




MEMORANDUM

EXECUTIVE OFFICE, COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE

Bill Luna
County Executive Officer

Jay E. Orr
Assistant County Executive Officer

TO: Kecia Harper-Ihem, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
FROM: Jay Orr, Assistant County Executive Officer 
DATE: April 6, 2009
RE: Continue Items 3.43 & 3.44

Please continue Items 3.43 and 3.44 until April 21, 2009 to allow County Counsel to review and discuss with the Courts.

3.43 + 3.44

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

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FORM APPROVED COUNTY COUNSEL
BY: H. P. Koster 3/25/09
DATE
MARSHAL L. VICTOR

Departmental Concurrence

FROM: Executive Office

SUBMITTAL DATE:
March 24, 2009

SUBJECT: Indigent Defense Contracts for *People vs. Jackson C. Daniels, Jr.*

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors ratifies the attached two contracts, with attorneys Steven L. Harmon and Paul Grech, Jr., for legal services in connection with the above high-profile death penalty case.

BACKGROUND: The double-homicide case of *P. vs. Jackson Daniels* was remanded to Riverside Superior Court in December, 2007. The case involves the 1984 shooting of two Riverside police officers. In January, 2008, the court assigned as counsel for Mr. Daniels the attorneys who had represented him for the preceding 23 years, at the rate of \$170 per hour, at County expense. In January, 2009, the court relieved that defense team from the case and asked local attorneys Steve Harmon and Paul Grech to represent Mr. Daniels. The Harmon and Grech team is highly respected and qualified to handle this difficult and unusual case. Although the overall cost to defend this case is hard to estimate, if each attorney bills for 1,500 hours, the legal bills will total \$510,000. As with other death penalty defense expenses, recommendations to adjust the Indigent Defense budget will be submitted once costs are incurred. 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:	est. \$100,000	In Current Budget:	no
	Current F.Y. Net County Cost:	est. \$100,000	Budget Adjustment:	no
	Annual Net County Cost:	est. \$400,000	For Fiscal Year:	FY 2008-09

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

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION:

APPROVE
BY: *Gary M. Christmas*
Gary M. Christmas

County Executive Office Signature

Dept't Recomm.: Consent Policy
Per Exec. Ofc.: Consent Policy

Prev. Agn. Ref.: none | District: ALL | Agenda Number:

ATTACHMENTS FILED
WITH THE CLERK OF THE BOARD

3.44

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA



3.9

On motion of Supervisor Stone, seconded by Supervisor Tavaglione and duly carried, IT WAS ORDERED that the recommendation from the Executive Office to approve the Indigent Defense Contracts with Steven L. Harmon and Paul Grech Jr., for legal services for People vs. Jackson C. Daniels, Jr., is continued to Tuesday, April 7, 2009, at 9:00 a.m.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Buster, Tavaglione, Stone and Ashley
Nays: None
Absent: Wilson

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a full true and correct copy of an order made and entered on March 31, 2009 of Supervisors Minutes.

(seal)

WITNESS my hand and the seal of the Board of Supervisors
Dated: March 31, 2009
Kecia Harper-Ihem, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, in
and for the County of Riverside, State of California.

By: *James Blumner* Deputy

AGENDA NO.

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xc: E.O., COB

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THE CLERK OF THE BOARD