

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

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FROM: Executive Office

SUBMITTAL DATE:
July 3, 2008

SUBJECT: Indigent Defense Contracts for FY 2008-09

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors approve the attached three contracts, with Criminal Defense Lawyers, Juvenile Defense Panel, and Barbara M. Brand Esq., for indigent defense services in FY 2008-09.

BACKGROUND: The County of Riverside contracts with panels of attorneys to provide criminal defense services for indigent defendants when the Public Defender's Office has a conflict of interest. The Court utilizes the services of these panel attorneys and also occasionally assigns cases to private counsel. The assigned counsel system has provided quality legal service that is reliable and cost effective.

These three contracts total \$10.4 million in legal fees (\$7,790,004 to CDL; \$2,178,000 to Barbara Brand, and \$521,640 to JDP). They also provide for up to \$844,800 for investigative and forensic costs (actual investigative expenses are likely to be less). At the request of the Court, and direction from the Board, the contracts for adult criminal services have been augmented by \$1,320,000 to provide for additional conflict attorneys in the vertical calendar courts. County Counsel prepared the attached contracts, in conformance with County standards.

Kathryn Field
Kathryn Field, Deputy County Executive Officer

FINANCIAL DATA

Current F.Y. Total Cost:	\$11,334,444	In New Year Budget:	yes
Current F.Y. Net County Cost:	\$11,334,444	Budget Adjustment:	no
Annual Net County Cost:	\$0	For Fiscal Year:	FY 2008-09

SOURCE OF FUNDS: Indigent Defense Budget – General Fund	Positions To Be Deleted Per A-30	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Requires 4/5 Vote	<input type="checkbox"/>

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION: APPROVE

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BY: *Bill Luna*
Bill Luna

County Executive Office Signature

Dept't Recomm.: Policy

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Per Exec. Ofc.: Policy

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