

County of El Dorado

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Legislation Text

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Chief Administrative Office recommending Chairman be authorized to sign Amendments to Agreements for services with the following indigent defense/conflict panel Attorneys:

- 1) Adam Weiner
- 2) Acton Law Corporation
- 3) John Castellanos
- 4) James Stillman Clark
- 5) Dain Weiner
- 6) Erik Davenport
- 7) Lori London
- 8) Gilbert Maines
- 9) Paul Palant
- 10) Erik Schlueter

FUNDING: General Fund

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| BUDGET SUMMARY: | | |
| Total Estimated Savings | | \$ 58,417 |
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| Funding | | |
| Budgeted | \$ | |
| New Funding | \$ | |
| Savings | \$ | |
| Other | \$ | |
| Total Funding Available | \$ | |
| Change To Net County Cost | | \$ |

Fiscal Impact/Change to Net County Cost: Amendments will reduce Attorney compensation by 10% which is anticipated to achieve approximately \$58,417 in savings in FY 2009-10. This reduction has been included in the FY2008-09 budget addenda.

Reason for Recommendation: On August 24, 2009, agenda item #4 (file number 09-1126) directed the Chief Administrative Office to prepare amendments to the agreements with each Conflict Panel Attorney to reduce compensation by 10%. This action is required in order to meet the Net County Cost budget reduction that was imposed on every County department as a result of declining revenue and continuing economic decline.

The Amendments reduce compensation by 10% taking the monthy payment amount from \$6,612 to \$5,951 and will become effective with the November 1, 2009 payment to each attorney.

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Discussions are continuing with the Courts to review the total number of panel attorney's needed. If changes are recommended that will be brought to the Board at a latter date.

Action to be taken following Board approval:

- 1. Chairman will sign two copies of each amendment.
- 2. Chief Administrative Office will process November payment at the reduce amount
- 3. Chief Administrative Office will return one fully executed copy of the amendment to each respective attorney

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Concurrences: County Counsel and Risk Management