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## NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Letter

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**TO:** Board of Supervisors  
**FROM:** Carol Strobel for Gary Lieberstein - District Attorney  
District Attorney  
**REPORT BY:** Carol Strobel, Administrative Services Officer, 253-4215  
**SUBJECT:** Out of Country Travel

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### **RECOMMENDATION**

District Attorney requests authorization for out of country travel for Jemy Dinov to attend the International Association of Financial Crimes Investigators Conference in Toronto, Canada, from August 27 - August 31, 2007.

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The District Attorney is requesting permission for out of country travel for District Attorney Investigator, Jemy Dinov, to attend the International Association of Financial Crime Investigators on August 27, 2007-August 31, 2007 in Toronto, Canada. The County of Napa receives funds from the Office of Emergency Services as part of the HITECH Task Force to cover all but approximately \$300 of the conference registration and travel expenses.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

Is there a Fiscal Impact?	Yes
Is it currently budgeted?	Yes
Where is it budgeted?	District Attorney
Is it Mandatory or Discretionary?	Discretionary
Discretionary Justification:	This specialized training information and international contacts will be very beneficial to the HITECH Task Force and to Napa County. The conference will focus on financial fraud, fraud investigation and fraud prevention. The Office of Emergency Services grant administered by Marin County will provide for all costs, except meals and airport parking which is not anticipated to exceed \$300.
Is the general fund affected?	Yes

Future fiscal impact: Future appropriations will be budgeted accordingly. Grant funds are expected to continue in future fiscal years.

Consequences if not approved: Napa County will not have the opportunity to receive current information on the investigation and prevention of financial fraud.

Additional Information: None.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT**

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: The proposed action is not a project as defined by 14 California Code of Regulations 15378 (State CEQA Guidelines) and therefore CEQA is not applicable.

### **BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION**

The HITECH Task Force is comprised of thirteen Northern California law enforcement agencies, the Secret Service, the U.S. Postal Service, the Department of Motor Vehicles, the California Department of Justice and the California Department of Insurance. The purpose of the HITECH Task Force is to investigate and prosecute computer and identity theft crimes. Jemy Dinov the District Attorney Investigator from the Napa County District Attorney's Office assigned to this task force.

The Napa County District Attorney's Office receives a Office of Emergency Services grant passed through the County of Marin to fund HITECH Task Force activities. This grant will pay conference registration and travel expenses for Mr. Dinov to attend the International Association of Financial Crime Investigators Annual Conference with the exception of meals and airport parking which the District Attorney's Office has budgeted \$300 to cover.

The International Association of Financial Crimes Investigators is a nonprofit international organization that provides services and an environment within which information about financial fraud, fraud investigation and fraud prevention methods can be collected, exchanged and taught for the common good of the financial payment industry and our global society. The conference is located in Toronto, Canada and will be held August 27, 2007 - August 31, 2007.

### **SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS**

None

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Molly Rattigan