2 <u>Property Insurance and Risk Allocation</u>. The County will have no further obligation to maintain property insurance coverage for the Building, except that the County will continue to be solely (i) liable for seismic-related damage and injury under the Act, as set forth in section 4.3.13, and may elect to obtain insurance in

connection therewith, and (ii) responsible to insure the Excluded Tangible Personal Property, if any.

- 4.3.3 <u>Responsibility for Operation</u>. Under this Agreement, except as otherwise provided in section 6.1 of this Agreement, the AOC is responsible for Operation of the Building.
- 4.3.4 <u>Parking</u>. The County will at all times provide, at the County's sole expense, the Court Parking to the AOC, for use by the Court and people attending to business and personal affairs in the Court Facility. The County will remain solely responsible for the Operation of the Court Parking.
- 4.3.5 <u>Security-Related Areas</u>. The County Sheriff's Department will remain liable and responsible for the secure entry, exit, transport, and holding of prisoners attending Court sessions under the Security Services MOU. This Agreement does not supersede, replace, or modify any other agreement between the County and the Court with respect to security staffing for the Property including the Security Services MOU.
- 4.3.6 <u>Telephone Services</u>. Under this Agreement, the County will continue to offer telephone services to the State Parties, for the benefit of the Court, in the Court Facility on the costs, terms, and conditions set forth in the Telecommunications MOU dated June 15, 2004.
- 4.3.7 <u>Service Contracts</u>. The County will terminate all services to the Building under any Service Contracts except those services that may be requested by the AOC pursuant to the Memorandum. The County is solely responsible for all fees and charges incurred under the Service Contracts prior to the Transition Date. For services performed under the Service Contracts requested by the AOC pursuant to the Memorandum, (i) the AOC or the Court will be responsible for all related fees and charges incurred on or after the Transition Date, (ii) the County will send to the AOC all related invoices and other communications, and (iii) the AOC will be responsible to cause payment for these services in accordance with the Memorandum.
- 4.3.8 <u>Correspondence</u>. The County will direct all correspondence, invoices, and information related to Operation of the Court Facility for the period on and after the Transition Date to the AOC's Office of Court Construction and Management pursuant to section 12 of this Agreement.
- 4.3.9 <u>County Facilities Payments</u>. The County will make all County Facilities Payments in accordance with the Act and section 6 of this Agreement.
- 4.3.10 <u>Personal Property</u>. If either Party determines that there exists any Tangible Personal Property or Intangible Personal Property not previously transferred or assigned to the AOC, that Party will promptly provide to the other Party a notice that

includes a reasonably-detailed, written description of that property. At the AOC's request, the County will transfer, convey, or assign to the AOC any or all of the Tangible Personal Property or Intangible Personal Property described in that notice; provided that if the County desires to exclude certain property in that notice from the transfer and the failure to originally identify such property as Excluded Tangible Personal Property was inadvertent, then either Party may request that the Parties meet to determine whether such property should be transferred to the AOC and if the Parties do not agree, the Parties shall resolve their dispute in accordance with section 11 of this Agreement.

- 4.3.11 <u>Adjustments</u>. The Parties will make the appropriate adjustments for prorations or computations required by this Agreement or the Closing Documents as promptly as possible once accurate information becomes available evidencing that either Party is entitled to an adjustment. Any prorations will be based on a 365-day fiscal year. The Party entitled to the adjustment must make written demand on the other Party for the adjustment within one year after the Transition Date and provide a reasonably-detailed explanation of the basis for the demand and all supporting documentation. The Parties will promptly pay each other any corrected proration or adjustment amounts.
- 4.3.12 <u>Relief from Section 70311 Obligations</u>. Effective upon the Transfer, the AOC confirms and agrees that the County will be and is relieved of any responsibility under section 70311 of the Act for providing to the Court those necessary and suitable court facilities currently located in the Building, except as otherwise specifically provided in this Agreement and the Act.

#### 4.3.13 Liability for Seismic-Related Damage and Injury.

- 4.3.13.1 <u>Application of Section 70324 of the Act</u>. The Parties acknowledge that the AOC has assigned the Building a Level V seismic rating as defined in section 70301 (h) of the Act. Therefore, section 70324 of the Act applies to the Transfer of Responsibility, and section 70324 of the Act will continue to apply until any one of the events described in section 70324(b)(1) through (4) of the Act has occurred notwithstanding any subsequent repeal of section 70324 of the Act.
- 4.3.13.2 <u>Allocation of Liability and Obligations</u>. The liabilities and obligations of the Parties (including any indemnification obligations) with respect to any seismic-related damage and injury on or to the Property shall be as set forth in section 70324 of the Act which, for the convenience of the Parties, is attached as **Exhibit "H"** and incorporated into this Agreement. At all times that section 70324 of the Act applies in respect of the Building, the terms of section 70324 of the Act and this section 4.3.13 will prevail over any conflicting provisions of the Act, this Agreement, or the Closing Documents. As provided in section 70324(d) of the Act, in no event will section 70324 of the Act be deemed to impose greater liability on the County for seismic-

related damage to third parties than the County would have if the Transfer had not occurred.

- 4.3.13.3 <u>Termination of this Section and Related Indemnities</u>. When section 70324 of the Act no longer applies in respect of the Property, this section 4.3.13 will immediately and automatically expire and be of no further force or effect with respect to any subsequent seismic-related damage or injury in respect of the Property. Thereafter, the other terms of this Agreement and the Closing Documents, or any agreement entered into under section 70324(a)(4) of the Act and approved by the Director of Finance, if <u>applicable</u>, will apply to allocation of liability for seismic-related damage or injury on or to the Property.
- 4.3.14 <u>No Material Changes</u>. Both Parties agree not to: (1) transfer, agree to transfer, or enter into any agreement affecting, any right or interest in the Building, to or with any third party except as permitted under the terms of this Agreement; or (2) act in any way that would result in the Court Facility being subject to a Deficiency. The County agrees not to do anything that would result in a change to the zoning or entitlements for use of the Building as a court facility as defined in the Act.

#### 5. CLOSING AND TRANSITION

- 5.1 <u>The Closing Date</u>. The Closing will occur on the Effective Date. The Closing Date will not be affected by the date of delivery of the signed originals of this Agreement or the Closing Documents.
  - 5.1.1 <u>Closing Documents</u>. The Closing Documents are as follows:
    - (a) the County Authorizing Document.
- 5.2 <u>Conditions for Transition</u>. Neither Party will be obligated to consummate the Transition unless the following conditions are satisfied or waived prior to the Transition Date. The conditions for the benefit of the County may only be waived by the County, and the conditions for the benefit of the AOC may only be waived by the AOC.
- 5.2.1 <u>Conditions for the Benefit of the AOC</u>. All of the County's representations and warranties in this Agreement must be accurate and complete in all material respects as though made on the Transition Date; the County must not have breached any of the County's representations, warranties, or covenants in this Agreement; there must be no County Event of Default under this Agreement nor any circumstance which, but for the passage of time or the giving of notice or both, would constitute a County Event of Default as of the Transition Date; the State Department of Finance must have approved the County Facilities Payment as provided in section 6.1.1 of this Agreement; and the Parties shall have executed the Memorandum and any other

documents required by Law, or reasonably requested by the State Parties or the County, to complete the Transfer.

- 5.2.2 <u>Conditions for the Benefit of the County</u>. All of the AOC's representations and warranties in this Agreement must be accurate and complete in all material respects as though made on the Transition Date; the AOC must not have breached any of the AOC's representations, warranties, or covenants in this Agreement; there must be no AOC Event of Default under this Agreement nor any circumstance which, but for the passage of time or the giving of notice or both, would constitute an AOC Event of Default as of the Transition Date; the State Department of Finance must have approved the County Facilities Payment as provided in section 6.1.1 of this Agreement; and the Parties shall have executed the Memorandum and any other documents required by Law, or reasonably requested by the State Parties or the County, to complete the Transfer.
- 5.3 <u>Delivery of Signed Agreement and Closing Documents</u>. The last Party to sign this Agreement and the Closing Documents must deliver, within three business days after signing, (i) to the County, one signed original of this Agreement and the Closing Documents, and (ii) to the AOC, all remaining signed originals of this Agreement and the Closing Documents.
- 5.4 <u>Delivery of Possession</u>. On the Closing Date, the County will deliver to the AOC custody and control over the Court Facility.

#### 6. COUNTY FACILITIES PAYMENT

- Amount of County Facilities Payment. The amount of the County Facilities Payment submitted to the State Department of Finance is \$121,592, subject to adjustment under section 70362 of the Act. This amount is based on a Closing Date occurring in the same fiscal quarter as the Effective Date. The Parties have established a schedule for the Transition to occur during the period from the Closing Date through the Transition Date. Until the Transition Date, the County will continue to perform the Operation of the Court Facility at no cost to the AOC. The County's responsibility for the County Facilities Payment commences on the Closing Date; provided, however, that in consideration of the above-described services provided by the County to the AOC, the County will have no obligation, at any time, to make any payments of the County Facilities Payment to the Controller for the period from the Closing Date through the Transition Date, and the County shall make its first payment of the County Facilities Payment on the day after the Transition Date.
- 6.1.1 <u>State Department of Finance Approval</u>. If the State Department of Finance does not approve the County Facilities Payment in an amount equal to or less than the annual amount set forth in section 6.1 of this Agreement, the Parties will

promptly meet and confer to determine how to proceed in respect of this Agreement and the Transition, and the Transition Date will not occur unless and until the County Facilities Payment has been approved by the State Department of Finance in an amount that (a) is either equal to or less than the amount set forth in section 6.1, above, or (b) has been approved in writing by both the AOC and the County. If the County Facilities Payment has not been approved by the State Department of Finance in accordance with (a) or (b) of this section 6.1.1 by 180 days after the Effective Date, either Party may cancel and terminate this Agreement upon 10 days prior notice to the other Party; provided that, if the State Department of Finance's approval of the County Facilities Payment is received in accordance with (a) or (b) of this section 6.1.1 during the 10 day period, any termination notice will be of no force or effect.

- 6.2 <u>County Facilities Payment Obligation</u>. From and after the Transition Date, the County will pay the County Facilities Payment to the Controller every fiscal quarter under Article 5 of the Act and section 6 of this Agreement. Unless the Transition Date is on the first day of a fiscal quarter, the first installment of the County Facilities Payment will be prorated under section 4.3.11 for the period from the Transition Date to and including the last day of the fiscal quarter in which the Transition Date occurs, subject to adjustment under section 70362 of the Act.
- Allocation of Natural Gas Costs. The Parties acknowledge that the natural gas meters that serve the Court Facility also serve the County-owned Jail Facility. The County Facilities Payment includes, among other things, amounts for the cost and expense of providing natural gas to the Court Facility. Therefore, the Parties hereby agree that, on and after the Transition Date, the AOC shall be responsible to pay 8.16% of the cost of the natural gas provided by the County to the Court Facility and the Jail Facility. The Parties have jointly determined the foregoing cost allocation based on the total annual productive operating hours of their respective facilities that use natural gas as measured by the shared meters, including an adjustment to take into account the 24 hour per day, seven day per week operation of the Jail Facility. The AOC shall have the right to audit, at the AOC's sole expense, the amounts the County charges to the AOC for the natural gas provided to the Court Facility; provided that the AOC shall not be entitled to perform any such audit more frequently than one time in any 12-month period.
- 6.4 <u>Utilities Not Included in County Facilities Payment</u>. The Parties agree that after the Closing Date, no Utilities systems or accounts in respect of the Court Facility will be assigned or otherwise transferred to AOC responsibility except if the historical costs associated with such Utilities systems or accounts are included in the County Facilities Payment. The County Facilities Payment includes, among other things, amounts for the cost and expense of providing gas, water, sewer, trash removal, and electricity to the Court Facility. The terms of section 4.3.1 of this Agreement govern with respect to all Utilities for which the historical costs are included in the County Facilities Payment.

#### 7. REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES

Each Party makes the representations and warranties in this section 7 to the other Party effective on both the Effective Date and the Closing Date. Each Party will give written notice to the other within five business days of its discovery of any facts or circumstances that would render any information contained in that Party's representations and warranties in this Agreement or any Closing Document incomplete, untrue, or misleading, but if a Party makes that discovery within seven calendar days prior to the Closing Date, then that Party must immediately deliver written notice of the relevant information to the other Party, whereupon the Closing will be automatically delayed to allow the Party receiving that notice sufficient time to decide whether to proceed with the Closing.

- 7.1 <u>The County's Representations and Warranties</u>. The phrase "to the best of the County's knowledge" or words of similar import, means the County's actual knowledge, after reasonable independent investigation and inquiry.
- 7.1.1 <u>Good Standing</u>. The County is a political subdivision of the State duly organized and validly existing under the Law of the State.
- 7.1.2 <u>Authority</u>. The County Authorized Signatory has been duly authorized and empowered to sign this Agreement and the Closing Documents on behalf of the County, and the County has taken all steps and obtained all approvals required to authorize and empower the County to sign and perform this Agreement and the Closing Documents.
- 7.1.3 <u>Due Execution and Delivery</u>. This Agreement and the Closing Documents are legal, valid, and binding obligations of, and are fully enforceable against, the County.
- 7.1.4 No Conflict. This Agreement and the Closing Documents do not violate any provision of any agreement, obligation, or court order to which the County is a party or by which the County or any of its assets is subject or bound. Other than the approval of the County Facilities Payment by the State Department of Finance, no other action of any governmental agency or authority is required for, and the County has no actual knowledge of any Law in effect that would prohibit, the County's execution, delivery, or performance of its obligations under this Agreement or the Closing Documents.
- 7.1.5 <u>Exclusive Right to Occupy</u>. No person or entity other than the County has any interest in or right to occupy or use the Building; and the County has not granted, conveyed, or otherwise transferred to any person or entity any present or future right or interest in or to the Building.

- 7.1.6 <u>Title to Personal Property</u>. Except for any Excluded Tangible Personal Property, there is no Personal Property owned by the County Parties, and, except as provided in section 4.3.10, to the extent the County has any right, title, or interest in or to any Personal Property, effective as of the Closing Date, the County transfers, conveys, and quitclaims the same to the AOC.
- 7.1.7 <u>List of Service Contracts</u>. To the best of the County's knowledge, the list of Service Contracts attached to this Agreement as **Exhibit "F"** is a correct and complete list of all Service Contracts related to the Court Facility.
- 7.1.8 <u>No Disputes</u>. To the best of the County's knowledge, with the exception of any Disputes specifically listed in **Exhibit "E,"** there are no Disputes pertaining to the Property or the County's right and interest in and to the Property.
- 7.1.9 <u>No Vending Contracts</u>. To the best of the County's knowledge, the County has not caused any vending facilities, pay telephones or other concessions to be placed in the Building pursuant to any Occupancy Agreement between the County and a third party.
- 7.1.10 No Violations of Law. The County has no actual knowledge of, nor has the County received any written notice from any State, federal, or other governmental or quasi-governmental authority relating to: (1) any violation of Law, whether or not appearing in public records, with respect to the Court Facility, which violation has not been corrected to the satisfaction of the State, federal, or other governmental or quasi-governmental authority that issued the notice, or (2) any unrecorded restriction applicable to the Court Facility. To the best of County's knowledge, all, if any, security-related areas of the Court Facility are either in full compliance with Law, including the standards set forth in Titles 15 and 24 of the California Code of Regulations, or are exempt from compliance.
- 7.1.11 <u>Full and Complete Disclosure</u>. The County conducted a reasonable and diligent search of its records for, and provided to the AOC, all existing Property Disclosure Documents within the County's possession, custody, or control. The County maintains the Property Disclosure Documents in its ordinary course of business and has not intentionally altered any Property Disclosure Documents in any manner that renders them inaccurate, incomplete, or misleading.
- 7.1.12 <u>No Condemnation</u>. The County has not received a written notice of any pending modification of a street or highway contiguous to the Building, or any existing or proposed eminent domain proceeding that could result in a taking of any part of the Building.
- 7.1.13 <u>No Environmental Violations</u>. Except as set forth in the Property Disclosure Documents or in any environmental assessments or investigations of the

Building performed by the AOC, the County has no knowledge of the actual, threatened, or suspected presence of any Hazardous Substance, and there are no existing violations of Environmental Laws, in, on, under, adjacent to, or affecting the Building, except for any Hazardous Substance used or held in conformity with Environmental Laws.

- 7.1.14 <u>No Special Circumstances</u>. The County has not undertaken or commenced any Pending Projects in or around the Building, the Building is not subject to "bonded indebtedness" as defined in section 70301(a) of the Act, and the Building is not an "historical building" as defined in section 70301(f) of the Act.
- 7.1.15 <u>100% Court Occupancy</u>. The Court occupies the entirety of the Building.
- 7.2 <u>AOC's Representations and Warranties</u>. The phrase "to the best of the AOC's knowledge," or words of similar import, means the AOC's actual knowledge, after reasonable independent investigation and inquiry.
- 7.2.1 <u>Good Standing</u>. The Administrative Office of the Courts is the staff agency to the Council, an entity established by the Constitution of the State, validly existing under the Law of the State.
- 7.2.2 <u>Due Execution and Delivery</u>. This Agreement and the Closing Documents are legal, valid, and binding obligations of, and are fully enforceable against, the AOC.
- 7.2.3 No Conflict. This Agreement and the Closing Documents do not violate any provision of any agreement, obligation, or court order, to which the AOC is a party or by which the AOC or any of its property is subject or bound. Other than the approval of the County Facilities Payment by the State Department of Finance, no other action of any governmental agency or authority is required for, and the AOC has no actual knowledge of any Law in effect which would prohibit, the AOC's execution, delivery, or performance of its obligations under this Agreement or the Closing Documents.

#### 8. INDEMNITIES

- 8.1 <u>AOC's Indemnities</u>. Subject to section 8.3, below, the AOC indemnifies, defends, and holds harmless the County Parties (with counsel reasonably acceptable to the County) from and against all claims, demands, liability, damages, attorneys fees, costs, expenses, and losses (referred to in this section 8 as "Indemnified Loss") asserted against the County Parties arising from the matters described below in this section 8.1:
- 8.1.1 <u>AOC Breach</u>. Any breach by the AOC of its obligations set forth in this Agreement or the Closing Documents.

- 8.1.2 <u>Representations and Warranties</u>. Any breach of or inaccuracy in the AOC's representations and warranties contained in section 7.2 of this Agreement or in the Closing Documents.
- 8.2 <u>County's Indemnities</u>. Subject to section 8.3, below, the County indemnifies, defends, and holds harmless the State Parties (with counsel reasonably acceptable to the State Parties) against all Indemnified Loss asserted against the State Parties arising from the matters described below in this section 8.2:
- 8.2.1 <u>County Breach</u>. Any breach by a County Party of its obligations set forth in this Agreement or in the Closing Documents;
- 8.2.2 <u>Representations and Warranties</u>. Any breach of or inaccuracy in the County's representations and warranties contained in section 7.1 of this Agreement or in the Closing Documents;
- 8.2.3 <u>Pre-Closing Events</u>. Any event that occurred or Dispute that relates to events that occurred or claims that accrued in the period prior to the Closing Date, whether or not filed as of the Closing Date, to the extent that it results from, or is directly attributable to, the County's ownership, possession, Operation, or management of, or responsibility for, the Court Facility before the Closing Date; and
- 8.2.4 <u>CERCLA</u>. Under section 70393(d) of the Act, any liability imposed on the State Parties pursuant to the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980, as amended, (42 U.S.C. sections 9601 <u>et seq.</u>), or related provisions, for conditions that existed in, on, or under the Building at the time of the Closing whether or not known to the County.
- 8.3 <u>Indemnity Exclusions</u>. Neither Party is entitled to be indemnified, defended, or held harmless by the other Party under this Agreement or the Memorandum in respect of any event, circumstance, or condition to the extent that it arises from its own negligence or willful misconduct, nor from any property insurance claim for which the Party is responsible under this Agreement or the Memorandum. The obligations of a Party under section 8.1 or 8.2 of this Agreement, as applicable, will in no event release the other Party from, or diminish its obligation to fully and faithfully perform its duties under, this Agreement, the Closing Documents, or any other agreement.

#### 9. RIGHT TO AUDIT

The County will maintain all records relating to the County Facilities Payment due and owing from the County under the Act, according to the time limits contained in the instructions for calculation of the County Facilities Payment. The County will also maintain an accounting system, supporting fiscal records, and agreements related to the Property, including the Property Disclosure Documents, adequate to ensure that all

claims and disputes arising under this Agreement or the Closing Documents can be resolved in accordance with the requirements of this Agreement and the Act. The County will also maintain records relating to all receipts and expenditures from the local courthouse construction fund established under Government Code section 76100, which the AOC has the right to audit under section 70391(d)(2) of the Act. The AOC may audit or inspect these County records upon reasonable prior notice.

#### 10. DEFAULT NOTICE AND CURE

Upon a Party's breach or default of any provision of this Agreement, the non-defaulting Party will provide written notice to the defaulting Party of the breach or default ("Default Notice"). Upon receipt of the Default Notice, the defaulting Party will have 30 calendar days to cure the breach or default described in the Default Notice and to provide evidence of that cure to the non-defaulting Party. If the breach or default is not capable of cure within the 30 calendar day period, then no breach or default can be deemed to have occurred by reason of the failure to cure so long as the defaulting Party promptly begins and diligently and continuously performs the cure to completion within a reasonable time period, not to exceed 90 calendar days from commencement of the cure ("Cure Period"). If the defaulting Party does not provide evidence of the cure to the non-defaulting Party within the Cure Period, then the defaulting Party will be deemed to have committed an "Event of Default," and the non-defaulting Party will have the right, but not the obligation, to pursue its rights with respect to resolution of disputes under section 11 of this Agreement. The Parties may mutually agree to commence the dispute resolution procedures in section 11 of this Agreement before the end of the Cure Period.

#### 11. DISPUTE RESOLUTION

11.1 <u>Unassisted Negotiation; Mediation</u>. In the event of a dispute between the Parties relating to performance of the Parties' obligations under this Agreement, or any aspect of the Transfer transaction contemplated in this Agreement, the County Administrative Officer and an Assistant Director of the AOC's Office of Court Construction and Management, or their respective designees, will meet to discuss a resolution to the dispute. Any designee appointed must have the authority to negotiate for, and to effectively recommend settlement to, the Party that he or she represents. If the Parties are not able to resolve their dispute within 30 calendar days through that unassisted negotiation, they will attempt to resolve the dispute by mediation under this section 11.1. If the dispute concerns a matter within the jurisdiction of the Court Facilities Dispute Resolution Committee ("CFDRC"), established by section 70303 of the Act, the Parties must first mediate the dispute before either Party may commence a dispute resolution proceeding before the CFDRC.

11.1.1 <u>Initiation of Mediation</u>. Either or both of the Parties may request the initiation of mediation for any dispute described in section 11.1, whether or not the

dispute falls within the CFDRC's jurisdiction, by delivering a written request for mediation ("Mediation Request") to the other Party. The Mediation Request must (1) include a brief summary of the issues in dispute, (2) state the dates on which the requesting Party is unavailable to attend the mediation within the immediately-succeeding 90 calendar days after the delivery to the other Party of the Mediation Request, and (3) list at least three neutral mediators who are acceptable to the requesting Party for mediation of the dispute. Within five business days after the requesting Party's delivery of a Mediation Request to the other Party, the responding Party must deliver to the requesting Party a response to the Mediation Request ("Mediation Response"), which must: (a) include a brief summary of the issues in dispute (which may or may not be the same as the summary provided by the requesting Party); (b) state the dates on which the responding Party is unavailable to attend the mediation within the 85 calendar days immediately following the requesting Party's receipt of the Mediation Response; and (c) state whether any of the neutral mediators listed in the Mediation Request are acceptable to the responding Party and, if none are, then the Mediation Response must list at least three neutral mediators who are acceptable to the responding Party.

11.1.2 Selection of Mediator. Within 10 calendar days after delivery to the requesting Party of the Mediation Response, the Parties will attempt in good faith to agree upon a neutral mediator to preside over the mediation. If the Parties are not able to agree upon a neutral mediator within 10 calendar days after delivery to the requesting Party of the Mediation Response, the Parties must apply to the JAMS Government Dispute Resolution Group ("JAMS") for selection of a neutral mediator to mediate the dispute. The Parties' application to JAMS must be filed in accordance with the JAMS International Mediation Rules then in effect, and must include copies of the Mediation Request and Mediation Response. The mediator must be a person with a reasonable degree of experience and expertise in handling disputes involving governmental entities. The mediator must have no current or prior involvement with either Party in the negotiations between the Parties related to the Act or any of the court facility transfers provided for in the Act, and shall discharge his or her duties impartially and as a neutral, independent participant to the mediation process to assist the Parties to achieve a settlement and compromise of their dispute, taking into consideration the relevant facts, applicable Law and the pertinent provisions of any relevant agreement between the Parties. The selection of a mediator by JAMS will be final and binding on the Parties, and the Parties shall be equally responsible for the payment of all fees and costs charged by JAMS.

11.1.3 <u>Cost of Mediation</u>. The Parties will share equally in payment of all costs of the mediation, including the compensation of the mediator. The Parties and the mediator must reach a written agreement regarding the mediator's compensation and expenses before the mediation is commenced.

- 11.1.4 <u>Date, Time, and Place of Mediation</u>. In consultation with the Parties, the mediator will fix the date, time, and place of each mediation session. The mediation may be held at any convenient location agreeable to the Parties and the mediator. Mediation must be completed within 90 calendar days after the requesting Party's delivery to the responding Party of the Mediation Request.
- 11.1.5 Attendance at Mediation. Both Parties must attend the mediation session(s). The Parties may satisfy this attendance requirement by sending a representative familiar with the facts of the dispute, who has the authority to negotiate on behalf of, and to effectively recommend settlement to, the Party he or she represents. Any Party to the mediation may have the assistance of an attorney or other representative of its choice at its own cost. Other persons may attend the mediation sessions only with the consent of the Parties and the mediator.
- 11.1.6 <u>Statements Before Mediation</u>. The mediator will determine the manner in which the issues in dispute will be framed and addressed. The Parties should expect that the mediator will request a premediation statement outlining facts, issues, and positions of each Party ("**Premediation Statement**") in advance of the mediation session. At the discretion of the mediator, the Premediation Statements or other information may be mutually exchanged by the Parties.
- 11.1.7 <u>Confidentiality</u>. The mediation will be confidential in all respects, and the provisions of California Evidence Code sections 1152 and 1154 will apply to all written and verbal evidence presented in the mediation and to settlement communications made in the Premediation Statement, during the mediation itself, or otherwise in furtherance of or related to the mediation or the settlement of the dispute. The Premediation Statements shall be confidential, for settlement purposes only, and will not be admissible for any purpose other than for the mediation. Without limiting the foregoing, the provisions of California Evidence Code sections 1115 through 1128, inclusive, will apply in connection with any mediation under this Agreement.
- 11.2 <u>Referral to CFDRC</u>. After compliance with the terms of section 11.1 of this Agreement, any unresolved dispute involving any of the matters set forth in sections 70303(c)(1) through (5) of the Act will be referred to the CFDRC for hearing and recommendation to, and decision by, the Director of Finance, under the Act and the CFDRC Regulations.

#### 12. NOTICES

Any notice or communication required to be sent to a Party pursuant to this Agreement must be sent in writing by personal delivery (including overnight courier service), certified U.S. mail, postage pre-paid and with return receipt requested, or facsimile transmission, sent during regular business hours of the recipient to the Parties at

their addresses or fax numbers indicated below. Routine exchange of information may be conducted via telephone, facsimile, and/or electronic means, including e-mail.

#### If to the AOC:

Administrative Office of the Courts Attention: Assistant Director, Office of Court Construction and Management 455 Golden Gate Avenue San Francisco, CA 94102-3688

Voice: 415-865-4040 Fax: 415-865-8885

#### With a copy to:

Administrative Office of the Courts
Office of the General Counsel
Attention: Managing Attorney, Real Estate Unit
455 Golden Gate Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94102-3688
Voice: 415 865 4057

Voice: 415-865-4057 Fax: 415-865-8885

In addition, all audit requests and notices by the County relating to termination of this Agreement or alleged breach or default by the AOC of this Agreement or any other Closing Document must also be sent to:

Administrative Office of the Courts Attention: Senior Manager, Business Services 455 Golden Gate Avenue San Francisco, CA 94102-3688

Voice: 415-865-4090 Fax: 415-865-4326

E-mail: grant.walker@jud.ca.gov

#### If to the County:

County of El Dorado
Chief Administrative Office

Attention: Chief Administrative Officer

330 Fair Lane

Placerville, CA 95667 Voice: (530) 621-5567 Fax: (530) 626-5730

#### With a copy to:

County of El Dorado Office of the County Counsel Attention: County Counsel 330 Fair Lane Placerville, CA 95667

Voice: (530) 621-5770 Fax: (530) 621-2937

The County officer responsible for administering this Agreement and the Memorandum is the Chief Administrative Officer or their successor or designee.

A Party may change its address for notice under this Agreement by giving written notice to the other Party in the manner provided in this section 12. Any notice or communication sent under this section 12 will be deemed to have been duly given as follows: (1) if by personal delivery, on the date actually received by the addressee or its representative at the address provided above, or (2) if sent by certified U.S. mail, return receipt requested, on the first business day that is at least three calendar days after the date deposited in the U.S. Mail, or (3) if sent by facsimile transmission, upon electronic confirmation of good receipt by the receiving facsimile machine, except that facsimile notice received after normal business hours of the recipient will be deemed received at 9:00 a.m. on the first business day after the date on which the facsimile notice was confirmed electronically.

#### 13. SURVIVAL OF TERMS AND PROVISIONS

The following sections of this Agreement will survive the Closing, and will thereafter remain in full force and effect: 3, 4.2, 4.3, 5.3, 5.4, and 6 through 14, inclusive. All other rights and duties hereunder will cease upon termination of this Agreement or Closing. In the event of the termination of this Agreement, all documents, other tangible objects, and information containing or representing confidential or proprietary information disclosed by one Party to the other, and all copies that are in the possession

or under the control of the other Party will be and remain the property of the Party that disclosed the documents, objects, and information, and all those documents and tangible objects will be promptly returned to the Party that disclosed them at that Party's written request.

#### 14. MISCELLANEOUS

- 14.1 <u>Waivers</u>. No waiver of any provision of this Agreement will be valid unless it is in writing and signed by both the AOC and the County. Waiver by either Party at any time of any breach of this Agreement cannot be deemed a waiver of or consent to a breach of the same or any other provision of this Agreement. If a Party's action requires the consent or approval of the other Party, that consent or approval on any one occasion cannot be deemed a consent to or approval of that action on any later occasion or a consent or approval of any other action.
- 14.2 <u>Force Majeure</u>. Neither Party will be responsible for performance under this Agreement to the extent performance is prevented, hindered, or delayed by fire, flood, earthquake, elements of nature, acts of God, acts of war (declared and undeclared), riots, rebellions, revolutions, or terrorism, whether foreseeable or unforeseeable.
- 14.3 <u>Assignment</u>. Neither Party may assign this Agreement in whole or in part, whether by operation of law or otherwise, to any other entity, agency, or person without the prior written consent of the other Party. Even if that consent is given, any assignment made in contravention of any Law will be void and of no effect.
- 14.4 <u>Binding Effect</u>. This Agreement binds the Parties and their permitted successors and assigns.
- 14.5 <u>Third Parties Benefited</u>. The Court is an intended beneficiary of all provisions of this Agreement and the Closing Documents for the benefit of the AOC.
- 14.6 <u>Governing Law</u>. This Agreement, and the Parties' performance under this Agreement, will be exclusively governed by the laws of the State without regard to its conflict of law provisions.
- 14.7 <u>Construction</u>. The headings used in this Agreement are for convenience only and will not affect the meaning or interpretation of this Agreement. The words "hereof," "herein," and "hereunder," and other words of similar import, refer to this Agreement as a whole and not to any subdivision of this Agreement. This Agreement and the Closing Documents will not be construed against either Party as the principal draftsperson. The words "include" and "including" when used are not exclusive and mean "include, but are not limited to" and "including but not limited to," respectively. The capitalized terms used in this Agreement have the meanings ascribed to them in this Agreement.

- 14.8 <u>Integration; Amendments</u>. This Agreement and the Closing Documents contain the entire agreement of the Parties with respect to the Transfer, and supersede all previous communications, representations, understandings, and agreements, whether verbal, written, express, or implied, between the Parties. This Agreement may be amended only by written agreement signed by both of the Parties.
- 14.9 <u>Incorporation By Reference</u>. The factual recitals and Exhibits contained in or attached to this Agreement are all incorporated into and made a part of this Agreement for all purposes, and all references to this Agreement in any of the recitals or Exhibits will be deemed to include the entirety of this Agreement.
- 14.10 <u>Severability</u>. If a term of this Agreement is inconsistent with applicable Law, then on the request of either Party, the Parties will promptly meet and confer to determine how to amend the inconsistent term in a manner consistent with Law, but all parts of this Agreement not affected by the inconsistency will remain in full force and effect.
- 14.11 <u>Further Assurances</u>. The Parties agree to cooperate reasonably and in good faith with one another to (1) implement the terms and provisions set forth in this Agreement, the Closing Documents, and the Act, and (2) consummate the transactions contemplated herein, and shall execute any further agreements and perform any additional acts that may be reasonably necessary to carry out the purposes and intent of this Agreement, the Closing Documents, and the Act.

[SIGNATURE PAGE TO IMMEDIATELY FOLLOW]

### I agree to the terms of this Agreement.

APPROVED AS TO FORM: Administrative Office of the Courts, Office of the General Counsel	JUDICIAL COUNCIL OF CALIFORNIA, ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS		
By:	By:		
Name: Leslie G. Miessner	Name: Grant Walker		
Title: Attorney	Title: Senior Manager, Business Services		
Date:	Date:		
ATTEST: Cindy Keck, Clerk of the Board	COUNTY OF EL DORADO, a political subdivision of the State of California		
By:	By:		
Cindy Keck	Name: Rusty Dupray		
•	Title: Chair, Board of Supervisors		
	Date:		

#### **EXHIBITS**

Exhibit "A" Legal Description of the Land

Exhibit "B" Site Plan and Floor Plan

Exhibit "C" Depiction of Court Parking

Exhibit "D" List of Disputes as of the Effective Date

Exhibit "E" Categories of Property Disclosure Documents

Exhibit "F" List of Service Contracts

Exhibit "G" Form of Memorandum of Understanding

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