

Risk Management

Attorney Conflicts Panel

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CAO Risk Management administers the Attorney Conflicts Panel (ACP). Law firms on the ACP provide legal representation to current and/or former City officers and employees named as defendants in tort, employment, civil rights, and other types of legal action where actual or potential conflicts of interest preclude their representation by the City Attorney. In some of those cases the City Attorney's Office may serve as counsel for the City and/or for other officers or employees involved in the litigation and, in other instances, the City Attorney's Office may be completely conflicted out.

Risk Management staff manages every aspect of litigation by working closely with outside counsel. This would include facilitating the discovery process, assisting in the development of legal strategy, participating in alternative dispute resolution, and presenting settlements to appropriate City entities for approval. Staff also manages administrative functions including contracting and amendments, payment review and approvals, budget development, and expenditure reporting.