

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

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FROM: Executive Office

SUBMITTAL DATE:
May 16, 2016

SUBJECT: Payment of Attorney Fees to the Prison Law Office Following Final Approval of the Settlement of Quinton Gray, et al v. County of Riverside, All Districts [\$1,700,000 General Fund]

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors

1. Approve court-ordered payment to the Prison Law Office in the amount of \$1,250,000 for merits fees and expenses,
2. Approve up to \$150,000 annually for three years to pay court ordered monitoring fees and expenses; and
3. Approve and direct the Auditor Controller to post the budget adjustments included on the Schedule A.

BACKGROUND:

Summary

The order granting final approval of the class action settlement jointly filed by the County of Riverside and the Prison Law Office on behalf of Quinton Gray, et al was signed on April 28, 2016 by Judge Virginia Phillips of the United States District Court, Central District of California, Eastern Division.

Continued

Elizabeth J. Olson
Principal Management Analyst

FINANCIAL DATA	Current Fiscal Year:	Next Fiscal Year:	Total Cost:	Ongoing Cost:	POLICY/CONSENT (per Exec. Office)
COST	\$ 1,250,000	\$ 150,000	\$ 1,700,000	\$ 0	Consent <input type="checkbox"/> Policy <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
NET COUNTY COST	\$ 1,250,000	\$ 150,000	\$ 1,700,000	\$ 0	
SOURCE OF FUNDS: General Fund 100%				Budget Adjustment: Yes	
				For Fiscal Year: FY 15/16	

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION:

APPROVE

BY:
Ivan M. Chand 5/18/2016

County Executive Office Signature

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

On motion of Supervisor Jeffries, seconded by Supervisor Ashley and duly carried by unanimous vote, IT WAS ORDERED that the above matter is approved as recommended.

Ayes: Jeffries, Tavaglione, Washington, Benoit and Ashley
Nays: None
Absent: None
Date: May 24, 2016
xc: E.O., Auditor

Kecia Harper-Ihem
Clerk of the Board
By:
Deputy

Prev. Agn. Ref.: | **District:** All | **Agenda Number:**

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FISCAL PROCEDURES APPROVED
PAUL ANGUILO, CPA, AUDITOR-CONTROLLER
5/18/16
Susana Garcia-Bocanegra

Departmental Concurrence

- A-30
- Positions Added
- 4/5 Vote
- Change Order

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BACKGROUND:

Summary (continued)

The Court deemed the joint settlement agreement is fair, adequate and reasonable. The consent decree and remedial plan agreed to by both parties covers all substantive areas of the dispute. The Court appointed joint neutral experts to monitor compliance with the remedial plan and to assist in any dispute resolution. The experts will complete two comprehensive reviews of the County's progress during the first year and subsequently as appropriate. The Court also stipulated that the Prison Law Office as plaintiffs' counsel will monitor compliance with the consent decree and remedial plan and will inspect the jails twice each year.

The payments to be made are ordered by the Court with \$1,250,000 due upon approval by the Board of Supervisors and a maximum of \$150,000 per year for subsequent years.

Impact on Citizens and Businesses

Citizens in Riverside County can be confident that inmates in all County detention facilities under the direction of the Sheriff receive adequate health and behavioral health services.

ATTACHMENTS : Schedule A

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Schedule A

Increase appropriations:

10000-1102900000-525020-	Legal services	\$1,250,000
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Decrease committed fund balance:

10000-1000100000-330155-	CFB – legal liabilities	\$1,250,000
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