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TO: Theodore Lipscomb, Sr., Chairman
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FROM: Anne B. Kearney, Deputy Corporation Counsel *ABK*

DATE: November 11, 2019

SUBJECT: Contract amendment with Husch Blackwell for legal representation in Lloyd Johnson v. Milwaukee County Mental Health Complex. File No. 19-873

It is requested that this matter be referred to the Committee on Finance and Audit for approval of a resolution to amend a legal service agreement.

The County Board approved an agreement with Husch Blackwell (File No. 17-310) in the matter of Lloyd Johnson v. Milwaukee County Mental Health Complex. This case relates to the injuries that the Plaintiff inflicted upon himself while a patient at the Mental Health Complex. Husch Blackwell continues to represent the County in this large and complex matter, with outstanding state law claims.

For the years 2014-2018, the authorized funds total \$445,000. This amendment will increase the total authorized funds to \$508,796.44. Therefore, approval of the attached resolution is requested to amend the agreement amount by an additional \$63,796.44 in order to pay for outstanding invoices and continued legal services through 2019.

Sufficient funds exist in the 2019 Litigation Reserve Account, Org. Unit 1961, for this request.

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