

# AGENDA REQUEST FORM

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Yakima County Commissioners' Office, Room 232**

Prepared by:  
Stefanie Weigand/Cindy Erwin

Department: Prosecutor/ Corp Counsel

Requested Agenda Date: 11/22/2022

Presenting: \_\_\_\_\_

Document Title:

*Board of County Commissioners Record Assigned*

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**APPROVED FOR AGENDA:**

Consent                       Regular

Board of County Commissioners Determined

Resolution Authorizing Settlement of Yakima County Cause No. 20-2-01489-39/ Yakima County Claim 3-2020.

Action Requested: *Check Applicable Box*

PASS RESOLUTION       EXECUTE or AMEND **AGREEMENT** CONTRACT or GRANT

ISSUE PROCLAMATION    PASS ORDINANCE    OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

Describe Fiscal Impact:  
\$100,000.

Background Information:  
Settling a lawsuit brought against Yakima County et al by former Department of Security employee Eric Salverda in order to avoid the uncertainties inherent in litigation.

Summary & Recommendation:  
Approve Settlement.

Motion:

Department Head/ Elected Official

*Stefanie Weigand for*  
Signature Joe Brusic

**AGREEMENT** Attached Is Approved as to Form  
Corporate Counsel Initial BTW

Late Agenda Requests Require BOCC Chairman Signature:

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**BOARD OF YAKIMA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
RESOLUTION**

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING  
SETTLEMENT OF YAKIMA COUNTY  
SUPERIOR COURT CAUSE NO. 20-2-01489-39  
FILED BY FAVIAN VALENCIA ON BEHALF  
OF ERIC SALVERDA

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**WHEREAS**, Favian Valencia of Sunshine Law Group filed a claim, and subsequent lawsuit, on behalf of Eric Salverda against Yakima County and several individual Defendants in Yakima County Superior Court Cause No. 20-2-01489-39. In both his claim and lawsuit, the Plaintiff alleges retaliation and other claims that are disputed by the Sheriff's Office and all Defendants; **and**,

**WHEREAS**, the Corporate Counsel Division of the Yakima County Prosecuting Attorney's Office recommends settling the matter for the mediated settlement amount in order to avoid the uncertainties inherent in litigation. This settlement is entered into without admission of liability by any party in exchange for a written settlement of all claims and a complete release of his allegations relating to the causes of action signed by him; **and**,

**WHEREAS**, the Washington Counties Risk Pool (WCRP), subject to reimbursement by Yakima County, will prepare and deliver payment of One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000) to the trust account of Plaintiff's counsel's law firm as settlement of this lawsuit; **now, therefore**,

**BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED** that the Clerk of the Board is authorized and directed to provide a copy of this resolution to Chief Civil Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Don Anderson so that he may arrange for payment from Yakima County Fund 520 of a total of One Hundred Thousand dollars (\$100,000) to reimburse the Washington Counties Risk Pool for the settlement payment.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that Chief Civil Deputy Don Anderson is further authorized to take whatever actions are reasonable and prudent to conclude the settlement provided by this resolution.

**DONE**      NOV 22 2022

*Attest:*

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Julie Lawrence, Clerk of the Board  
Erin Franklin, Deputy Clerk of the Board

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Amanda McKinney, Chair

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LaDon Linde, Commissioner

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Ron Anderson, Commissioner  
*Constituting the Board of County Commissioners  
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