

REQUEST FOR SPECIAL GOVERNING BODY MEETING

Augusta, Kansas

January 27, 2022

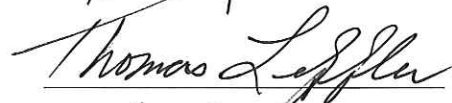
TO: Mike Rawlings
Mayor of Augusta, Kansas

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(b) Special meetings may be called by the mayor or acting mayor, on the written request of any three members of the city council, specifying the object and purpose of such meeting, which request shall be read at a meeting and entered at length on the journal.

Pursuant to Subsection 1-203(b) of City Code, we, the undersigned, city council members of the City of Augusta, Kansas hereby respectfully request you call a special meeting of the governing body at 6:00 p.m. on Friday January 28, 2022 to review and consider approval of a resolution authorizing the city's participation in the opioid litigation settlement and releasing and assigning the city's opioid claims to the Kansas Attorney General and certifying costs attributable to substance abuse and addiction mitigation in excess of \$500.

Signed:



Governing Body Members



AGENDA
CITY OF AUGUSTA
Special Council Meeting
Friday, January 28, 2022
6:00 P.M.

“Augusta – Where the metro’s edge meets the prairie’s serenity offering the perfect blend of opportunity and proximity for living, commerce and culture.”

- A. CALL TO ORDER**
- B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- C. PRAYER**
- D. RECITAL OF REQUEST FOR SPECIAL MEETING**
- E. BUSINESS**
 - 1. RESOLUTION 2022-03 AUTHORIZING PARTICIPATION IN THE OPIOID LITIGATION SETTLEMENT PURSUANT TO HB 2079 THE “KANSAS FIGHTS ADDICTION ACT”**

Consider approval of Resolution 2022-03 approving the execution and delivery of an agreement to release and assign the city’s opioid claims to the Kansas Attorney General and certifying costs attributable to substance abuse and addiction mitigation in excess of \$500.

 - a. Staff Report
 - b. **Council Motion/Vote**
- F. ADJOURNMENT**



CITY OF AUGUSTA CITY COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

Meeting Date: January 28, 2022
 Department: Administration / Public Safety
 Submitted By: Josh Shaw, City Manager
 Prepared By: Josh Shaw, City Manager
 Agenda Title: **Resolution 2022-03 Authorizing Participation in the Opioid Litigation Settlement Pursuant to HB 2079 the “Kansas Fights Addiction Act”**

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Approval of Resolution 2022-03 authorizing the execution and delivery of an agreement to release and assign the city’s opioid claims to the Kansas Attorney General and certifying costs attributable to substance abuse and addiction mitigation in excess of \$500.

BACKGROUND:

Attached for the Council’s review and consideration is an informational sheet from the League of KS Municipalities summarizing recent action by the Kansas legislature. As noted in the informational sheet, “Kansas is part of a multi-state litigation aimed at holding the producers and distributors of opioids accountable for the negative effects that their drugs have had on the American Public.” A settlement offer was agreed upon that will bring up to \$190 million to the State of Kansas from the pharmaceutical companies. Pursuant to the Act, 25% of these funds will be shared by Kansas municipalities split 50/50 between cities and counties. These means that 12.5% of these projected settlement dollars (or est. \$23.75 million) will be distributed to cities that have elected to participate and taken steps to accept the settlement.

These funds are intended either to reimburse cities for past expenses or future expenses related to programs and activities including law enforcement that prevent, reduce, treat, or mitigate the effects of substance abuse and addiction. Cities may also partner with non-profits or pool their money with other municipalities for projects to help address opioid addiction and abuse.

The previous deadline for participation noted in the attached Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) was January 1, 2022, but this deadline was extended to January 31, 2022 according to the League of KS Municipalities. Accordingly, three council members have requested a special meeting on January 28th to consider approval of the resolution to participate in the opioid settlement. If the City does not pass this resolution and submit the paperwork before January 31, 2021, we will not have an opportunity to participate in this settlement or future settlements and our money will go back into the pool and will increase the per capita allocations to other participating cities.

ANALYSIS:

The City of Augusta did not file its own lawsuit against these pharmaceutical companies and is subsequently barred from filing its own lawsuit by the State legislation HB 2079. The only way for the City of Augusta to benefit from the settlement is to take action by passing the attached resolution and submitting the required exhibit forms (see attached). After speaking with Public Safety Director Todd Ackerman, staff can affirm that we have met the minimum threshold of \$500 in expenses through personnel costs associated with public safety department employee responses to overdose calls.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The League of KS Municipalities estimates that the legal settlement will result in an approximately \$5 - \$10 per capita in settlement funds (although the final numbers are not fully known and will be adjusted depending on how many cities participate in the settlement). Based on Augusta's census population of 9,256 for the year 2020, this amounts to approximately \$46,000 - \$92,000. However, this is not expected to be a lump sum payment and will likely be distributed over time in multiple smaller payments.

This money must be segregated in a separate account to be utilized for eligible expenses.

Department Head Approval Date:**City Manager Approval Date:** 01/28/2022**City Attorney Approval Date:****Attachments:**

1. Proposed Resolution 2022-03
2. LKM Opioid Settlement Informational Sheet
3. LKM Memorandum of Understanding
4. Exhibit A – Agreement to Release and Assign Claims
5. Exhibit K – Settlement Participation Form Distributors
6. Exhibit K – Settlement Participation Form Janssen

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-03

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF AUGUSTA, KANSAS, APPROVING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF AN AGREEMENT TO RELEASE AND ASSIGN THE CITY'S OPIOID CLAIMS TO THE KANSAS ATTORNEY GENERAL AND CERTIFYING COSTS ATTRIBUTABLE TO SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND ADDICTION MITIGATION IN EXCESS OF \$500.

WHEREAS, in 2021, the Kansas Legislature enacted HB 2079, the Kansas Fights Addiction Act (the "Act"), authorizing litigating municipalities such as the City of Augusta to access opioid litigation settlement funds and become eligible for certain state grants by entering an agreement releasing the city's opioid litigation claims to the Attorney General and assigning any future opioid litigation claims to the Attorney General (the "Agreement"); and

WHEREAS, the City of Augusta sustained damages related to the opioid epidemic; and

WHEREAS, the City of Augusta desires to enter an Agreement releasing and assigning its Claims to the Attorney General in order to access opioid litigation settlement funds and become eligible for certain state grants;

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF AUGUSTA, KANSAS:

Section 1. Authorization of the Agreement. City hereby authorizes the release of its legal claims arising from covered conduct to the Attorney General, and the assignment of any future legal claims arising from covered conduct to the Attorney General, pursuant to the Agreement by and between the Attorney General and the City in substantially the form presented to and reviewed by the governing body at this meeting (copies of this document shall be on file in the records of the City), with such changes therein as shall be reviewed by the City Attorney and the officials of the City executing such documents.

Section 2. Execution of the Agreement. The Mayor, City Manager, City Attorney and City Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute, seal, attest and deliver the Agreement in substantially the form presented to and reviewed by the governing body at this meeting and such other settlement agreements, documents, certificates and instruments as may be necessary and desirable to carry out and comply with the intent of this Resolution, for and on behalf of the City.

Section 3. Certification of Costs and Expenses. The City hereby certifies that it has incurred costs and expenses related to substance abuse or addiction mitigation in excess of \$500 and the City can utilize the opioid litigation settlement funds for the lawful purposes established in the Kansas Fights Addiction Act and the settlement agreements. The City Manager and City Attorney are hereby authorized to execute, seal, attest and deliver such other documents, certificates and instruments as may be necessary and desirable to certify these costs and expenses or similar costs and expenses, for and on behalf of the City.

Section 4. Effective Date. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its adoption.

ADOPTED this 28th day of January, 2022 and **SIGNED** by the Mayor.

Mayor Mike L. Rawlings

Attested:

City Clerk Erica Jones

REVIEWED AND APPROVED AS TO FORM:

City Attorney

Notes

1. This resolution is intended to capture the minimum requirements of the Act; authorizing the city to enter into an agreement to release and assign any and all current and future opioid claims and certifying city costs associated with opioid abuse treatment and mitigation in excess of \$500. In addition to those necessary components, the draft resolution authorizes city manager or administrator and/or the mayor to execute the agreements necessary for the city to have access to the settlement funds on behalf of the city.
2. The italicized “Whereas” clause will not be necessary unless your city has filed opioid litigation independent of the state.
3. This resolution and any agreements entered into pursuant to the resolution should be reviewed by the city attorney.

Opioid Settlement Informational Sheet

Kansas is part of the multi-state litigation aimed at holding the producers and distributors of opioids accountable for the negative effects that their drugs have had on the American public. In 2021, the State Legislature passed HB 2079 to govern the distribution of settlement funds. The bill requires 75% of settlement funds to go to the state and 25% of these funds to be split between municipal governments. Pursuant to this legislation, the League, the Kansas Association of Counties, and the Attorney General's office are finalizing a required Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) governing how the local funds will be split and used.

In order to receive settlement funds, your city will need to certify previous or expected costs to the city of at least \$500, agree to spend any settlement funds for lawful purposes, and waive any remaining claims related to the opioid litigation. **It is important to note** that any city not having already filed a lawsuit on their own is barred from doing so by HB 2079. So, if your city is a non-litigating city, meaning that you have not filed opioid litigation on your own independent of the state, then going through these steps will be the only way that your city can receive settlement funds.

Certifying Costs and Agreeing to Spend Funds on Lawful Purposes

Your city will be required to certify, **by resolution**, that the city has had or will have at least \$500 in costs related to opioid abuse or addiction mitigation and that the city is able to utilize any settlement funds on purposes approved in the MOU and the various settlements. The League's sample resolution will, among other things, certify costs and the ability to spend on lawful purposes as required.

- **Question 1: What are approved purposes?**
 - Approved purposes will likely include projects and activities, including law enforcement, that prevent, reduce, treat, or mitigate the effects of substance abuse and addiction. Language in the various settlements and the finalized MOU will offer more clarity on this. Cities will be able to partner with non-profit entities or pool money with other municipalities to use the settlement funds on projects well suited to address the problems brought on by opioid addiction and abuse.

- **Question 2: What can be included as we calculate costs?**
 - Generally any public funds spent on opioid abuse mitigation and treatment can be included when calculating if your city meets that \$500 threshold. Examples we have heard from cities have been the cost of Narcan kits and the personnel costs to emergency agencies (Fire, EMS, and Police) in responding to overdose calls.

Waiving Claims

Your city will also be required to enter various agreements waiving any future claims that the city may have against various producers and distributors arising from conduct covered by the state settlement. All cities wishing to receive settlement funds will be required to enter the MOU. In addition to the MOU, cities wishing to receive funds will need to enter agreements with other entities (as of now Johnson & Johnson and a collection of distributors). Where you can find this release and how it will be submitted will vary by city population:

- **Cities with population of 10,000 or more.**
 - You should have received a notice from the National Opioids Settlement Administrator. This notice will include directions on how to register for the national settlement site and will include a code unique to your city allowing you to register for the site. Once registered, you will be sent the settlement release forms for the distributor's settlement and the J&J settlement that can be signed online by anyone with authorization to do so. If you have not received this notice, send an email to jgoodyear@lkm.org.
- **Cities with population of less than 10,000**
 - You will still need to sign these releases in order to have access to funds, but you will not be able to do so online. Instead, you will be required to submit an Exhibit K form. These forms will be a PDF and there will be one for the Distributors settlement and one for the Janssen (Johnson & Johnson) settlement. The forms can be found on the League's website, on the Kansas Fights Addiction Act page https://www.lkm.org/page/Opioid_Settlement. In order to participate and receive funds, your city will need to fill out, sign, and submit both forms to participation@nationalopioidsettlement.com
- **Question 1: Who can sign the MOU and these settlement releases and agreements on behalf of the city?**
 - Release of these claims will require action by the governing body. Some cities have begun passing resolutions releasing claims and authorizing city personnel or a city official (ex: city manager or administrator, or mayor) to enter the agreements

necessary to effectuate that waiver. The League has developed a sample resolution doing just that. While you will not be required to pass such a resolution, it may be easier for the city to do so; authorizing one official to act on the city's behalf instead of waiting until all agreements are ready and finalized to hold a special meeting of the governing body to take up each agreement.

Sample Resolution

The League, in consult with some city attorneys, has drafted a sample resolution to certify city costs, affirm that the city will only spend the funds on permissible purposes, and authorize a city official to execute any agreements that are necessary for the city to receive settlement funds. We urge you to work with your city attorney as you make modifications to the resolution to make it fit your city.

Submission of the Resolution and Signed MOU

Once your city has passed a resolution certifying costs and has signed Exhibit A of the MOU, those signed documents must be submitted to the Attorney General's Office. The completed Exhibit A and the resolution can be submitted on the Attorney General's Opioid page: <https://ag.ks.gov/opioids>. There you will find a link to a Subdivision Settlement Document Submission Form where you will be required to fill in some information and upload the forms.

More Questions? Contact jgoodyear@lkm.org

**Kansas Opioids Memorandum of Understanding between the Attorney General, the
League of Kansas Municipalities, and the Kansas Association of Counties**

Whereas the people of the State of Kansas and its communities have been harmed by the Opioid Epidemic due to the misfeasance, nonfeasance, and malfeasance committed by certain entities within the Pharmaceutical Supply Chain; and

Whereas, the State of Kansas, through its Attorney General, and certain Political Subdivisions, through their elected representatives and counsel, that separately have claims or potential claims seek to hold Pharmaceutical Supply Chain Participants accountable for the damages caused by their misfeasance, nonfeasance, and malfeasance; and

Whereas, the State of Kansas, through its Attorney General and its Political Subdivisions share a common desire to abate and alleviate the impacts of the opioid epidemic caused by that misfeasance, nonfeasance, and malfeasance throughout the State of Kansas; and

Whereas, in furtherance of that goal, during the 2021 Legislative Session, the Kansas Legislature passed the Kansas Fights Addiction Act, House Bill 2079, to address the use of funds received from opioid litigation and establish limits on future opioid litigation by municipalities; and

Whereas, House Bill 2079 contemplates the distribution of settlement funds received from the opioid litigation to non-litigating municipalities and litigating municipalities who have entered into an agreement to waive their claims according to a formula negotiated between the Attorney General, the League of Kansas Municipalities, and the Kansas Association of Counties; and

Whereas, Kansas's share of settlement funds from certain national settlement agreements will be maximized only if all necessary Kansas Political Subdivisions participate; and

Whereas, the intent of the Kansas Fights Addiction Act and this Memorandum are to capture all funds dedicated by any settlement agreement to the State or to any Kansas Political Subdivision, including funds dedicated by the terms of any settlement agreement solely for the use by the State or by a Kansas Political Subdivision.

Whereas the moneys in the Municipalities Fight Addiction Fund shall be expended for projects and activities that prevent, reduce, treat, or mitigate the effects of substance abuse and addiction or to reimburse the municipality for previous expenses related to substance abuse mitigation or arising from covered conduct.

Now, therefore, the State of Kansas and its Political Subdivisions through their respective representatives, the League of Kansas Municipalities and the Kansas Association of Counties, subject to completing formal documents effectuating the Parties' agreement, enter this Memorandum

of Understanding ("MOU") to maximize and facilitate the distribution of the proceeds of national settlement agreements allocated to the State of Kansas and its Political Subdivisions.

A. Definitions

As used in this MOU:

1. "Approved Purpose(s)" shall mean projects and activities, including, but not limited to law enforcement, that prevent, reduce, treat, or mitigate the effects of substance abuse and addiction or to reimburse the State or Political Subdivisions for previous expenses related to substance abuse mitigation or arising from covered conduct, subject to any limitations on uses imposed on specific Settlement Funds by any agreement entitling the State or Political Subdivision to those Settlement Funds. Moneys in the Municipalities Fight Addiction fund may also be used by State and Political Subdivisions for the payment of litigation costs, expenses or attorney fees related to opioid litigation, except that a Political Subdivision shall first seek payment from applicable outside settlement sources or settlement fee funds prior to utilizing moneys from the Municipalities Fight Addiction fund for such payments, expenses, or fees.
2. "Covered Conduct" shall mean any conduct covered by opioid litigation that resulted in payment of moneys into the Kansas Fights Addiction fund.
3. "Expanded Population" shall be the sum of the population of all Political Subdivisions in the State, notwithstanding that persons may be included within the population of more than one Political Subdivision.
4. "Maximizing Settlement" refers collectively to the J&J National Settlement, the Distributor National Settlement, the Purdue Bankruptcy Settlement, the Mallinckrodt Bankruptcy Settlement, Insys Bankruptcy Settlement, and any future settlements that utilize a bonus structure for litigating entity and/or population participation.
 - a. "J&J National Settlement" means a national settlement agreement with Johnson & Johnson and its related corporate entities concerning alleged misconduct in the manufacture, marketing, promotion, reporting, distribution, and/or dispensing of opioids.
 - b. "Distributor National Settlement" means a national settlement agreement with pharmaceutical distributors AmerisourceBergen, Cardinal Health, McKesson, and their related corporate entities concerning alleged misconduct in the marketing, promotion, reporting, distribution, and/or dispensing of opioids.
 - c. "Purdue Bankruptcy Settlement" means any national settlement with non-federal government entities, including States and their political subdivisions, in the Purdue Bankruptcy Plan as approved by the Court in *In re: Purdue Purdue Pharma, L.P.*, Case No. 19-23648, which is pending in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York.
 - d. "Mallinckrodt Bankruptcy Settlement" means any national settlement with non-federal government entities, including State and their political subdivisions in the Mallinckrodt Bankruptcy Plan as approved by the Court in *In re: Mallinckrodt PLC*,

et al., Case No. 20-12522, which is pending in the United States Bankruptcy Court or the District of Delaware.

- e. "Insys Bankruptcy Settlement" means any national settlement with non-federal government entities, including States and their political subdivisions in the Insys Bankruptcy Plan as approved by the Court in *In re: Insys Therapeutics, Inc., et al.*, Case No. 19-11292, which is pending in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware.
5. "Maximizing Settlement Funds" refers collectively to the J&J National Settlement Funds, the Distributor National Settlement Funds, the Purdue Bankruptcy Settlement Funds, the Mallinckrodt Bankruptcy Settlement Funds, Insys Bankruptcy Settlement Funds, and any future settlements that utilize a bonus structure for litigating entity and/or population participation.
 - a. "J&J Settlement Funds" shall mean monetary amounts allocated to the State of Kansas and its political subdivisions in the J&J National Settlement.
 - b. "Distributor National Settlement Funds" shall mean monetary amounts allocated to the State of Kansas and its political subdivisions in the Distributor National Settlement.
 - c. "Purdue Bankruptcy Settlement Funds" shall mean monetary amounts allocated to the State of Kansas and its political subdivisions in the Purdue Bankruptcy Settlement.
 - d. "Mallinckrodt Bankruptcy Settlement Funds" shall mean monetary amounts allocated to the State of Kansas and its political subdivisions in the Mallinckrodt Bankruptcy Settlement.
 - e. "Insys Bankruptcy Settlement Funds" shall mean monetary amounts allocated to the State of Kansas and its political subdivisions in the Insys Bankruptcy Settlement.
 6. "Parties" shall mean the State of Kansas, the League of Kansas Municipalities, and the Kansas Association of Counties.
 7. "Pharmaceutical Supply Chain" shall mean the process and channel through which opioids or opioid products are manufactured, marketed, promoted, distributed, dispensed, or prescribed.
 8. "Pharmaceutical Supply Chain Participants" shall mean any entity that engages in or has engaged in the manufacture, marketing, promotion, reporting, distribution, dispensing of, or prescription of any opioid analgesic.
 9. "Political Subdivision" shall mean any Kansas city or county.
 - a. "Litigating City" or "Litigating County" shall mean a Political Subdivision that filed or became a party to opioid litigation in court prior to January 1, 2021, or received approval from the Attorney General to file or become a party to opioid

litigation and has filed or become a party to opioid litigation on or after January 1, 2021.

- b. "Nonlitigating City" or "Nonlitigating County" shall mean a Political Subdivision that has not filed or became a party to opioid litigation.
10. "Population" shall refer to the published Certified Kansas Population by County estimates produced by the Kansas Division of the Budget released on July 1, 2021.
 11. "Release and Assignment Agreement" shall mean an agreement between the Attorney General and a Litigating City or Litigating County, by which a Litigating City or Litigating County releases its legal claims arising from covered conduct to the Attorney General and assigns any future legal claims arising from covered conduct to the Attorney General, in substantially the same form of the agreement attached hereto as Exhibit A.
 12. "Standard Settlement" shall mean a negotiated pre-judgement resolution of legal or equitable claims against a Pharmaceutical Supply Chain Participant that includes the State and Political Subdivisions. Standard Settlement shall not include any Maximizing Settlement.
 13. "Standard Settlement Funds" shall mean base monetary amounts obtained through a settlement before any bonus structure for litigating entity and/or population participation. Standard Settlement Funds do not include any Maximizing Settlement Funds.
 14. "State" shall mean the State of Kansas acting through its Attorney General.
 15. "Settlement Funds" shall mean Standard Settlement Funds and Maximizing Settlement Funds.

B. Allocation of Standard Settlement Funds

1. All Standard Settlement Funds shall be divided with 25% going to the Municipalities Fight Addiction Fund and 75% going to the Kansas Fights Addiction Fund.
2. The 25% of Standard Settlement Funds going to the Municipalities Fight Addiction Fund shall be divided with 50% going to cities and 50% going to counties.
3. The city share of the Standard Settlement Funds of the Municipalities Fight Addiction Fund shall be allocated per capita by population of each city subject to the following:
 - a. Any Litigating City that enters a Release and Assignment Agreement prior to January 1, 2022, shall be entitled to Standard Settlement Funds. In the event a Litigating City does not enter a Release and Assignment Agreement prior to January 1, 2022, the allocation percentage for said City shall be redistributed equally per capita to the remaining eligible cities.

- b. To be eligible for an allocation of Standard Settlement Funds, prior to January 1, 2022, nonlitigating cities must pass a resolution stating the city has previous or expected expenses related to substance abuse or addiction mitigation or other covered conduct in excess of \$500 and the city can utilize the Standard Settlement Funds in accordance with the approved purposes. This resolution must be submitted to the Attorney General along with any other required documents necessary to distribute funds. In the event a Nonlitigating City does not pass such resolution prior to January 1, 2022, the allocation percentage for said City shall be redistributed equitably to the remaining eligible cities.
 - c. In the event an eligible city merges, dissolves, or ceases to exist, the allocation percentage for said City shall be redistributed equitably to the remaining eligible cities.
4. The county share of the Standard Settlement Funds of the Municipalities Fight Addiction Fund shall be allocated per capita by population of each county subject to the following:
- a. Any Litigating County that enters a Release and Assignment Agreement prior to January 1, 2022, shall be entitled to Standard Settlement Funds. In the event a Litigating County does not enter a Release and Assignment Agreement prior to January 1, 2022, the allocation percentage for said County shall be redistributed equally per capita to the remaining eligible counties.
 - b. To be eligible for an allocation of Standard Settlement Funds, prior to January 1, 2022, nonlitigating counties must pass a resolution stating the county has previous or expected expenses related to substance abuse or addiction mitigation or other covered conduct in excess of \$500 and the county can utilize the Standard Settlement Funds in accordance with the approved purposes. This resolution must be submitted to the Attorney General along with any other required documents necessary to distribute funds. In the event a Nonlitigating County does not pass such resolution prior to January 1, 2022, the allocation percentage for said County shall be redistributed equitably to the remaining eligible counties.
 - c. In the event an eligible county merges, dissolves, or ceases to exist, the allocation percentage for said County shall be redistributed equitably to the remaining eligible counties.
5. The Political Subdivision share shall be paid directly to the Political Subdivision to be held in a segregated account to be used for Approved Purposes. Funds in this special revenue fund shall not be commingled with any other money or fund of the city or county. Although Political Subdivisions may make contracts with or grants to a nonprofit, charity, or other entity, Political Subdivisions may not assign to another entity their rights to receive payments from the Municipalities Fight Addiction Fund.

C. Allocation of Maximizing Settlement Funds

1. All Maximizing Settlement Funds shall be divided with 25% going to the Municipalities Fight Addiction Fund and 75% going to the Kansas Fights Addiction Fund.
2. The 25% of Maximizing Settlement Funds going to the Municipalities Fight Addiction Fund shall be divided with 50% allocated to cities and 50% allocated to counties.
3. The city and county shares of the Maximizing Settlement Funds of the Municipalities Fight Addiction Fund shall be allocated per capita **subject to** the following:
 - a. Any Litigating City or Litigating County that enters a Release and Assignment Agreement prior to January 1, 2022 shall be entitled Maximizing Settlement Funds. In the event a Litigating City or Litigating County does not enter a Release and Assignment Agreement prior to January 1, 2022, the allocation percentage, if any, for said City or County shall be redistributed equally per capita, subject to section C.3.c. and C.3.d below, to the remaining eligible cities and counties.
 - b. To be eligible for an allocation of Maximizing Settlement Funds, prior to January 1, 2022, nonlitigating cities and counties must pass a resolution, consistent with paragraphs B.3.b. and B.4.b. above, stating the city or county has previous or expected expenses related to substance abuse or addiction mitigation or other covered conduct in excess of \$500 and the county can utilize the Maximizing Settlement Funds in accordance with the approved purposes. This resolution must be submitted to the Attorney General along with any other required documents necessary to distribute funds. In the event a Nonlitigating City or County does not pass such resolution prior to January 1, 2022, the allocation percentage for said City or County, if any, shall be redistributed equally per capita, subject to section C.3.c. and C.3.d below, to the remaining eligible cities and counties.
 - c. The allocation of Maximizing Settlement Funds to the cities shall be distributed:
 - i. to Litigating Cities that have entered a Release and Assignment Agreement according to each such Litigating City's population proportional to the total population of all cities in Kansas, multiplied by 1.25; and
 - ii. the balance, thereof, distributed to all eligible non-litigating cities, according to each such City's population proportional to the total population of all cities in Kansas.
 - d. The allocation of Maximizing Settlement Funds to the counties shall be distributed as follows:
 - i. 50% of the total allocation of Maximizing Settlement Funds to the counties shall be distributed to all counties, subject to the limitation of sections C.3.a. and C.3.b, in Kansas, according to each such county's population proportional to the total population of all counties in Kansas;

- ii. 50% of the total allocation of Maximizing Settlement Funds to the counties shall be distributed to the Litigating Counties that have entered a Release and Assignment Agreement and shall be dispersed per capita proportional to the total population of Litigating Counties;
- iii. This 50% assumes that 100% of Litigating Counties are participating. If less than 100% of Litigating Counties participate, this 50% to the Litigating Counties is reduced by the corresponding reduction in the settlement.
 - 1. For example, in the Distributors' Settlement Incentive B, if only 95% of the Litigating Subdivisions participate, the incentive is lowered from 100% to 60%. In that instance, the Maximizing Settlement Funds to the Litigating Counties would be 30% ($50\% (.5) \times 60\% (.6)$).
- iv. Nothing in paragraph C.3.d.ii., shall prohibit a Litigating County from being awarded a distribution pursuant to paragraph C.3.d.i.
- e. Maximizing Settlement Funds shall be distributed directly to the eligible Political Subdivisions, both cities and counties, by the Attorney General or in some other manner consistent with the provisions 2021 Kansas House Bill 2079.
- f. Maximizing Settlement Funds distributed to the eligible Political Subdivisions shall be held in a segregated account by the respective Political Subdivisions to be used for Approved Purposes. Funds in this special revenue fund shall not be commingled with any other money or fund of the Political Subdivision. Although Political Subdivisions may make contracts with or grants to a nonprofit, charity, or other entity, they may not assign to another entity their rights to receive Maximizing Settlement Funds.

D. Use of Settlement Funds

1. Regardless of allocation, all Settlement Funds shall be used in a manner consistent with the Approved Purposes. Prior to using any Settlement Funds as reimbursement for previous expenses related to substance abuse mitigation or arising from covered conduct, a Political Subdivision shall pass a resolution stating that its previous expenses related to substance abuse mitigation or arising from covered conduct are greater than or equal to the amount of funds that the Political subdivision seeks to use for reimbursement. Each Political Subdivision that receives any Settlement Funds shall request moneys, report on expenditures, and monitor the use of Settlement Funds consistent with the terms of this MOU, Kansas State Law, and with the terms of any Maximizing Settlement which provides funds to the Municipalities Fights Addiction Fund.
2. If a Political Subdivision spends any Settlement Funds on an expenditure inconsistent with the terms of this MOU, the political subdivision shall have 60 days after discovery of the expenditure to cure the inconsistent expenditure through payment of such amount for Approved Purposes

through budget amendment or repayment.

3. Political Subdivisions may pool Settlement Funds with other Political Subdivisions to cooperatively expend pooled Settlement Funds for Approved Purposes or deposit their Settlement Funds in the Kansas Fights Addiction fund to be distributed by the Kansas Fights Addiction grant review board.
4. Litigating Cities and Litigating Counties may only use their own respective shares of Settlement Funds to reimburse the payment of litigation costs, expenses or attorney fees related to opioid litigation. In order for Litigating Cities and Litigating Counties to use Settlement Funds from the Municipalities Fight Addiction Fund to reimburse the payment of litigation costs, expenses or attorney fees related to opioid litigation, such Litigating City or Litigating County must first seek payment from applicable outside settlement sources or settlement fee funds, consistent with 2021 Kansas House Bill No. 2079.

E. Distribution of Settlement Funds

1. Prior to the initial distribution, and in no event later than March 1, 2022, the Parties shall negotiate a Settlement Funds Distribution Procedure. The Settlement Funds Distribution Procedure will operate as an extension of this agreement, and shall be interpreted as incorporated within this agreement in whole.
2. For 2022, Settlement Funds shall be distributed as soon as reasonably practicable, and, such funds shall be distributed no later than June 1, 2022.
3. For all years after 2022, Settlement Funds shall be distributed annually no later than April 1 of the respective year.
4. Expenses for the administration of the distribution of settlement funds, pursuant to the Settlement Funds Distribution Procedure, shall be shared proportionally among the Parties.

F. Enforcement

1. This MOU is enforceable only by the parties. Political Subdivisions shall not have direct enforcement rights under this MOU; *however*, Political Subdivisions shall have the right to bring disputes arising from the terms of this MOU to (i) the League of Kansas Municipalities for cities; (ii) the Kansas Association of Counties for counties, or (iii) to the Kansas Attorney General's Office for either cities or counties. Any party receiving a dispute from a Political Subdivision must comply with the terms of the dispute resolution terms of this MOU within 30 days of receipt of the dispute from the Political Subdivision.

2. If a Party has a dispute under the terms of this MOU, either on its behalf or on the behalf of a Political Subdivision, the Party shall notify the remaining Parties about the dispute. Within 45 days of notice of a dispute and at the earliest convenience of all involved, the Parties shall meet and confer to resolve the dispute. Any resolution to the dispute shall be agreed upon by unanimous agreement of the parties and reduced to writing. In the event that the dispute is raised by a Party on behalf of a Political Subdivision, the writing detailing the resolution shall be delivered to the Political Subdivision within 30 days of the date of the resolution.
3. In the event that the parties are unable to reach a unanimous resolution, the disputing party may seek enforcement of the terms of the MOU in the District Court of Shawnee County, Kansas.

G. Amendments

The Parties agree to make such amendments as necessary to implement the intent of this agreement.

H. Preservation of Records

Any Political Subdivision receiving Settlement Funds shall maintain for a period of at least three years, records of all Settlement Fund expenditures and documents underlying those expenditures, so that it can be verified that these funds are being or have been utilized in a manner consistent with this MOU.

J. Notice of Additional Settlements

The State of Kansas, through the Office of the Attorney General shall, in a timely manner, notify the parties to this agreement of the receipt of settlement funds and any new settlements subject to disbursement according to this agreement. Notice may be given in any manner reasonably calculated to inform the parties of the action having taken place.

K. Conflicts with other Agreements

The parties to this MOU acknowledge that the purpose and intent of this agreement is to combat the opioid crisis by creating a strategy tailored to Kansas in compliance with House Bill 2079. Therefore, by entering into this agreement, the parties agree and acknowledge that the distribution, expenditure, and oversight of opioid funds as discussed herein shall be governed by this MOU. This MOU, its exhibits, attachments, and amendments, if any, contains the entire agreement between the Parties. If any term contained in this MOU conflicts with any allocation plan, apportionment plan, distribution methodology, or abatement plan that is created by, or subject to the discretion of, some other individual, entity, or court outside the State of Kansas, the parties agree that the terms of this MOU shall control.

L. Counterparts

This MOU may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which shall constitute an original and all of which together shall constitute the same MOU. This MOU may be executed via electronic signature and may be considered to have the same legal effect as if it were the original signed version.

M. Waiver

The failure by a party to strictly enforce this MOU shall not constitute a waiver by that party under this MOU.

N. Governing Law

This MOU shall be construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Kansas.

O. Severability

In the event any provision of this MOU is found to be invalid or unenforceable, that provision shall be stricken and the remainder of the MOU shall be applied as if the stricken provision were not part of the MOU.

Exhibit A — Agreement to Release and Assign Claims

BETWEEN:

[_____], (the “Assignor”), a municipality as defined by Kansas Statutes Annotated §12-105a, or other Political Subdivision, located within the State of Kansas, with its principal business office located at:

[_____]

AND:

Derek Schmidt, the duly elected Attorney General of the State of Kansas, with a principal business office located at:

The Office of the Kansas Attorney General
120 SW 10th Ave., 2nd Floor
Topeka, KS 66612

FOR VALUE CONTEMPLATED, to gain access to money recovered by the State of Kansas for the abatement or remediation of substance abuse or addiction, made available by the Kansas Fights Addiction Act, 2021 Kansas House Bill No. 2079, consistent with **Kansas Opioids Memorandum of Understanding between the Kansas Attorney General, the League of Kansas Municipalities, and the Kansas Association of Counties**, and to permit as adopted by resolution passed by the Assignor on [_____], the Assignor hereby releases its legal claims, and transfers and assigns to the Assignee, his successors, assigns, deputies, assistants, and personal representatives, any and all claims, demands, and cause or causes of actions on any kind whatsoever which the undersigned has or may have against any opioid manufacturer, distributor, and/or pharmacy, or entity within the Pharmaceutical Supply Chain, arising from the following type of claim:

Any and all claims arising out of “covered conduct” and “opioid litigation” as defined by 2021 Kansas House Bill No. 2079, and any and all claims on file by Assignor in MDL Case No. 1:17-md-2804, if any.

And the undersigned may in the name of the State of Kansas and for the benefit of the State of Kansas as defined by state law, 2021 House Bill No. 2079, and consistent with Kansas Opioids Memorandum of Understanding between the Attorney General, the League of Kansas Municipalities, and the Kansas Association of Counties, prosecute, collect, settle, compromise and grant releases on said claim as in his sole discretions deems advisable.

Any failure of the Assignor to comply with any requirement of the Memorandum of Understanding, the Kansas Fights Addiction Act, any other provision of Kansas law, or any reporting, requesting, monitoring, or other provision of any opioid settlement agreement which produces money governed by the Kansas Fights Addiction Act, may result in the suspension, termination, or other cessation of future payments to the Assignor from any fund established in the Kansas Fights Addiction Act.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, the parties have executed this Assignment on the day and year first above written.

Signed, sealed and delivered in the presence of:

ASSIGNOR

Authorized Signature

Print Name and Title

ASSIGNEE

Authorized Signature

Derek Schmidt, Kansas Attorney General
Office of the Kansas Attorney General

Settlement Participation Form

Governmental Entity:	State:
Authorized Signatory:	
Address 1:	
Address 2:	
City, State, Zip:	
Phone:	
Email:	

The governmental entity identified above (“Governmental Entity”), in order to obtain and in consideration for the benefits provided to the Governmental Entity pursuant to the Settlement Agreement dated July 21, 2021 (“Distributor Settlement”), and acting through the undersigned authorized official, hereby elects to participate in the Distributor Settlement, release all Released Claims against all Released Entities, and agrees as follows.

1. The Governmental Entity is aware of and has reviewed the Distributor Settlement, understands that all terms in this Election and Release have the meanings defined therein, and agrees that by this Election, the Governmental Entity elects to participate in the Distributor Settlement and become a Participating Subdivision as provided therein.
2. The Governmental Entity shall, within 14 days of the Reference Date and prior to the filing of the Consent Judgment, dismiss with prejudice any Released Claims that it has filed.
3. The Governmental Entity agrees to the terms of the Distributor Settlement pertaining to Subdivisions as defined therein.
4. By agreeing to the terms of the Distributor Settlement and becoming a Releasor, the Governmental Entity is entitled to the benefits provided therein, including, if applicable, monetary payments beginning after the Effective Date.
5. The Governmental Entity agrees to use any monies it receives through the Distributor Settlement solely for the purposes provided therein.
6. The Governmental Entity submits to the jurisdiction of the court in the Governmental Entity’s state where the Consent Judgment is filed for purposes limited to that court’s role as provided in, and for resolving disputes to the extent provided in, the Distributor Settlement.
7. The Governmental Entity has the right to enforce the Distributor Settlement as provided therein.

8. The Governmental Entity, as a Participating Subdivision, hereby becomes a Releasor for all purposes in the Distributor Settlement, including but not limited to all provisions of Part XI, and along with all departments, agencies, divisions, boards, commissions, districts, instrumentalities of any kind and attorneys, and any person in their official capacity elected or appointed to serve any of the foregoing and any agency, person, or other entity claiming by or through any of the foregoing, and any other entity identified in the definition of Releasor, provides for a release to the fullest extent of its authority. As a Releasor, the Governmental Entity hereby absolutely, unconditionally, and irrevocably covenants not to bring, file, or claim, or to cause, assist or permit to be brought, filed, or claimed, or to otherwise seek to establish liability for any Released Claims against any Released Entity in any forum whatsoever. The releases provided for in the Distributor Settlement are intended by the Parties to be broad and shall be interpreted so as to give the Released Entities the broadest possible bar against any liability relating in any way to Released Claims and extend to the full extent of the power of the Governmental Entity to release claims. The Distributor Settlement shall be a complete bar to any Released Claim.
9. The Governmental Entity hereby takes on all rights and obligations of a Participating Subdivision as set forth in the Distributor Settlement.
10. In connection with the releases provided for in the Distributor Settlement, each Governmental Entity expressly waives, releases, and forever discharges any and all provisions, rights, and benefits conferred by any law of any state or territory of the United States or other jurisdiction, or principle of common law, which is similar, comparable, or equivalent to § 1542 of the California Civil Code, which reads:

General Release; extent. A general release does not extend to claims that the creditor or releasing party does not know or suspect to exist in his or her favor at the time of executing the release that, if known by him or her, would have materially affected his or her settlement with the debtor or released party.

A Releasor may hereafter discover facts other than or different from those which it knows, believes, or assumes to be true with respect to the Released Claims, but each Governmental Entity hereby expressly waives and fully, finally, and forever settles, releases and discharges, upon the Effective Date, any and all Released Claims that may exist as of such date but which Releasors do not know or suspect to exist, whether through ignorance, oversight, error, negligence or through no fault whatsoever, and which, if known, would materially affect the Governmental Entities' decision to participate in the Distributor Settlement.
11. Nothing herein is intended to modify in any way the terms of the Distributor Settlement, to which Governmental Entity hereby agrees. To the extent this Election and Release is interpreted differently from the Distributor Settlement in any respect, the Distributor Settlement controls.

I swear under penalty of perjury that I have all necessary power and authorization to execute this Election and Release on behalf of the Governmental Entity.

Signature: _____

Name: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____

Settlement Participation Form

Governmental Entity:	State:
Authorized Signatory:	
Address 1:	
Address 2:	
City, State, Zip:	
Phone:	
Email:	

The governmental entity identified above (“Governmental Entity”), in order to obtain and in consideration for the benefits provided to the Governmental Entity pursuant to the Settlement Agreement dated July 21, 2021 (“Janssen Settlement”), and acting through the undersigned authorized official, hereby elects to participate in the Janssen Settlement, release all Released Claims against all Released Entities, and agrees as follows.

1. The Governmental Entity is aware of and has reviewed the Janssen Settlement, understands that all terms in this Election and Release have the meanings defined therein, and agrees that by this Election, the Governmental Entity elects to participate in the Janssen Settlement and become a Participating Subdivision as provided therein.
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5. The Governmental Entity agrees to use any monies it receives through the Janssen Settlement solely for the purposes provided therein.
6. The Governmental Entity submits to the jurisdiction of the court in the Governmental Entity’s state where the Consent Judgment is filed for purposes limited to that court’s role as provided in, and for resolving disputes to the extent provided in, the Janssen Settlement.
7. The Governmental Entity has the right to enforce the Janssen Settlement as provided therein.

8. The Governmental Entity, as a Participating Subdivision, hereby becomes a Releasor for all purposes in the Janssen Settlement, including but not limited to all provisions of Section IV (Release), and along with all departments, agencies, divisions, boards, commissions, districts, instrumentalities of any kind and attorneys, and any person in their official capacity elected or appointed to serve any of the foregoing and any agency, person, or other entity claiming by or through any of the foregoing, and any other entity identified in the definition of Releasor, provides for a release to the fullest extent of its authority. As a Releasor, the Governmental Entity hereby absolutely, unconditionally, and irrevocably covenants not to bring, file, or claim, or to cause, assist or permit to be brought, filed, or claimed, or to otherwise seek to establish liability for any Released Claims against any Released Entity in any forum whatsoever. The releases provided for in the Janssen Settlement are intended by the Parties to be broad and shall be interpreted so as to give the Released Entities the broadest possible bar against any liability relating in any way to Released Claims and extend to the full extent of the power of the Governmental Entity to release claims. The Janssen Settlement shall be a complete bar to any Released Claim.
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10. Nothing herein is intended to modify in any way the terms of the Janssen Settlement, to which Governmental Entity hereby agrees. To the extent this Election and Release is interpreted differently from the Janssen Settlement in any respect, the Janssen Settlement controls.

I swear under penalty of perjury that I have all necessary power and authorization to execute this Election and Release on behalf of the Governmental Entity.

Signature: _____

Name: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____