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MEMORANDUM

TO: Vice Mayor Angie Henderson
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FROM: Allison Bussell, Associate Director of Law

DATE: October 30, 2026

SUBJECT: M.C.L. § 2.40.115; 2026 3rd Quarter Report of Significant Litigation

ATTACHMENT: 2026 3rd Quarter Report of Significant Litigation: Damages Amount Specified

1. The "2026 3rd Quarter Report of Significant Litigation: Damages Amount Specified" lists new cases filed in this quarter in which the *ad damnum* clauses in the complaints request damages greater than $300,000. (Attachment 1)

2. Acronyms that may be used in the Attachment:

ADA:	Americans With Disabilities Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. §§ 12101, *et seq*.
FMLA:	Family and Medical Leave Act, 29 U.S.C. §§ 2601, *et seq*.
IDEA:	Individuals With Disabilities Education Act, 20 U.S.C. §§ 1400, *et seq*.
IIED:	Intentional Infliction of Emotional Distress
NIED:	Negligent Infliction of Emotional Distress
PLRA:	Prison Litigation Reform Act, 28 U.S.C. § 1915, 42 U.S.C. § 1997e
RLUIPA:	Religious Land Use and Institutionalized Persons Act, 2 U.S.C. §§ 2000cc, *et seq*.
SEC. 504:	Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act, 29 U.S.C. §§ 794, *et seq*.
STRUA:	Short-Term Rental Unit Act, Tenn. Code Ann. §§ 13-7-601, *et seq*.

TCPA:	Tennessee Consumer Protection Act, Tenn. Code Ann. § 47-18-101
TDA:	Tennessee Disability Act, Tenn. Code Ann. §§ 8-50-103, -104
TGTLA:	Tennessee Governmental Tort Liability Act, Tenn. Code Ann. §§ 29-20-101, *et seq*.
THRA:	Tennessee Human Rights Act, Tenn. Code Ann. §§ 4-21-101, *et seq*.
TITDA:	Tennessee Identity Theft Deterrence Act, Tenn. Code Ann. §§ 47-18-2101, *et seq*.
Title VI:	Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 42 U.S.C. §§ 2000d, *et seq*.
Title VII:	Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 42 U.S.C. §§ 2000e, *et seq*.
Title IX:	Title IX, Education Amendments of 1972 to the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 20 U.S.C. §§ 1681, *et seq*.
TPPA:	Tennessee Public Protection Act, Tenn. Code Ann. § 50-1-304
TRFRA:	Tennessee Religious Freedom Restoration Act, Tenn. Code Ann. § 4-1-407

ATTACHMENT 1 — DAMAGES NOT SPECIFIED

Case Name	Court	Docket #	Initial demand
Lilly, LaQuenza M. v. Nashville TN Metro Police Department, et al.	U.S.Dist.Ct. M.D.Tenn.	3:24-cv-00066	$5,434,000.00

Damages: Plaintiff alleges Fourth Amendment excessive force arising from an arrest.

Plaintiff	Lilly, Laquenzo Maurice
Defendant	Holland, Stephen
Defendant	Lester, Nathan
Defendant	Cavis, Anthony
Defendant	McCann, Keenan
Opposing Counsel	Pro se
Metro Counsel	Roberge, Melissa
Metro Counsel	Paniagua, Nick

Case Name	Court	Docket #	Initial demand
Clay, Antonia, et al. v. Pitts Rogan, Kiara Rosha, et al.	Circuit Court - Eighth	25C2710	$850,000.00

Damages: Plaintiff claims damages under the GTLA arising from a vehicle accident with a Metro employee.

Plaintiff	Clay, Antonia
Plaintiff	Clay, Dennis
Defendant	Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County
Defendant	Pitts Transport LLC
Defendant	Pitts Rogan, Kiara Rosha
Opposing Counsel	Hannah, Abigail
Metro Counsel	Smith, Allen
Metro Counsel	Dorr, Tyler

Case Name	Court	Docket #	Initial demand
Morise, Michael, et al. v. Metro Gov't, et al.	Circuit Court - Eighth	26C225	$500,000.00

Damages: Plaintiff claims damages under the GTLA arising from a vehicle accident with a Metro employee.

Plaintiff	Morise, Michael Mawyd
Plaintiff	Morise, Heba

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Defendant	Padgett, Hunter Chase
Defendant	Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County
Defendant	Dascoli, Deanna
Counsel: Opposing	Abdelati, Ali
Counsel: Opposing	McLemore, Jay R.
Counsel: Opposing	Ferguson , Donald R.
Metro Counsel	Smith, Allen
Metro Counsel	Dorr, Tyler

Case Name	Court	Docket #	Initial demand
Hanna, Gamil B., et al. v. Metro Gov't, et al.	Circuit Court - Fifth	26C2188	$500,000.00

Damages: Plaintiff claims damages under the GTLA arising from a vehicle accident involving an MTA vehicle.

Plaintiff	Hanna, Enas E.
Plaintiff	Hanna, Gamil B.
Defendant	Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County
Defendant	MTA / Metro Transit Authority
Opposing Counsel	Stanfill, Chadwick W.
Metro Counsel	Heavener, Brook
Metro Counsel	Darnell, Dalton

Case Name	Court	Docket #	Initial demand
Welsch, Virginia, et al. v. Metropolitan Government	Circuit Court - Second	26C2392	$1,500,000.00

Damages: Plaintiff claims damages under the GTLA arising from injuries she sustained on a utility vault cover after leaving a Nashville Predators game.

Plaintiff	Welsch, Virginia
Plaintiff	Muldoon, Michael
Defendant	Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County
Opposing Counsel	Fowler-Green, Melody
Opposing Counsel	Rucker, Rucker & Aymett, PC
Opposing Counsel	Aymett, Jr., J. Stephen
Opposing Counsel	Yezbak Law Offices
Metro Counsel	Lackey, Chris
Metro Counsel	Campbell, Jeff
Metro Counsel	Bowling, Bailey

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Case Name	Court	Docket #	Initial demand
Wynn, James Junior v. Metropolitan Government, et al.	U.S.Dist.Ct. M.D.Tenn.	3:26-cv-01107	$400,000.00

Damages: Plaintiff alleges state and federal civil rights claims arising from his arrest pursuant to a warrant that he claims was facially invalid.

Plaintiff	Wynn, James Junior
Defendant	Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County
Defendant	Pierceall, James
Opposing Counsel	Pro se
Metro Counsel	Puckett, Ben
Metro Counsel	Dohn, Michael