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REVIEW OF RESPONSES TO THE 2018-2019 GRAND JURY REPORTS

The 2018-2019 Sacramento County Grand Jury Final Report contained seven investigative reports that required responses from various governing boards and elected officials in Sacramento County. The 2019-2020 Sacramento County Grand Jury reviewed the responses to these reports submitted by the identified government entities for compliance with the requirements in Penal Code (PC) Sections 933 and 933.05.

The “Reason for Investigation,” “Findings” and “Recommendations” commentaries are quoted directly from each investigative report in the 2018-2019 Sacramento County Grand Jury Final Report. The submitted responses can be found at the Sacramento County Grand Jury website: <https://www.saccourt.ca.gov/grand-jury/grand-jury.aspx>.

1. Addressing Homelessness in Sacramento County: An Extraordinary Community Challenge.

REASON FOR INVESTIGATION

In 2018-2019, the Sacramento Grand Jury investigation focused on the challenges a community of organizations in Sacramento County is confronting in their efforts to most effectively address the many issues presented by homelessness.

2018-2019 FINDINGS

- F1.** There is no formal organization model used by the community of organizations that will ensure the most effective use of the critical resources available to address homelessness in Sacramento County.
- F2.** The leaders and workers in the community of organizations actively working to address the challenges presented by homelessness in Sacramento County have demonstrated an impressive level of both dedication and competence in assisting and supporting the County’s homeless population.
- F3.** A County of Sacramento Homeless Plan to secure NPLH funds was recently developed by the County and adopted by the Board of Supervisors. The plan presents a significant initial strategic direction for addressing homelessness in Sacramento County and many of the organizations providing services and programs for the homeless collaborated with the County on the plan’s development and support its direction and implementation.

2018-2019 RECOMMENDATIONS

- R1.** The community of organizations working to address homelessness in Sacramento County should initiate a process during Fiscal Year 2019-2020 to identify an organizational model that will be responsive to needs expressed by the community. This

process should be coordinated by the five primary organizations providing resources to the homelessness effort. They are:

- County of Sacramento
- City of Sacramento
- Continuum of Care Advisory Board
- Sacramento Steps Forward
- Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Agency

2018-2019 RESPONSES

The City of Sacramento provided required responses to the findings and recommendations noted on November 5, 2019 and in compliance with PC Section 933 and PC Section 933.05.

R1. The City of Sacramento is committed to identifying an organizational model within six months.

The County of Sacramento has provided required responses to the findings and recommendations noted on November 5, 2019 and is in compliance with PC Section 933 and PC Section 933.05.

R1. The County of Sacramento advises that this recommendation requires further analysis.

The Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Agency provided a response to R1 on December 10, 2019, that was outside the 90-day deadline and is therefore not in compliance with PC Section 933. However, its response to R1 is in compliance with PC 933.05.

R1. The Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Agency agrees with this recommendation and has developed a 5-Point Homeless Plan.

2. Cosumnes Community Services District: Why Is McDonald Park Still Unfinished?

REASON FOR INVESTIGATION

Based on a citizen's complaint, the 2018-2019 Sacramento County Grand Jury reviewed the Cosumnes Community Service District's (CCSD) usage of developer's fees and land dedications. CCSD received the fees and land dedications for the construction of a neighborhood park in the Camden Pointe/Camden Estates subdivisions. The park in question, MacDonald Park, was partially completed; approximately half of the park has lain undeveloped for many years.

At issue is whether that undeveloped portion constituted a breach of legal responsibility to use funds obtained under the provisions of the Quimby Act in a timely manner. As we will explore in the discussion below, CCSD's legal responsibility is to commit the funds, within a certain

period of time, to the building of the park. It is under no legal obligation to spend those funds within any given period of time.

Also, at issue was an inability for residents and others to obtain specific information on Quimby Act fees and dedications, and their usage, as there were three governmental entities involved: CCSD (formerly the Elk Grove Community Services District), the City of Elk Grove, and Sacramento County.

2018-2019 FINDINGS

- F1.** CCSD timely complied with the law that it commits the Camden Pointe Quimby fees within five years of their payment. It spent all of those fees for the construction of Phase 1 of MacDonald Park, and possibly for some other parks which would serve the Camden Pointe subdivision. CCSD has fulfilled its legal obligations with regard to those fees.
- F2.** CCSD timely complied with the law that it commits the Sheldon Estates II Quimby fees within five years of their collection. There is no time limit by which CCSD must spend the Sheldon Estates II Quimby fees to construct Phase 2 of McDonald Park.
- F3.** CCSD residents are understandably frustrated that sixteen years after collecting the Sheldon Estates II Quimby fees, and thirteen years after committing to spend those fees to construct Phase 2 of MacDonald Park, CCSD still retains those fees. Residents do not have a clear understanding of the retention and use of those funds.
- F4.** CCSD makes a good faith effort to comply with the California Public Records Act.
- F5.** CCSD makes a good faith effort to keep adequate and appropriate District records to fulfill legal requirements.
- F6.** CCSD's records retention policy requires its records be safeguarded and adequately protected.

2018-2019 RECOMMENDATIONS

- R1.** CCSD should educate the district's residents about the requirements and discretions it has with regard to the Quimby fees which it collects. CCSD should have open discussions about Quimby fees and dedications with its constituents by June 30, 2020.
- R2.** CCSD should inform the district's residents what CCSD intends to do with the Sheldon Estates II Quimby fees if the vote on the overlay district fails, at the first Board meeting following the vote.
- R3.** CCSD should establish an accounting system which specifically tracks each Quimby fee collected from a developer and how that money is spent. This should be completed by June 30, 2020.

- R4.** CCSD should make a good faith and thorough effort, by June 30, 2020, to identify and recreate the records of collected but unspent Quimby Act funds that were lost due to the 2015 fire and inform its constituents of that effort.

2018-2019 RESPONSES

The Cosumnes Community Services District provided responses to the findings and recommendations on September 19, 2019, in compliance with PC Section 933 and PC Section 933.05.

- R1. This recommendation has not yet been implemented but will be implemented by June 30, 2020.*
- R2. This recommendation will not be implemented because it is not warranted.*
- R3. This recommendation has not yet been implemented but will be implemented by June 30, 2020.*
- R4. This recommendation has been partially implemented and will be completed by June 30, 2020.*

3. Does the Sacramento County Board of Supervisors Have Effective Oversight of Elective Officers?

REASON FOR INVESTIGATION

Due to multiple local media outlets stories and public debates, the 2018-2019 Sacramento County Grand Jury initiated an investigation regarding the nature of oversight by the Sacramento County Board of Supervisors regarding all three County Elected Officers: Assessor, District Attorney (DA) and Sheriff.

2018-2019 FINDINGS

- F1.** Sacramento County based oversight of the DA and Sheriff is inadequate given the potential impact their policies and action could have on the communities they serve. Opportunities exist to improve understanding, tolerance and trust between all parties.
- F2.** Prior BOS Inspector General contractual provisions have provided limited success in addressing the issue of oversight, resulting in a lack of accountability and transparency.

2018-2019 RECOMMENDATIONS

- R1.** The BOS should initiate action to create a Sacramento County oversight commission with responsibilities pertaining to the DA and Sheriff. This recommendation should be accomplished by December 31, 2019.
- R2.** The BOS should complete action to reinstitute the IG function and office with accompanying Memorandum of Understanding (contract with the DA and Sheriff) mandating all work with the commission. This recommendation should be accomplished by December 31, 2019.

2018-2019 RESPONSES

The Sacramento County Board of Supervisors (BOS) provided responses to the findings and the recommendations R1 and R2 in compliance with PC Section 933. The BOS responses were not in compliance of PC Section 933.05. R1 does not explain the reason the recommendation will not be implemented and R2 does not specify a time frame for reinstituting the Inspector General's (IG) role.

- R1. This recommendation will not be implemented.*
- R2. The oversight recommendation will not be implemented, but reinstituting the IG function will be implemented.*

4. Levee Maintenance-Is Anybody Watching the Store?

REASON FOR INVESTIGATION

The 2018-2019 Sacramento County Grand Jury investigated flood protection measures in place to protect the Sacramento region during high water events, due to an unacceptable rating by one of the Local Maintaining Agencies. The investigation focused on 1) levee maintenance and its relationship to flood protection, and 2) whether it is reasonable for residents of Sacramento County and the City of Sacramento to assume that there are standards, policies and guidance in place to assure that levees will provide the expected protection when needed.

2018-2019 FINDINGS

- F1.** There is a well-defined set of checks and balances within the hierarchy of federal, State and local agencies to assure that the levees in the region will provide their expected level of protection during high water events.

- F2.** LMAs act timely and responsibly to coordinate maintenance within the hierarchy of authority and assure proactive preventive measures are in place until deficiencies can be corrected through permanent measures, such as the Urban Level of Flood Protection plans.

2018-2019 RESPONSES

Sacramento City Manager provided responses to findings on September 25, 2019, in accordance with PC Section 933 and PC Section 933.05. There were no Grand Jury recommendations in regard to the investigation.

F1. The Sacramento City Manager is in agreement with this finding.

F2. The Sacramento City Manager is in agreement with this finding.

5. Los Rios Community College School District's Student Achievement Challenge: The Premise and the Promise

REASON FOR INVESTIGATION

Perhaps the most important challenge facing the California Community College system generally, and the Los Rios Community College District specifically, is that most community college students never achieve a defined end goal. At last count, only 48 percent of students who entered a California Community College (CCC) left with a degree, certificate, or transferred *after six years*. Even this rate is overstated: CCC students earning less than 6 units or students who did not attempt a Math or English course within three years are not counted in this calculation. Los Rios Community College District (LRCCD) overall and its four separate campuses approximate the state's 48 percent average, with the following achievement rates through 2017-2018, forming the premise for our report:

- Folsom Lake College - 50%
- Sacramento City College - 48%
- American River College - 42.5%
- Cosumnes River College - 41.5%

2018-2019 FINDINGS

- F1.** LRCCD administration and faculty are committed to improving student achievement rates and related goals encompassed within State Legislation, California's Community College *Vision for Success*, and State Chancellor's directives.

- F2.** LRCCD's Guided Pathways module does not by itself allow for students to seamlessly transfer between Academic and Career Technical Education (CTE) programs.
- F3.** The success of Guided Pathways is dependent upon adequate counseling services and perhaps a change in the counseling model.
- F4.** LRCCD lacks a formal survey process for students at entrance and exit in order to better understand student achievement issues.
- F5.** LRCCD's financial flexibility to adjust existing or new programs and services to meet student achievement goals is constrained by the fiscal requirements between the Fifty Percent Law and the collective bargaining agreements.
- F6.** The quantity and scope of Online classes are insufficient to meet the work/life issues of two large cohorts of LRCCD's students: those 25 or older, which comprise nearly 40 percent of students overall and part-time students that represent approximately 70 percent of students.
- F7.** CTE programs take an estimated six years to develop and produce the first graduates. This is too long to reach the fast-changing demands in the labor market.

2018-2019 RECOMMENDATIONS

- R1.** The LRCCD Administration and Faculty should be commended this year by the Board of Trustees for their commitment for improving student achievement rates.
- R2.** The LRCCD Chancellor should ensure, as part of its implementation that Guided Pathways includes a seamless administrative system for students to switch between Academic and CTE programs.
- R3.** The LRCCD Board of Trustees should budget sufficient resources for case management/student advisor services to augment existing counseling services as needed to ensure the success of Guided Pathways.
- R4.** The LRCCD Chancellor should ensure within the next 12 months that a survey process that includes entrance and exit interviews is developed to ascertain whether further actions are needed to address student achievement issues.
- R5.** The LRCCD Board of Trustees should reconsider its 80 percent funding agreement as part of its collective bargaining negotiation with the goal of providing more financial flexibility to meet current and future student achievement rate challenges.
- R6.** The LRCCD Board of Trustees and Chancellor should work with the academic senate and faculty to enhance the number and scope of online classes offered.

- R7.** The LRCCD Chancellor should streamline the process to establish CTE programs to reduce the number of years it takes to develop these types of programs over the next 12 months.

2018-2019 RESPONSES

The LRCCD Chancellor responded to the findings and recommendations on October 8, 2019, in compliance with PC Section 933. LRCCD replied that R1 has been implemented and explained their disagreement with R5, both in compliance with PC Section 933.05. R2, R3, and R4 are not addressed in their responses and are therefore not in compliance with PC Section 933.05. LRCCD will implement R6 but not in the time frame recommended, and while in agreement with R7, but provides no plan for its implementation, neither in compliance with PC Section 933.05.

- R1. This recommendation has been implemented.*
- R5. This recommendation will not be implemented because this fiscal approach has led to extraordinary fiscal stability for Los Rios in even the most volatile of economic times.*
- R6. This recommendation will not be implemented until FY2020-21.*
- R7. The Board agrees that this is a positive recommendation.*

6. Recreational Marijuana: Growing Health Crisis for Sacramento Youth?

REASON FOR INVESTIGATION

The 2018-2019 Sacramento County Grand Jury investigated Sacramento County's response to the legalization of marijuana with respect to youth and youth services. This report examined the marijuana education and prevention strategies of the Sacramento County Department of Health Services (SCDHS), the Sacramento County Office of Education (SCOE), and Sacramento County's School Districts.

2018-2019 FINDINGS

- F1.** Legalization, increased availability, and easy access have led to misconceptions regarding marijuana use, particularly with youth.
- F2.** There are significant toxicity and health concerns for youth that can lead to diminished academic performance, regressed socialization, and numerous physical and health issues.
- F3.** Although many prevention programs and partnerships have been developed to date, additional needs for youth services continue to be identified.

- F4.** Although there are some data from the Healthy Kids Survey (CHKS), consolidated data from multiple sources would paint a broader picture and help identify focus areas and funding needs for youth services.
- F5.** While Sacramento County has been admirably proactive in obtaining grant funding for youth prevention, additional funding would allow for more community-based programs and for more direct support to youth in the County's middle and high schools.
- F6.** Since results from the Healthy Kids Survey (CHKS) are used for requesting funds and developing prevention programs, improved participation by school districts would benefit county youth and their families.
- F7.** To increase awareness, provide a consistent message, and reach a larger audience, schools and other community organizations that serve youth would benefit from presentation materials related to marijuana.
- F8.** Since each school district in the County runs its own programs related to alcohol and other drugs, there is a significant variation in the resources available to students and their families throughout Sacramento County.

2018-2019 RECOMMENDATIONS

- R1.** The Sacramento County Department of Health Services (SCDHS) and the Sacramento County Office of Education (SCOE) should maintain current youth prevention programs as well as spearhead new initiatives for county youth and their families.
- R2.** SCDHS and SCOE should continue their highly successful collaborations with partners, such as the Sacramento County Coalition for Youth (SCCY) and the Coalition for a Safe and Healthy Arden Arcade (CSHAA). Over the next budget cycle, SCDHS and SCOE should proactively expand partnerships with entities such as school districts, parent-teacher associations, city governments, public health officials, Child Protective Services, and law enforcement.
- R3.** SCDHS, SCOE, and their partners should collect and measure trend data from multiple sources, using whatever means are possible. Possible data include youth usage, treatment data, suspensions, expulsions, arrests, DUIs, and ER visits.
- R4.** Over the next budget cycle, SCDHS, SCOE, and school districts should vigorously pursue sustainable funding for education and prevention programs for youth and their families from multiple sources such as: Prop 64, Federal and State grants, and private organizations.
- R5.** With support from SCOE, school districts should take measures to improve participation in the California Healthy Kids Survey (CHKS) during the next survey cycle, with a focus on middle, high, and non-traditional schools. The survey should include the "alcohol and other drugs" module.

- R6.** In partnership with service providers and others, SCOE should continuously update and expand upon “ready-to-go” informational packages and effective campaigns specific to marijuana that can be shared with school districts or other community-based organizations that serve youth.
- R7.** School districts should create on-line resources for teachers, youth, and their families.
- R8.** School districts should establish Youth Program Specialists or similar positions to administer programs related to alcohol and drug prevention in the next budget cycle.

2018-2019 RESPONSES

The Sacramento County Office of Education and the 13 District Superintendents responded to findings and recommendations on August 15, 2019, in compliance with PC Section 933 and PC Section 933.05.

- R1. The recommendations have been implemented.*
- R2. The recommendations have been implemented.*
- R3. The recommendation has been implemented.*
- R4. The recommendation has been implemented.*
- R5. The recommendation cannot be implemented because it is not consistent with state law.*
- R6. Components of this recommendation have been implemented.*
- R7. The recommendation has been implemented.*
- R8. The recommendation will not be implemented as state funding for districts varies greatly and not all districts can afford staff dedicated to these purposes.*

The Sacramento County Department of Health Services responded to findings and recommendations on September 24, 2019, in compliance with PC Section 933 and PC Section 933.05.

- R1. The recommendations have been implemented.*
- R2. The recommendations have been implemented.*
- R3. The recommendation has been implemented.*
- R4. The recommendation has been implemented.*

The City of Sacramento City Manager responded to the findings and a recommendation on September 24, 2019, in compliance with PC Section 933 and PC Section 933.05.

- R2. The recommendation has been implemented.*

7. The Florin Resource Conservation District: A Case of Mistaken Identity

REASON FOR INVESTIGATION

The 2018-2019 Sacramento County Grand Jury received complaints regarding the Florin Resource Conservation District (FRCD) and its subsidiary, the Elk Grove Water District (EGWD). These complaints alleged issues with a recent water rate increase (improper and misleading notices, procedural errors), problems with the composition of the Board of Directors, and a general lack of oversight by the Board of Directors. Given the serious nature of the complaints, the Sacramento County Grand Jury undertook a thorough and comprehensive investigation of the FRCD, covering many aspects of its operations.

2018-2019 FINDINGS

- F1.** The FRCD Board decided to alter its basic mission, without benefit of an outside review or other investigation, relying solely on a staff report. The three options did not consider the legal differences between Resource Conservation Districts and Water Districts.
- F2.** Because Board Members are elected at large from the entire area of the FRCD and not from within the smaller boundary of the EGWD, equitable representation of rate-payers may be denied.
- F3.** The FRCD complied with all legal requirements with its decision to adopt a rate increase at the July 18, 2018, Board meeting.
- F4.** The FRCD erred in setting the protest deadline at July 2, 2018, as Prop 218 mandates that written protests be accepted until and at the public rate hearing (scheduled to be July 18, 2018).
- F5.** FRCD is actively working to reduce its debt, debt service and bond retirement payments, while maintaining an adequate debt service coverage ratio.
- F6.** The FRCD did not follow its own policy when extending the current Legal Counsel's contract, which led to the creation of an unfair hiring practice.
- F7.** Because the FRCD policy manual is silent on interim contracts, the potential exists for extending interim contracts in lieu of soliciting proposals for professional services.
- F8.** FRCD is unable to monitor leaks and pressure losses in a timely manner. This is a public safety issue and a potential liability for FRCD.
- F9.** After voting to award health benefits to Board members, no further action was taken, no policies were created, and no health insurance benefits were awarded to Board

members. The Board could institute health benefits for themselves with no further public discussion.

- F10.** The practice of conducting closed sessions after open sessions at the Board meeting may lead to an uninformed public and forestalls knowledge or comments. This practice does not encourage public engagement.
- F11.** Candidate pools for Board Member seats are so low that elections are sometimes not required. As a consequence, Board members are appointed by the County Board of Supervisors, denying a voice to the public in selection of those who represent them.
- F12.** The lack of adequate Board member awareness of regulations, operations, and institutional history can lead to poor decisions on the part of the Board and leads to an over-reliance on the General Manager and staff.
- F13.** There is a pronounced lack of public oversight of the FRCD, as shown by poorly attended meetings and few Board candidates.

2018-2019 RECOMMENDATIONS

- R1.** The FRCD Board should review its decision, by December 31, 2019, to alter its basic mission. This action should be taken with an expanded view educating both the Board and the general public about the differences between Resource Conservation Districts and Water Districts. This review should include the use of outside consultants and expanded public participation and engagement.
- R2.** The FRCD Board of Directors should complete its updated Strategic Plan by June 30, 2020. The new Strategic Plan should include a discussion of its long-term vision and its long-range mission. This discussion should include a comprehensive review of the mission of the FRCD, whether it should continue as an independent district (either as an RCD or water district) or consolidate with another area water provider (such as SCWA Zone 40).
- R3.** FRCD should consider, by June 30, 2020, a plan to ensure that only those people living within the EGWD boundary are eligible to become Board members. Board members should be elected from within EGWD boundaries to ensure equitable representation of the population served.
- R4.** FRCD should review its actions during the most recent water rate study and rate increase mandated under Proposition 218. Action should be taken to review and amend Board policies to ensure that future rate studies and proposals for rate increases conform to the procedures outlined in Proposition 218.
- R5.** FRCD should review and amend, by December 31, 2019, contracting policies for professional and consultant services to address time limits, types of professional services and other requirements.

- R6.** FRCD should develop, by December 31, 2019, new policies relative to interim contracting for professional services for board approval. Minimize the use of interim contracts and maximize the use of standard contracts using a competitive process for professional services.
- R7.** FRCD should begin, by December 31, 2019, the process of planning and installing flowmeters in its main water transmission lines to monitor for breaks, pressure losses, etc. These monitoring devices should also be connected to an automatic alert system for on-call emergency employees.
- R8.** FRCD should rescind its vote approving health benefits for Board members, by September 30 2019, since no action has ever been taken to implement them.
- R9.** FRCD should conduct its closed sessions before general Board meetings to ensure the public is notified timely of any actions resulting from those closed sessions. Board bylaws should be updated by December 31, 2019, to address timing of closed sessions.
- R10.** FRCD should establish policy, by December 31 2019, to ensure a programmatic on-boarding process for new Board Members that includes both policy and operations. In addition, FRCD should establish, by December 31, 2019, a web-page with Board policies for public review.
- R11.** FRCD should, on an ongoing basis expand its outreach to its ratepayers, in order to increase their engagement with the business and activities of the district. This could include, but is not limited to, increased inserts with ratepayer's monthly bills, enhanced web interaction, media outreach, such as a periodic column in the Elk Grove Citizen or other avenues, and practical workshops for ratepayers. FRCD should also engage with both the California Special Districts Association and the Institute for Local Government to learn about any other outreach efforts that are possible.

2018-2019 RESPONSES

The Chairperson of the Florin Resource Conservation District (FRCD) provided the required responses to the findings and the recommendations on August 22, 2019, in compliance with PC Section 933 and PC Section 933.05.

- R1. This recommendation will not be implemented because it is not warranted and is unreasonable.*
- R2. This recommendation has not yet been implemented but will be by the June 30, 2020 deadline as specified by the Grand Jury.*

- R3. *This recommendation will not be implemented because it is not warranted and is unreasonable.*
- R4. *This recommendation requires further analysis.*
- R5. *This recommendation has not yet been implemented but will be by the December 31, 2019, deadline as specified by the Grand Jury.*
- R6. *This recommendation has not yet been implemented but will be by the December 31, 2019, deadline as specified by the Grand Jury.*
- R7. *This recommendation requires further analysis.*
- R8. *This recommendation requires further analysis.*
- R9. *This recommendation will not be implemented because it is not warranted and is unreasonable.*
- R10. *This recommendation has not yet been implemented but will be by the December 31, 2019, deadline as specified by the Grand Jury.*
- R11. *This recommendation as not yet been implemented but will be as suggested by the Grand Jury.*

SACRAMENTO COUNTY GRAND JURY CITIZEN COMPLAINTS

General Information

A major function of the Grand Jury is to examine local county/city government, special districts, school districts, and any joint powers agency located in the county to ensure their duties are being carried out lawfully.

As part of this “watchdog” function, the Grand Jury receives and investigates citizen complaints regarding the accusation of misconduct in office of agencies and public officials within its jurisdiction.

In this role, the Grand Jury may:

- Review and evaluate procedures used by these entities to determine whether more efficient and economical methods might be employed.
- Inspect and audit the books, records and financial expenditures of these entities to ensure that public funds are properly accounted for and legally spent.

Any citizen may ask the Grand Jury to investigate an issue within its jurisdiction. The decision to formally investigate a complaint is at the Grand Jury’s discretion, and may be affected by workload, resource limitations, or legal restrictions.

Citizen Complaint Process

- Present your complaint as soon as possible. The Grand Jury’s term of service begins July 1st and ends June 30th of the following year.
- Identify your specific concern and describe the circumstances as clearly and concisely as possible.
- Document your complaint with copies of pertinent information and evidence in your possession.

A copy of the Grand Jury Complaint Form may be found at:

<https://www.saccourt.ca.gov/grand-jury/docs/complaint.Pdf>

Mail or deliver your complaint in a sealed envelope to

Sacramento County Grand Jury
720 9th Street, Room 611
Sacramento, CA 95814

By law, the proceedings of the Grand Jury are confidential. Complaints submitted to the Grand Jury will be treated confidentially whenever possible. However, it may be impossible to conduct an investigation without revealing the complainant’s name.

The findings and recommendations of citizen complaints the Grand Jury investigates are published in its final report. The entities that are the subject of investigation are required to respond in writing to these findings and recommendations.

GRAND JURY COMPLAINT FORM

GRAND JURY USE ONLY:

Date Received: _____

Number: _____

Subject: _____

PERSON OR AGENCY ABOUT WHICH COMPLAINT IS MADE

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

TELEPHONE NUMBER: _____

NATURE OF COMPLAINT (Describe events in the order they occurred as clearly and concisely as possible. Also indicate what resolution you are seeking. Use extra sheets if necessary and attach copies of any correspondence you feel is pertinent. Documentation becomes the property of the Grand Jury and will not be returned. *Please note: The Sacramento County Grand Jury has no jurisdiction over state or federal agencies, the courts, judicial officers, private companies or most organizations.*)

WHAT PERSONS OR AGENCIES HAVE YOU CONTACTED ABOUT YOUR COMPLAINT?

Person or Agency	Address	Date of Contact	Result

WHO SHOULD THE GRAND JURY CONTACT ABOUT THIS MATTER?

Person or Agency	Address	Telephone No.

YOUR NAME: _____

DRIVER'S LICENSE NO.: _____

ADDRESS: _____

TELEPHONE NO.: _____

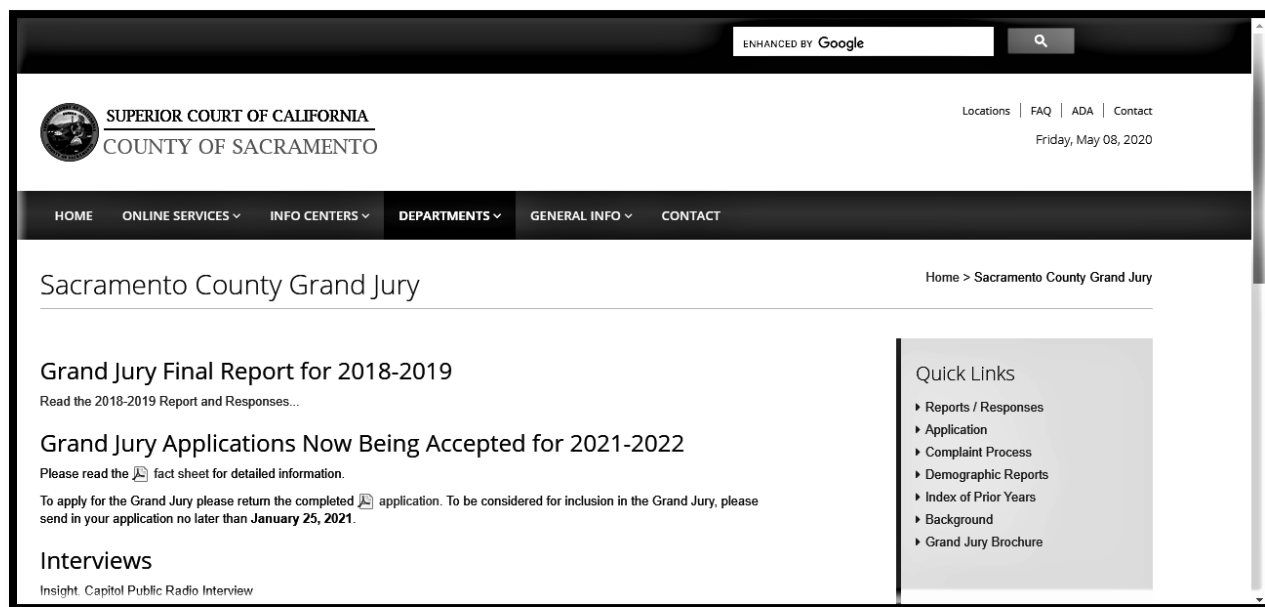
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Complainant's Signature _____

Date _____

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SACRAMENTO COUNTY GRAND JURY WEB PAGE



Screenshot of home page of Sacramento County Grand Jury web page

The direct link to the Sacramento County Grand Jury web page is:

<https://www.saccourt.ca.gov/grand-jur/grand-jury.aspx>.

The Sacramento County Grand Jury web page provides the latest news about the Grand Jury, information about the history of the Grand Jury, how to apply to serve as a Grand Juror and how to file a Citizen's Complaint. The application and complaint forms can be downloaded from the web page.

The web page also provides links to Final Reports released each year (2001-present), individual reports, government agency responses to Grand Jury findings and recommendations, and an index of all investigative reports produced by Grand Juries since 1991.

For those who would like to learn more about serving on the Sacramento County Grand Jury, or filing a Citizen Complaint, there is a brochure that can be downloaded from the web page. There is also a "Demographics Reports" link that tracks age, gender, ethnicity, and occupation of past Sacramento County Grand Jury candidates as far back as 2011.



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