



MULTNOMAH COUNTY AGENDA PLACEMENT REQUEST

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Meeting Date: 10/13/11
Agenda Item #: R.1
Est. Start Time: 9:30 am
Date Submitted: 9/30/11

Agenda Title: *Authorizing Settlement of Ken Yeo v. Multnomah County, et al.*
Title: **U.S. District Court Case No. 08-cv-1317-AC**

Note: If Ordinance, Resolution, Order or Proclamation, provide exact title. For all other submissions, provide a clearly written title.

Requested Meeting Date: October 13, 2011 **Amount of Time Needed:** 5 minutes
Department: Non-Departmental **Division:** County Attorney
Contact(s): Patrick Henry
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Presenter(s): Patrick W. Henry, Assistant County Attorney

General Information

1. What action are you requesting from the Board?

Approve settlement of \$80,000.00.

2. Please provide sufficient background information for the Board and the public to understand this issue. Please note which Program Offer this action affects and how it impacts the results.

This case was brought by Disability Rights Oregon, alleging violation of civil rights and medical negligence toward a mentally ill inmate in a Multnomah County jail. The plaintiff was Tasered when he did not comply with the deputies' commands, and he did not receive treatment for his mental illness until he had been in custody for 48 hours. Settlement in this case is acceptable and avoids the expenses of a very lengthy and complex trial.

3. Explain the fiscal impact (current year and ongoing).

N/A

4. Explain any legal and/or policy issues involved.

On December 18, 2003, the Board adopted Resolution 03-171 delegating authority to the County Attorney to settle claims and litigation against the County or its employees in amounts up to \$25,000 per case. The County Attorney must obtain Board approval for all settlements of over \$25,000.

5. Explain any citizen and/or other government participation that has or will take place.

N/A

Required Signature

**Elected Official or
Department/
Agency Director:**



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