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Honorable Board of Supervisors
Eric Rood Administrative Center
950 Maidu Avenue
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DATE OF MEETING: June 26, 2018

SUBJECT: Resolution Approving Personal Services Contract between the County of Nevada and Porter Scott for Litigation Services Related to the Case Entitled *Saling vs. Royal, et al.*, in the Maximum Contract Amount of \$150,000 and Authorizing the Chair of the Board to Execute the Contract

RECOMMENDATION: Adopt the attached Resolution

FUNDING: Legal services provided under this Agreement are paid on an as needed basis. The cost of this Contract will be paid from Risk Management's Fiscal Year 2017/18 and 2018/19 general liability fund. There is no additional impact on the General Fund. No budget amendment is required. Fees and costs in excess of \$100,000 will be reimbursed by CSAC-EIA.

BACKGROUND: On May 24, 2013, litigation was filed against Nevada County Sheriff, Keith Royal and the former Nevada County Human Resources Director, Gayle Satchwell, in the case entitled *Saling vs. Keith Royal, et al*, Case No. 2:13-cv-01775-TLN-DAD (U.S. District Court, E.D. Cal.). After several years in the pleading stage, this case is finally moving forward with discovery and appears likely to proceed toward trial. The County requires the services of outside counsel to provide legal representation in connection with said litigation and the continued legal defense of this case.

Porter Scott is a well qualified firm with significant experience and expertise in litigation defense on behalf of public agencies and is willing and able to represent the County of Nevada and the individuals in this case. Porter Scott has also done a very good job representing the County in other litigation matters. We recommend that the Board

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approve the proposed Personal Services Contract with Porter Scott as submitted, in the maximum amount of \$150,000.

Respectfully submitted,

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Attachments: Resolution Approving Personal Services Contract
Personal Services Contract