



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 January 1, 2022 through March 31, 2022 for claims settled between \$25,001 and \$50,000

Date: April 5, 2022

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 two (2) General Liability settlements that fell within the quarter and they are as follows:

Jeannette Larsh Claim # 18-19393 Incident Date: 6/2/2018

Claimant, Jeanette Larsh, tripped over a curb displaced by tree roots from a tree located in the County ROW (with the County already on notice) and fell injuring her elbow, heel/toe, and lower back. The claimant's total medicals were \$14,244.95 and she sought \$45k. Through much negotiation, the claimant agreed to settle for \$32,000.00.

Courtney Search Claim # 21-28003 Incident Date: 12/14/2021

Claimant, Courtney Search, had sewage back up into her home due to a dropped line on the County side (tree roots), causing considerable property damage. This was the second sewage back up event involving this clamant and property (original incident was in 2017 and the County paid \$4,990.00 in damages). The claimant originally sought \$58,023.09 in total damages, but eventually agreed to settle for \$50,000.00.

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