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Introduced by:

2 Proposed No.:

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3 Motion No. 7716

4 A motion proposing an interlocal
5 agreement with the City of Seattle for a
6 case-sharing agreement between Seattle
7 Municipal Court and Seattle District
8 Court.

9 WHEREAS Seattle Municipal Court is burdened with a caseload
10 that threatens to compromise the quality of justice available in
11 the court, and

12 WHEREAS the King County Council firmly believes in
13 encouraging cooperative ventures when those efforts may improve
14 the quality of service to citizens, and;

15 WHEREAS the judges of Seattle District Court have expressed
16 willingness to assist the judges of Seattle Municipal Court in
17 lessening the Municipal Court caseload, and;

18 WHEREAS the Seattle Municipal Court judges have agreed to use
19 their Saturday calendar to hear Seattle District Court cases;

20 NOW THEREFORE BE IT MOVED by the Council of King County:

21 A. The King County Council agrees to work toward adoption of
22 an interlocal agreement with the City of Seattle to implement
23 terms of a case-sharing agreement similar to the Memorandum of
24 Agreement reached on Oct. 3, 1988 between the judges of Seattle
25 District Court and Seattle Municipal Court.


26 B. Terms of the interlocal agreement between the County and
27 the City shall be consistent with the County's contracts for
28 court services with other municipalities.

29 PASSED this 9th day of October, 1989.

30 KING COUNTY COUNCIL
31 KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

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33 Chairman

34 ATTEST:

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36 Clerk of the Council

INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT AMONG
KING COUNTY, THE CITY OF SEATTLE, KING COUNTY DISTRICT
COURT, SEATTLE DISTRICT COURT, AND SEATTLE MUNICIPAL COURT
Case-sharing between Seattle Municipal and King County District Court

THIS IS AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT among King County, a home rule charter county, a political subdivision of the State of Washington, hereinafter referred to as the "County", and the City of Seattle, a municipal corporation of the State of Washington, hereinafter referred to as the "City", the King County District Court, a district courts established pursuant to RCW 3.34, the Seattle District Court, a district court established pursuant to RCW 3.34, and the Seattle Municipal Court, a municipal court established pursuant to RCW 35.20.

WHEREAS King County and the City of Seattle firmly believe in encouraging cooperative ventures when those efforts may improve the quality of service to citizens, and;

WHEREAS the Seattle District Court has expressed willingness to assist the Seattle Municipal Court in lessening the Municipal Court caseload, provided this can be done without compromising their ability to meet the workload of the entire district court system and without compromising the quality of justice in any of the district courts, and;

WHEREAS the Seattle Municipal Court has expressed willingness to use the weekend calendar to hear King County District Court cases;

NOW THEREFORE, pursuant to RCW 39.34, the County and City hereby agree:

1. SERVICES:

a. The Seattle District Court will provide a judge, courtroom and jury assistance with the goal of conducting four jury trials each week for certain criminal cases filed in the Seattle Municipal Court. All other personnel and support services and facilities, including clerks, prosecutors, defense services, jurors, interpreters, witness fees, jail fees, filing and court paperwork and recordkeeping, case review, and probation services, shall be provided by the City. This service shall commence on or about January 2, 1990.

Pro Tem Judges: The City, through its Mayor, agrees to appoint all judges of the King County District Court to serve as pro tem judges and/or magistrates of the Seattle Municipal Court to perform the service set forth in this agreement. The presiding judge of the King County District Court agrees to appoint all Seattle Municipal Court Judges to serve as pro tem judges of the respective courts to perform the services set forth in this agreement. The judges agree to serve in these appointed capacities.

b. The County and City agree in principle that the City will provide judges to hear on weekends King County District Court cases of persons in custody at the King County jail. The details of this service will be worked out in a timely manner. If the parties can agree, this service shall commence on or about February 3, 1990.

2. PROCEDURES:

a. Jury Trials: The court procedures attendant to having the jury trials heard in Seattle District Court will be in a protocol document developed and agreed to by the District Court and the Seattle Municipal Court.

b. Saturday and Sunday Calendars: The procedures attendant to having in-custody cases heard by Seattle Municipal Court will be in a protocol developed and agreed to by the District Court, Municipal Court, Department of Adult Detention, Prosecuting Attorney, Seattle City Attorney, and King County Office of Public Defense.

3. COMPENSATION: This Agreement assumes the Seattle Municipal Court will assign cases most likely to go to trial and likely to require no longer than one court day; such assignments will result in one day per case. In consideration for the District Court services the City shall pay the County One Hundred

Dollars (\$100.00) per case. The County shall bill the City monthly; payment shall be made by the City within forty five (45) days.

The City shall collect all fees and fines associated with the cases heard by the District Court.

4. DURATION: This Agreement is effective January 1, 1990 and shall remain in effect until December 31, 1990 unless terminated earlier by sixty (60) days written notice by any of the parties, provided that termination by either the King County District Court or the Seattle District Court will require the signature of the presiding judge of both of these Courts, respectively.

5. INDEMNIFICATION: The City shall indemnify and hold harmless the County and its officers, agents, and employees, or any of them, from any and all claims, actions, suits, liability, loss, costs, expenses, and damages of any nature whatsoever, by any reason of or arising out of any act or omission of the City, its officers, agents, and employees, or any of them, relating to or arising out of the performance of this contract. In the event that any suit based upon such a claim, action, loss, or damage is brought against the County, the City shall defend the same at its sole cost and expense; provided that the County retains the right to participate in said suit if any principle of governmental or public law is involved; and if final judgement be rendered against the County, and its officers, agents, and employees, or any of them, or jointly against the County and the City and their respective officers, agents, and employees, or any of them, the City shall satisfy the same.

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6. NON-DISCRIMINATION: The County and the City certify that they are Equal Opportunity Employers and have developed and implemented Affirmative Action Programs in accordance with the guidelines in Revised Order 4 of the United State Department of Labor.

7. AUDITS AND INSPECTIONS: The records and documents with respect to all matters covered by this contract shall be subject to inspection, review or audit by the County or City during the term of this contract and three (3) years after termination.

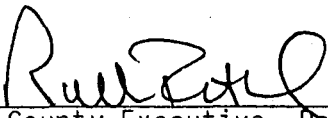
8. EVALUATION/PROBLEM SOLVING: The parties agree to designate representatives to meet as needed to review performance and resolve problems that may arise under this Agreement. The representatives shall meet on or about February 1 and on or about April 1 to review the services described in 1a above and secure any adjustments necessary to the applicable protocol. The representatives shall review the protocol applicable to services agreed to in 1b above. Protocols shall be subject to review by the parties respective fiscal offices.

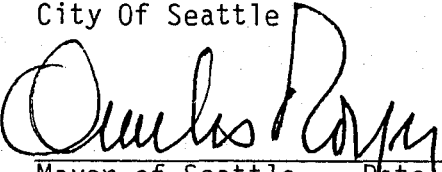
9. AMENDMENTS: This Agreement may be amended at any time by mutual agreement of the parties.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the parties hereto have caused this Agreement to be executed.

King County

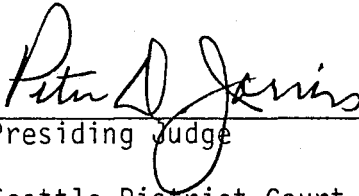
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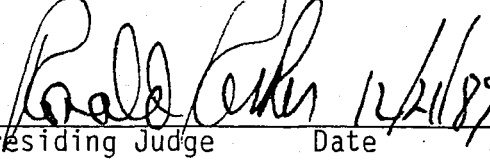

King County Executive Date


Mayor of Seattle Date

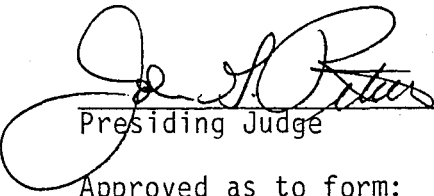
King County District Court

Seattle Municipal Court

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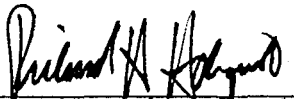
Approved as to form:

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Chief Clerk Deputy

