



# Pinellas County

315 Court Street, 5th Floor Assembly Room Clearwater, Florida 33756

### Staff Report

EXEMPT FROM PUBLIC RECORDS UNTIL CONCLUSION OF LITIGATION (Ch. 119, Fla. Stat.)

File #: 22-1917A Agenda Date: 11/15/2022

# Subject:

Proposed settlement in the case of Charles Knapp v. Pinellas County/Pinellas County Risk Management; Office of the Judges of Compensation Claims Case No. 21-000440RLY.

### **Recommended Action:**

Approve the proposed settlement in the amount of \$125,000.00 in the case of Charles Knapp v. Pinellas County/Pinellas County Risk Management.

# Strategic Plan:

N/A

# Summary:

In September 2019, while employed in the Utilities Department, Claimant sustained an injury which was deemed compensable under Workers' Compensation. In February 2022, Claimant resigned after the County was unable to accommodate his work restrictions. The proposed settlement is for future benefits and attorney's fees.

It is recommended that the proposed settlement be approved. The Third-Party Administrator and County Administration concur with this recommendation.

### **Background Information:**

N/A

### Fiscal Impact:

Total amount of claims to be paid by the County is \$125,000.00

### Staff Member Responsible:

Jewel White, County Attorney
Christy Donovan Pemberton, Managing Assistant County Attorney
Ashley N. Donnell, Senior Assistant County Attorney
Merry Celeste, Division Director, Purchasing and Risk Management, Administrative Services

### Partners:

N/A

# **Attachments:**

N/A

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### **Recommended Action:**

Consideration of the proposed settlement in the case of Charles Knapp v. Pinellas County/Pinellas County Risk Management.

### Strategic Plan:

N/A

### Summary:

The above-referenced case is being brought to the Board of County Commissioners for consideration in accordance with the confidential memorandum dated November 15, 2022.

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