



**Request for City Council Committee Action  
From the City Attorney's Office**

Date: February 27, 2012  
To: Ways & Means/Budget Committee  
Referral to:

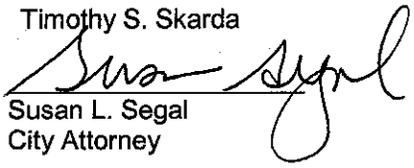
**Subject:** *Jones v. McLean, et al.*  
United States District Court Civil File No. 11-cv-1408 (RHK/TNL)

**Recommendation:** That the City Council approve the settlement of this case by payment of \$2,500.00 payable to the Law Office of Joshua R. Williams Trust Account from Fund/Org. 06900 1500100 145400 and authorize the City Attorney's Office to execute any documents necessary to effectuate settlement.

**Previous Directives:**

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Approved by:

  
Susan L. Segal  
City Attorney

Presenter in Committee: Susan L. Segal, City Attorney

**Financial Impact** (Check those that apply)

- No financial impact (If checked, go directly to Background/Supporting Information).  
 Action requires an appropriation increase to the \_\_\_\_\_ Capital Budget or \_\_\_\_\_ Operating Budget.  
 Action provides increased revenue for appropriation increase.  
 Action requires use of contingency or reserves.  
 Business Plan: \_\_\_\_\_ Action is within the plan. \_\_\_\_\_ Action requires a change to plan.  
 Other financial impact (Explain): Fund/Org. 6900 1500100 145400  
 Request provided to department's finance contact when provided to the Committee Coordinator.

**Community Impact**

City Goal(s): A safe place to call home

**Background/Supporting Information**

This case involves the arrest of the Plaintiff after the investigation of a series of robberies of Caribou coffee shops in Minneapolis, Richfield and St. Louis Park. The Plaintiff has asserted federal causes of action pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 1983 under the Fourth Amendment and Fourteenth Amendment for false arrest and detention. The Plaintiff named the cities of Minneapolis, Richfield, St. Louis Park and the police officers involved in the underlying criminal investigations as defendants.

A global settlement has been reached involving all claims with the City of Minneapolis contributing \$2,500.00 toward the settlement. The proposed settlement has been reviewed and approved the Minneapolis Police Department, the Minneapolis officers named as defendants and the City Attorney Litigation Committee. We believe that the proposed settlement is in the best interests of the City of Minneapolis and recommend approval by this Committee and the City Council.