



MULTNOMAH COUNTY AGENDA PLACEMENT REQUEST

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Meeting Date: 8-2-12
Agenda Item #: R.4
Est. Start Time: 10:40 am
Date Submitted: 7-26-12

Agenda Title: **Authorizing Settlement of *Elliott v. Staton, et al***
Title: **United States District Court Case No. 11-cv-01536 ST**

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

Requested Meeting Date: August 2, 2012 **Amount of Time Needed:** 2 minutes
Department: Non-Departmental **Division:** County Attorney
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Presenter(s): Katharine von Ter Stegge, 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.

Brett Elliott v. Multnomah County et al., is an employment related lawsuit by an employee of the Sheriff's Department alleging federal and state claims. The proposed settlement agreement includes the employee's early retirement, a lump sum payment of \$80,000 to the employee, and benefits related to early retirement. This settlement fully resolves the dispute between the parties and County Attorney believes that this settlement is in the best interest of the County.

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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