

Board Meeting
September 7, 2006

ROLL CALL

AUTHORIZATION FOR SETTLEMENT

Action: Approve Settlement of Case

Funding: Self-Insurance Fund

The University Counsel recommends that the Board approve settlement of *Dowdell v. Guppy* in the amount of \$340,000. The plaintiff, 50-year-old Melvin Dowdell, alleges that the improper performance of his cervical spine surgery resulted in the need for repeat surgery and additional pain and suffering.

The board action recommended in this item complies in all material respects with applicable State and Federal laws, University of Illinois *Statutes*, *The General Rules Concerning University Organization and Procedure*, and Board of Trustees policies and directives.

The Vice President for Administration concurs.

The President of the University recommends approval.