



Pinellas County

Staff Report

File #: 17-1650A, **Version:** 1

Subject:

Authority for County Attorney to Opt In to Class Action Settlement - United States Middle District of Florida Case No. 2:15-cv-00793-JES-MRM - receipt of unsolicited facsimiles.

Recommended Action:

Approval of authority for the County Attorney to Opt In to Class Action Settlement in Federal Court to receive a portion of settlement funds.

Strategic Plan:

N/A

Summary:

Defendant JWD Automotive, Inc. sent facsimile transmissions of unsolicited advertisements to the Class, which includes Pinellas County, between October 2014 and January 2015, in violation of the Junk Fax Prevention Act of 2005, 74 USC § 227.

Pursuant to the Order approving settlement, members of the Class will receive \$500.00 per facsimile transmission, subject to availability of settlement proceed funds. Board authorization will allow the County Attorney to submit a claim to receive a portion of the settlement funds designated for members of the Class in this lawsuit.

Background Information:

N/A

Fiscal Impact:

Unknown.

Staff Member Responsible:

Jewel White, County Attorney
Ashley N. Donnell, Assistant County Attorney

Partners:

N/A

Attachments:

N/A