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TO: M.L. Koester, Chief Administrative Officer

FROM:  James L. McBride, County Counsel

RE: 1995-96 GRAND JURY REPORT

The 1995-96 Grand Jury recommends that funds for outside counsel be made available to the Civil Service Commission in situations where an actual conflict exists with the County Counsel (page 12). Our current practice is for this office to provide legal representation to the extent of our resources. Where a conflict exists in a major matter, we have attempted to obtain legal representation for the Commission usually through a cooperative effort with another public entity. Additionally, it is my understanding that through the current budget process efforts are made to provide funds to obtain outside counsel in those situations where it is deemed appropriate.

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