



# Snohomish County Council

## Legislation Text

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### Executive/Council Action Form (ECAF)

**ITEM TITLE:**

Motion 23-109, approving 3<sup>rd</sup> Amendment to Contract with Keating, Bucklin & McCormack relating to the Aradon matter

**DEPARTMENT:** PROSECUTING ATTORNEY

**ORIGINATOR:** ELLEN HAGEY

**EXECUTIVE RECOMMENDATION:** Ken Klein (3/6/23)

**PURPOSE:** To obtain Council approval of a 3<sup>rd</sup> amendment to a Contract for Legal Services with Shannon M. Ragonesi of the law firm Keating, Bucklin & McCormack (KBM) regarding the Aradon matter (C20-064).

**BACKGROUND:** The Prosecuting Attorney’s Office (PAO) entered into a contract with KBM on August 25, 2020, to provide legal services for up to \$50,000, related to the Aradon matter. Subsequently, the Council approved the first amendment on April 5, 2021, that authorized legal services provided by KBM for up to \$150,000. The Council approved a second amendment on April 20, 2022, that authorized legal services provided by KBM for up to \$250,000. The litigation of and resolution to the Aradon matter are taking longer than initially anticipated. Accordingly, the third amendment with KBM authorizes legal services for up to \$300,000.

**FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:**

<b>EXPEND:</b> FUND, AGY, ORG, ACTY, OBJ, AU	CURRENT YR	2ND YR	1ST 6 YRS
506-5124714609 Insurance Defense Fund	\$50,000.00		
<b>TOTAL</b>	\$50,000.00		

<b>REVENUE:</b> FUND, AGY, ORG, REV, SOURCE	CURRENT YR	2ND YR	1ST 6 YRS
<b>TOTAL</b>			

**DEPARTMENT FISCAL IMPACT NOTES:** There are no fiscal impacts to the PAO’s 2023 authorized budget,

as these litigation expenses are drawn from the County's Insurance Defense Fund.

**CONTRACT INFORMATION:**

ORIGINAL	x	CONTRACT#	Original	AMOUNT	\$50,000.00
AMENDMENT1	x	CONTRACT#	1 <sup>st</sup> Amended Contract	AMOUNT	\$150,000.00
AMENDMENT2	x	CONTRACT#	2 <sup>nd</sup> Amended Contract	AMOUNT	\$250,000.00
AMENDMENT3	x	CONTRACT#	3 <sup>rd</sup> Amended Contract	AMOUNT	\$300,000.00

**Contract Period**

ORIGINAL	START	8/25/2020	END	Until litigation concludes
AMENDMENT1	START	4/5/2021	END	Until litigation concludes
AMENDMENT2	START	4/20/2022	END	Until litigation concludes
AMENDMENT3	START	When Council approves	END	Until litigation concludes

**OTHER DEPARTMENTAL REVIEW/COMMENTS:** Reviewed/approved by Risk Management (Sheila Barker 3/7/23) and Finance (Nathan Kennedy 3/6/23)