

Risk Management

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MEMORANDUM

To: Jewel White, County Attorney
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From: Merry Celeste, Division Director, Purchasing & Risk Management, Administrative Services

Subject: County Attorney's Office Quarterly Report for October 1, 2022, through December 31, 2022,
for claims settled between \$25,001 and \$50,000

Date: January 6, 2023

This is the Quarterly Report that is submitted to the Board of County Commissioners to be received and filed for informational purposes only.

There were one (1) General Liability settlements that fell within the Quarter, and it is as follows:

Destiny Barthelmes

Claim # 20-26034

Incident Date: 12/31/2020

Claimant, Destiny Barthelmes a minor at the time of the accident, was driving a golfcart in Palm Harbor when she struck a pothole causing the golfcart to flip on its side and severing the claimant's pinky finger on her left hand. The finger could not be repaired, and the remaining stub was surgically removed. Pinellas County had prior notice of the condition of the roadway and had the potholes scheduled to be repaired as part of a larger road repaving project. The claimant's total unadjusted medicals were \$97,592.55 and the original demand was \$200,000.00. Through much negotiation, the claimant agreed to settle for \$35,000.00.