

Liability Counsel Legal Services Agreements

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Attachment 1 – Outline of Selected Firms

BDG Law Group has specialized in municipal and public agency defense for over 40 years. They have decades of experience representing public agencies across California at both the state and federal levels. BDG specializes in labor and employment law.

Bertrand, Fox, Elliott, Osman + Wenzel specializes in public entity defense and has represented public entities throughout the Bay Area for more than 30 years, specializing in employment law, complex sexual abuse and molestation cases, government tort liability, law enforcement defense, and ADA claims. The attorneys in the firm are proven trial attorneys who collectively have tried more than 50 jury trials to verdict.

Bluestone Faircloth & Olson, LLP has represented various public entities, including the County of Sonoma and the County of Napa, for more than three decades in various tort and medical malpractice matters. The named partners in this firm are seasoned trial attorneys who bring many years of experience to the table. The firm has an excellent success rate both with respect to past matters representing the County of Sonoma, as well as other public entities.

McNamara, Ambacher, Wheeler, Hirsig & Gray LLP has represented a variety of public entities over 35 years specializing in high-profile law enforcement defense, civil rights U.S. Code section 1983 actions, government tort liability, and medical malpractice actions. The attorneys in the firm are experienced trial attorneys who have tried more than 30 jury and court trials. The firm has proven to be proficient, responsive, and cost-effective.

Porter Scott is one of Sacramento's largest law firms, employing more than 50 attorneys, including 15 Shareholders, 34 Associates, and 4 Of Counsel. The firm primarily represents public entities and has served the County since 2024. Its trial attorneys bring extensive experience in defending cases ranging from civil rights claims to employment matters. Most recently, Porter Scott secured a full defense verdict for the County of Sonoma in a Federal Court jury trial involving allegations of civil rights violations.

Richards, Watson & Gershon has represented public entities since 1954 throughout California. The firm specializes in employment and labor law. The attorneys in the firm are experienced trial attorneys who have tried more than 25 jury trials to verdict.

Rivera Hewitt Paul LLP brings more than 25 years of experience in tort defense, specializing in representing public entities in law enforcement cases, personal injury, medical malpractice cases, sexual assault and molestation cases, and premises liability. Rivera Hewitt Paul LLP has tried eight cases to unanimous jury verdicts in the Eastern and Northern Districts of California. They have also argued cases before the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeal.