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## NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Memo

MEETING DATE:	June 25, 2019
то:	Board of Supervisors
FROM:	Clifford Newell
SUBJECT:	Resolution authorizing an agreement with Thomson Reuters for online legal research and document preparation software in the amount of \$89,642.00 for the Period of July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2024, and authorizing the Chair of the Board of Supervisors to Execute the Agreement.

## **<u>RECOMMENDATION</u>:**

Adopt the resolution attached Resolution.

#### **FUNDING**:

Funding will come from the General Fund and the annual cost is included in the District Attorney and Public Defender's fiscal year 2019-2020 budget.

#### BACKGROUND:

Legal research is the cornerstone to properly prepare for court. Having efficient access to statute and case law is critical for any lawyer appearing in court. A case management system that integrates with necessary research will save attorneys time and ultimately the organization money.

In August 2019, the Nevada County Board of Supervisors approved the procurement of a new case management system for the District Attorney's Office and Public Defender, Karpel. The Karpel system is integrated with Westlaw. Westlaw is the only legal research resource that will integrate with the new case management system.

Since Westlaw Research Service is only available from one provider, the District Attorney's Office worked to develop a negotiated agreement with Thomas Reuters, a leading provider of legal publications and online research services.

Item Initiated by: Denise Harben

Approved by: Clifford Newell

Submittal Date: May 24, 2019 Revision Date: