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**Agenda Item  
Regular Meeting of the  
Board of Supervisors  
Tuesday, October 28, 2025**

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**Item Number: 2.5**

**MEETING DATE:** 10/28/2025  
**DEPARTMENT:** COUNTY COUNSEL  
**AGENDA ITEM PREPARER:** Gregory Priamos  
**DEPT HEAD/DIRECTOR:** Gregory Priamos

**SUBJECT:**

**COUNTY COUNSEL - G. PRIAMOS**

Discuss appointments to the Board of Law Library Trustees for San Benito County and provide direction to staff.

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**AGENDA SECTION:**

REGULAR AGENDA

**BACKGROUND/SUMMARY:**

The San Benito County Law Library is an independent local agency formed pursuant to Division 3, Chapter 5, Article 1, (commencing with Section 6300) of the California Business and Professions Code. Section 6321 specifies \$26.00 shall be charged as a portion of the filing fees for most cases that are filed in the San Benito County Superior Court, to fund the San Benito County Law Library's operations. The Law Library's collection was housed in the Old County Courthouse, pursuant to Section 6361, prior to the Courthouse fire. Recent inquiries have been made regarding the future location of the Law Library. The Law Library is governed by a board of law library trustees.

The composition of the board of trustees is specified in Business and Professions Code Section 6301. The full board is to be comprised of not less than six and not more than seven trustees. Historically, the San Benito County Law Library Board of Trustees has been comprised of six trustees. Section 6304 requires the attendance of a majority of its members to form a quorum and also requires the affirmative vote of a majority of its members to exercise its powers. This would require the attendance and

affirmative vote of at least four trustees, whether the full board is comprised of six or seven members, so having a board of trustees comprised of seven trustees would allow for one additional absence and/or dissenting vote to occur. Some of the trustees are appointed by the Superior Court judges; others are appointed by the Board of Supervisors.

Pursuant to Section 6301(a)(1), the judges may both serve as ex officio trustees, or they may select one of their members to serve, plus two additional trustees who are residents of the County or members of the State Bar. The Court Executive Officer has confirmed that one of the San Benito Superior Judges will serve as a trustee and that the judges have appointed two additional trustees. The Presiding Judge has requested that the Board of Supervisors make its appointments to the Board of Law Library Trustees to permit the trustees to continue their work.

If the Board Chair decides to serve as an ex officio trustee, then the full Board will need to appoint an additional two to three trustees. If the Board Chair requests the full Board to select a trustee to serve in his place, then the full Board will need to appoint an additional three to four trustees. Pursuant to section 6301(b), two trustees can be residents of the county, but not judges, one trustee can be a member of the board of supervisors, or one trustee can be a member of the State Bar.

Following the Board's direction, staff will need to advertise for people who are interested in serving on the Board of Law Library Trustees, with applicants to be brought back to the Board for a final decision regarding appointments.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT:**

None other than staff time to advertise for applicants and compile the information and return to the Board of Supervisors at a future meeting to consider and appoint from the applicants.

#### **STAFF RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Board of Supervisors discuss appointments to the Board of Law Library Trustees and provide direction to staff to advertise for applicants and compile the information and return to the Board of Supervisors at a future meeting to consider and appoint from the applicants.

#### **ATTACHMENTS:**