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## **Presidents Message**

*By Jerry Lewi President, California Grand Jurors' Association*

Elsewhere in the issue, you will see a response to member Clarence Dilts' letter in the last Journal that is self explanatory including some new initiatives to make Board activities more open to members.



# Juries in the news

## Grand Jury calls for change in oversight of Clerk of the Board Office

*Ukiah Daily Journal Staff*

"Politics and personalities" play too much of a part in the running of the Clerk of the Board's office, the people who work with the county supervisors primarily producing meeting agendas and minutes for the Board of Supervisors. That's according to the Mendocino County grand jury, which has issued a report of its look into the controversy over the Clerk of the Board in 2005. Early in summer of 2005, a brouhaha erupted over the board's own clerk, resulting in a no-confidence vote by the board on then-board Chairman Mike Delbar. At the time, board members would not reveal from where the schism among them stemmed, but it became clear later that it was a struggle over keeping the clerk in her job. The grand jury looked into what the board clerk's office does and how such problems could be avoided in the future. For one thing, the grand jury writes, the office (a department unto itself) should be under the direction of the county's executive office, not the supervisors. They have not shown the ability to manage or direct the four-person office since, as the grand jury notes, they have not done personnel evaluations,

they don't define the jobs involved, there's been a high rate of turnover in the office and the workload appears to be so heavy that the office has been forced to close to the public on Fridays. Also, the grand jury recommends that the office reopen on Fridays. Since agendas and background materials are only made public Thursday afternoons, having the office closed Friday hinders public access to the materials for meetings coming up the following Tuesday. The grand jury also recommends that the Clerk of the Board's office make agenda background materials available on line. "The overwhelming workload currently borne by the Clerk of the Board office is a result of the failure on the part of the Board of Supervisors to provide effective oversight," the grand jury concludes. "For its own reasons the Board of Supervisors chose to keep the Clerk of the Board office under its control, but all observers and participants agree that politics and personalities have played a major role in this decision. Giving responsibility for supervision to the CEO's office, as is the case for most other county departments, may remove the Clerk of the Board office from the political arena."

## Grand jury, county at odds over idea about sharing aide

*By Greg Moberly Times-Herald, Vallejo*

County leaders rejected claims from Solano County grand jury members Tuesday that confidentiality could be breached if the county counsel's office shares an assistant with the jury.

The Solano County Board of Supervisors unanimously approved splitting a clerical assistant position between the two entities, chiefly to help the county counsel's office with an increasing caseload.

Jurors told supervisors they wanted to keep their assistant, Jamielynn Harrison, and that sharing her could bring up conflicts of interest. The supervisors said Deputy County Counsel Lori Mazzella, who advises the grand jury on legal concerns, calls in private attorneys to avoid potential or perceived conflicts.

They build firewalls, Supervisor John Silva said, of the county counsel office's efforts to avoid possible conflict.

Juror Surry Poole, of Vallejo, said he felt the county's move splitting the assistant position is disrespectful of the grand jury's desire to keep itself independent.

"You're taking this position out of our control," Poole said. He said grand jury reports won't appear credible if the assistant is working part time for the county counsels office.

The supervisors said they believe potential conflicts will be avoided and even if they weren't, a concern easily could be made public.

I was pleased that the rest of that issue of the Journal reported on some important activities of your association. We are close to the next round of Training Seminars; we have a good program outlined for our annual conference in October; we are working hard to increase membership and to strengthen relations with the chapters and have two new chapters coming on line; and we have started some new initiatives to educate the public on the role of grand juries throughout the state, which is an important part of our mission statement.

I recently concluded a tour of visits to some of our chapters, completing my goal of visiting members of all chapters. I had a number of interesting questions and ideas thrown at me during this trip that I will be discussing with other Board members in order to develop a thorough response.

I have also visited several of the independent associations, including Kern County who has just been approved as one of our two new chapters. We welcome them as well as the Kings County Chapter. More detail elsewhere. Visiting chapters and associations has been one of the highlights of my term of office.

## **Nominations Committee Seeks Candidates**

*By Diane Masini Nominating Committee Chair*

Nominations for election to the CGJA Board of Directors are open. We are seeking new nominees as there are several Directors currently serving who will not seek reelection. Having new Directors each year brings fresh ideas and energy to the Board. Every year we elect one-half of our Board of 24 Directors, four from each of our three regions. Directors are expected to attend monthly telephonic Board and committee meetings - and serve on at least one of our standing committees (Finance, Legal, Operations, Public Relations, Membership and Training). The term of office is two years.

To be eligible to have your name placed in nomination as a Director for the CGJA, you must have paid your 2006-07 dues by August 31, 2006 and be an active, regular member of CGJA.

The deadline for applying for nomination is August 29, 2006. When confirming that you wish to have your name placed in nomination, we ask that you submit a 100-word biography to the Nominating Committee Chair, Diane O. Masini. Please include in the bio, your activities within the CGJA, including Chapter activities; what standing committee(s) would be of interest to you; and your county and the grand jury year in which you served. Also, please include any professional experiences relative to association activities and your views on what makes an effective board.

Listed below are the members of the Nominating Committee by region. If you wish to have your name placed in nomination, please contact your region member or me, directly.

If you wish to nominate a CGJA member for election to the Board of Directors, please confirm with that member that he/she will run if nominated and serve if elected.

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## Summary of Board Actions

The CGJA Board of Directors took the following Actions at the March 27, 2006 regular meeting & May 1, 2006 Special Meeting:

The approval of the February 27, 2006 Special meeting minutes was tabled due to challenge that this was not a legally convened meeting.

- The Board ratified the appointment of the Nominating Committee.
- Approved transfer of \$10,000 from liquid Certificate of Deposit to checking.
- Dual Membership -The Membership Relations Committee (MRC) continue to work with chapters to find some middle ground that complies with the provisions of the California Code and with IRS regulatory requirements passed by voice vote.
- Program to invite Grand Jurors to apply for membership - A policy to invite newly appointed grand juries to apply for membership was approved by voice vote.
- Face-to Face Meeting - A motion to hold a meeting if minimum of 15 directors participate passed by a voice vote.
- Requests to Directors - The motion "the Board vote to express its commitment to this practice and its acknowledgment that all Directors must familiarize themselves with and observe CGJA's and the State of California's legal - never mind just plain collegial-requirements as stated in Subject Summary" passed by voice vote.
- Unauthorized contact with attorney - The motion that: (1) The CGJA President immediately provide the Board of Directors with a copy of the "...response to query" as detailed in the Diepenbrock Harrison billing dated February 8, 2006; (2) The "several of us" mentioned in the CGJA President's email dated February 16, 2006 be identified (0 the CGJA Board of Directors; (3) The agenda and minutes documenting the approval of the action to contact McBride be immediately provided to the CGJA Board of Directors; (4) Future correspondence and billings be sent to the CGJA Treasurer- NOT to the CGJA President as stated in the CGJA President's email dated February 16, 2006, failed by a roll call vote.

Special Meeting May 1, 2006

- The motion that "The President will issue a letter on behalf of the Board with Board input and consensus and the letter will be published in the next Journal passed by a roll call vote.

## Committee Reports

### Finance

*Ira Grooms, Chair*

*From the Treasurer Bill Burnett*

We have a new mailing address for CGJA Treasurer. Please use this address for Memberships, Membership renewals, Donations and bills for CGJA.

CGJA, P.O. Box 907, Cedar Ridge, Ca 95924.

The CGJA wants to thank the following members for their Donations last month.

Mike Miller, Owen Haxton, Jerry Lewi and Bill Burnett .

### Legal Affairs Jack

*Zepp, Chair*

There have been no developments of interest within the Legal Affairs Committee's purview since the last report.

## Membership Chapter Relations

**Owen Haxton, Chair**

Less than forty-eight hours before the deadline for this column the CGJA Board of Directors acted to approve applications from CGJA members of Kern and Kings counties to become chapters of CGJA.

It has been a yearlong process from application to approval. There were many members in both counties who made contributions to this effort. All should take pride in achieving their goal.

Now, what county will be next? With the experience of processing two applications behind us, the next applicants will benefit. If you and six others have decided to establish a chapter, the process should not take more than three months, tops! Simply send a letter indicating you are applying and the clock will start ticking.

If you have the April Journal, re-read the MRC column on how to complete a renewal membership application from the CGJA web site, print it and mail it to the treasurer. Or, follow these guidelines:

Access our web site, <[www.cgja.org](http://www.cgja.org)> At the bottom of the left column, click on MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION, scroll to the bottom of that page, click on Membership application. A PDF application form will appear, press CTRL 2, now you can actually fill in the form by clicking on the appropriate box or typing the necessary information into the form. When finished, print a copy, write a check, \$25 for membership dues and any additional amount to make a deductible donation to CGJA. Mail the check and application to the CGJA Treasurer.

Hey, do it today. One less task hanging over your head adding stress to your life.

There was no request for volunteers in last month's MRC column. The need however has not been fulfilled.

Email<[hornet5@pacbell.net](mailto:hornet5@pacbell.net)> and volunteer your expertise or someone else's if you wish.

## **Operations**

### **Les Day, Chair**

The CGJA Operations Committee has announced the preliminary program schedule for the anniversary Annual Conference in Redding, on October 19, 2006.

Please see details from the Shasta County former grand jurors local volunteer committee, led by Harry Tully, elsewhere in this Journal. Be sure to reserve the day before the Annual Conference for some sightseeing and special dining opportunity.

The Research and Analysis subcommittee has completed its annual review of Final Reports and Responses which have complied with the Penal Code requirement to be permanently on file at the California State Archives in Sacramento. The good news is that fifty-four of fifty-eight counties show at least some compliance with the law. The complete graphic chart is shown on page 7 in this issue of the Journal.

Sincere thanks to Ourania Riddle, Linda Baker, Judith and Les Daye for reviewing and compiling the data. Thanks also to the staff at the archives, especially Rebecca Wendt, for preparation and assistance, which made the visit a success.

Please remember to submit materials for the Excellence in Reporting (EIR) program by the deadline of July 15, 2006. Further details can be obtained from subcommittee chair, Earl Heal at [helearlniki@sbcglobal.net](mailto:helearlniki@sbcglobal.net) or (707) 446-1353.

As always, we remind CGJA members, current grand jurors and friends interested in our educational mission to read the Journal, view the web site, <[www.cgja.org](http://www.cgja.org)> and participate in activities of your statewide association.

## **Training**

### **Sherry Chesny, Chair**

CGJA's training programs for the new grand jurors continues to grow. We have added a new seminar in Orange County and a second Foreperson's Workshop at Concord for 2006. Our five regional 2-day training seminars and two Foreperson's Workshops are scheduled as follows:

July 17-18 Fullerton at the FourPoints by Sheraton

July 24-25 Sacramento at the Holiday Inn, Sacramento Northeast

July 27-28 Redding at the Holiday Inn Redding

July 31-Aug 1 Concord at the Concord Hilton

Aug. 7-8 Visalia at the Visalia Convention Center

The registration fee for the 2-day training seminar is \$85. This includes morning coffee and rolls and a copy our 200 page Training Seminar Manual for 2006.

The program is a full two days with an opening speaker(s) followed by our core program consisting of five individual workshops: Grand Juries and the Law; G.J. Investigations; G.J. Interviewing; Final Report Writing and G.J. Continuity and Independence. We will also have one or two panel discussions with plenty of time for Q&A sessions. The afternoon of the second day we offer elective workshops on a variety of topics and each juror may attend any two of their choice. These workshops have included such topics as:

What is a Special District? - by speakers from CA Special Districts Association; How to Conduct Jail Inspections - by speaker from CA Board of Corrections; What is LAFCO by a LAFCO Executive Officer; Juror Conflict of Interest - Real or Perceived - by one of Law Workshop presenters, who was also a former U.S. Asst. Attorney General and a past G.J. Foreman; City Government - by a past G.J. Foreperson and former Mayor of a major city; School Districts - by a past G.J. Foreman and retired school administrator; Foster Care and Adoption - by a former grand juror who authored a major GJ report on this topic.

The two Foreperson's Workshops are scheduled for the day before the Sacramento and Concord 2-day training seminars as follows:

July 23, Sacramento at the Holiday Inn, Sacramento Northeast.

July 30, Concord at the Concord Hilton.

This is a one day program with attendance limited to forepersons and pro terns only.

The registration fee is \$35 and includes printed handouts and morning coffee and rolls.

The methodology of the workshop is interactive and participatory with much of the work done in small groups. The program includes Orientation to California law as it applies to the duties and responsibilities of the foreperson. Useful techniques to assist the foreperson in organizing, coordinating, and facilitating the grand jury's work. An introduction to conflict resolution techniques and theories. . Question and answer session with panel of CGJA trainers and former forepersons. We will be posting additional information about the training programs and a registration form you can download on the website [www.cgja.org](http://www.cgja.org).

### **How to Make Local Media Our Partners!**

*By Hedy Damery, Foreperson, San Luis Obispo County 2005-06 Grand Jury*

San Luis Obispo County's 2005-06 Grand Jury has discovered a sure-fire way to get publicity for nearly every report we issued this year. In the past, most grand jury reports were issued either in one or more bound mid-term reports or at the end of the year in one final report. This way only, a few of the more controversial reports got attention while other equally worthy reports were often passed over. This year we decided to use a different approach by releasing each report separately as soon as it was completed.

We began by calling each newspaper, TV and radio agency to get the correct contact names and set up a comprehensive email group. We used a standardized email message (To Our Friends in the Media, etc.) and attached a one-page press release and the full report with each message. The emails were sent out between 8:00 and 9:00 a.m. in the morning on the day of each reports release, and by 10:00 a.m. the report and press release were also posted on the grand jury's website.

The emails got attention, while other press release and the full report The foreperson's contact information and the hours that they would be on hand to answer questions were included in the message.

*Our first mid-term reports were completed in January 2006, and even though most of these were informational reports, they all received some media coverage. By the end of May, we were issuing reports about twice a week. With the exception of our prison inspection reports, all*

twenty-one reports were released separately prior to the printing and release of the Final Report in June and 95% of them got attention from one or more media outlets.

*We recommend this system to other grand juries because:*

- 1. Your individual reports will get more attention*
- 2. All media outlets receive equitable treatment (because they all receive it at the same time)*
- 3. The public has more time to see, digest and consider each report*
- 4. Local government agencies can spread the workload of their required responses over time*
- 5. Your grand jury will begin receiving the first responses while still seated, and*
- 6. Local media outlets will become your allies in carrying out your charge!*

## **Chapter News**

### **Solano Chapter**

*By Wanda Kiger-Tucker, President*

Mark your calendar!!

Sunday July 9, 2006

Plans are underway for the Solano County Chapter to host their 4th annual barbecue to be held July 9, 2006 at the beautiful and secluded Pippo Park, a private ranch on the outskirts of Vacaville.

It has become a Chapter tradition and members are looking forward in welcoming former and sitting grand jurors, their families and friends for a fun day at Pippo's Park.

Every one is invited. A delicious tri-tip and chicken BBQ with all the trimmings is provided for only \$15. Make your reservations by July 5, 2006 with our Treasurer Ourania Riddle. Send your check to Ourania at 1680 Sequoia Way, Dixon CA 95620. If you need additional information, please call Wanda Kiger-Tucker at 707.678.4059.

We hope to see you there.

### **Grand Jurors Association of Orange County**

*By Director and CGJA Member Rose Moreno*

It is with pleasure that I report the Grand Jurors' Association of Orange County is offering to pay the registration fees for up to five participants to the CGJA's Fullerton training session in July from the incoming panel in Orange County. GJAOC's purpose is two-fold: To give the incoming panel members the opportunity to get training in addition to the sessions sponsored by the outgoing panel and to support and promote CGJA's training program.

## **RESPONSE TO LETTER TO EDITOR**

*By Jery Lewi, President*

In a letter to the *Grand Jurors' Journal*, printed April '06, longtime member Clarence Dilts started out by saying, "I called in to listen to the CGJA Board of Directors teleconference... I didn't have a chance to announce my presence on the line."

Clarence seems to have mistakenly assumed that, though he could hear others speaking, they somehow would be unable to hear him had he chosen to make his presence known. Though members of CGJA are welcome to attend board teleconferences, they should, just like directors, identify themselves. It's necessary to do this because the teleconferencing system has limited capacity so we must know how many others wish to attend. We will be publishing guidelines on this process shortly.

The board has asked me to compose a reply to this letter on its behalf, primarily pointing out that each director receives an agenda packet of up to 200 pages of material prior to each board meeting, in order to optimize the use of our meeting time. Any member attending the meeting does not have the benefit of this information and can easily come to erroneous conclusions.

Rather than respond to each comment on the March 27 meeting, I will limit my remarks to a general assessment from the board's perspective.

That former grand jurors should have passionate and sometimes differing views on how to resolve various issues that arise and that they feel free to expound those views in their bi-monthly teleconferences should surprise no one who has ever served on a grand Jury!

While we may have spent an inordinate amount of time on procedural issues at this particular meeting, we did get through our agenda and took action on every item with a near-consensus vote. The minutes of this meeting will confirm this. We plan to start publishing minutes of Board of Directors' meetings on our website and will keep you advised.

As Clarence pointed out, the board is aware that sessions on "boardsmanship" would aid directors in both communicating more succinctly and clearly and hearing other points of view with greater empathy. This remains a near-term goal.

Directors dedicate a lot of hours and energy to the grand jury concept; each one has the strengthening of all aspects of grand juries as a primary motive. While we don't always agree on the best method, we all have the interests of the association as our primary goal.

As your President and on behalf of the Board of Directors, I welcome any comments that will further the work of CGJA.

## **MINORITY REPORT**

*Directors, Andrew Bliss, Jeanne Forbes, Rose Moreno, Dian Picone, Ourania Riddle*

The letter from President Jerry Lewi elsewhere in the Journal, in response to Clarence Dilts' letter published in the April issue of the CGJA Journal does not represent the sentiments and/or opinions of the entire board.

Member Dilts submitted a letter for publication. Contrary to its own bylaws the CGJA Board of Directors held a special meeting in order to respond to the letter. Eight (8) of the eighteen (18) directors present voted against having a board response. Such a vote count is a far cry from consensus or unanimity.

Clarence Dilts is a long-standing member with excellent credentials. He served as a CGJA director for six years. He was vice president for two years and was the legislative advocate who guided the successful passage of several significant grand jury bills signed into law. There is legitimacy to his criticisms. This minority report attests to the accuracy of Mr. Dilts observations.

Member letters should be welcomed as indicating interest in the workings of the association. Do even negative observations require such attempts at full board reactions?

## **DIRECTOR ANDREW BLISS RESIGNS**

Dear Members of the Grand Juror's Association:

The purpose of this letter is to confirm and advise you of my verbal resignation from the Board at it's May 22, 2006 Meeting.

Although this action appeared reactionary, it was quite the contrary having been well thought out and just waiting for the right timing.

I have enjoyed my activates and work for and with the membership and wish you all well.

I have been asked why? Those who don't understand my action, no explanation is possible and to those who know and understand no explanation is necessary.

Best wishes in all of your endeavors.

Andrew H. Bliss

## **Highlighting your CGJA Directors**

*Fredric "Jack" Zepp*

Fredric "Jack" Zepp served on the Marin County Grand Jury for 18 months in 1998-99. He was so taken with the concept of citizen grand juries that he joined the board of CGJA in 1999 and served as President in 2000-2002. He continues to serve as a director and as Chair of the Legal Affairs Committee which, among other things, monitors legislation and judicial developments affecting the civil oversight function of the grand jury. Jack is also a member of the CGJA Training Committee and prepared the materials for, and presents, "Grand Juries and the Law" a! CGJA's training seminars for new grand jurors. He also presents "Forepersons and the Law" at CGJA's foreperson workshops.

Jack has authored a number of pieces relating to grand juries, most recently a Letter to the Editor (February issue). Jack now lives in south Orange County where he is active in civic affairs, serves on the boards of non-profits, and indulges his hobbies of flying small planes, riding motorcycles, reading, learning history, and involving himself in the horse breeding and show jumping activities of his wife Meredith Riekse.

### ***Betty J. Mattea***

I have lived all my life in San Francisco, until 1987, when my husband and I moved to Marin County. I have a BA from the University of San Francisco and did my Radiologic Technology training at Mt. Zion Hospital & Medical Center, where I eventually became the Administrative Manager of the Radiology Department.

In 1973, I was appointed to the faculty of the Radiologic Technology Program at City College of San Francisco (CCSF), ending my career there in the mid-nineties as the Program Director and Department Chair. During my years as CCSF faculty, I was President of the Department Chairperson Council and also served on the Academic Senate.

In 1976, I was appointed by then-Governor Jerry Brown to the state licensing board for Radiologic Technologists. I was the first woman to receive this appointment.

Now retired from CCSF, I am currently the Executive Director of the Radiologic Technology Educators of California, have recently completed a 2-year 'run' as president of my homeowners association, and concluded, in 2004, a 2-year run on the Marin County Grand Jury, the last year as Foreperson. Because I enjoyed those two years as a grand juror, I became active in the Marin County Chapter of CGJA and since last year, an active CGJA member and director.

## **UPDATE ON 25TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE IN REDDING ;**

*By Harry Tully, Chairman*

The annual conference dates have been changed to one day, Thursday, October 19, 2006. The board of directors' retreat will take place all day Friday, October 20th. The committee has made arrangements for an optional tour and dinner for early arrivals on Wednesday October 18. The

tour will cover several landmarks in Shasta County such as the: Sundial Bridge and Shasta Dam. Hopefully, this will provide an opportunity for people to get to know each other and to socialize. The tour will start at 2:00 PM and will be followed by a no-host dinner at a local restaurant. The cost of the four hour tour and ride to dinner is \$20. If you do not wish to tour, but want to attend the dinner, the bus fare is \$5. Please make reservations by mailing a check to Harry Tully, 4480 Brittany Dr, Redding, CA 96002, before October 1, 2006. The CGJA Board of Directors and the Conference Committee look forward to welcoming first- timers and anyone attending solo. Look for details in August Journal.

## Grand Jury Reports & Responses

### Grand Jury Reports and Responses Filed with State Archivist

*Is your County current in archiving Grand Jury Reports and Responses? You be the Judge.*

The CGJA is pleased to feature an update, graphically displayed of the latest compliance statistics on Final Reports and Responses that have been filed, as required by law, with the California State Archives in Sacramento. Most California county grand juries are keenly aware of this important component to the continuity and historical integrity of the work product produced yearly in the fifty-eight counties, exemplifying accountability and efforts to further the advancement of good government at the local level. It is evident that counties are submitting Final Reports and Responses to the State Archives.

CGJA Directors Les Daye, Ourania Riddle and member Linda Baker visited the Archivist, updated and compiled the information below.

We thank Rebecca Wendt, Archivist, California State Archives, for her help and support.

County	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Alameda		X	X	X	X	X			
Alpine									
Amador								X R	X R
Butte			X	X	X	X	X	X	X R
Calaveras								X R	X R
Colusa			X		X	X			X
Contra Costa	X	X	X	X	X R	X		X	X
Del Norte		X	X						
El Dorado			X	X R	X	X	X		X
Fresno							X	X	X
Glenn		X	X	X	X	X		X	
Humboldt	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X R	X R
Imperial									
Inyo									X R
Kern		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Kings	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X R	X R
Lake				X R	X	X		X R	X R
Lassen		X	X	X R	X	X	X	X R	
Los Angeles			X						
Madera		X	X	X	X	X		X	
Marin	X		X R	X	X R	X R	X R	X	X R
Mariposa									X R
Mendocino			X	X	X	X			
Merced						X			
Modoc									
Mono									
Monterey	X	X	X	X	X R	X R	X R	X R	
Napa			X	X	X R	X	X	X R	X R
Nevada				X R	X R	X	X R		
Orange			X R	X	X	X	X	X	X R
Placer								X	X R
		X	X	X	X	X	X	X R	X R

County	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Riverside					X	X	X	X R	X R
Sacramento			X	X	X	X	X R		X
San Benito				X	X	X	X	X R	
San Bernardino			X	X	X	X	X R	X R	X R
San Diego				X	X R	X R	X R	X R	X R
San Francisco			X	X	X	X R	X R	X R	X R
San Joaquin								X R	X R
San Luis Obispo			X R	X	X R	X	X	X	X R
San Mateo				X	X R	X R	X R	X R	X R
Santa Barbara			X	X	X	X			
Santa Clara	X	X		X	X	X R	X R	X R	X R
Santa Cruz			X	X	X	X			
Shasta			X	X		X	X R	X R	
Sierra		X	X	X	X	X	X		
Siskiyou	X	X	X	X R	X	X		X R	
Solano	X	X	X	X R	X	X			
Sonoma			X	X R	X	X	X R	X	
Stanislaus			X				X	X	X R
Sutter		X R	X	X		X			X R
Tehama			X R				X	X R	X
Trinity		X	X			X	X	X	X R
Tulare		X	X	X	X	X		X	X
Tuolumne			X						
Ventura			X R	X R	X	X R		R	
Yolo			X		X		X	X	
Yuba	X	X	X	X	X	X R	X R	X R	X
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*Is your County current in archiving Grand Jury Reports and Responses? You be the Judge.*

The CGJA is pleased to feature an update, graphically displayed of the latest compliance statistics on Final Reports and Responses that have been filed, as required by law, with the California State Archives in Sacramento. Most California county grand juries are keenly aware of this important component to the continuity and historical integrity of the work product produced yearly in the fifty-eight counties, exemplifying accountability and efforts to further the advancement of good government at the local level. It is evident that counties are submitting Final Reports and Responses to the State Archives.

CGJA Directors Les Daye, Ourania Riddle and member Linda Baker visited the Archivist, updated and compiled the information below.

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County	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Alameda		X	X	X	X	X			
Alpine									
Amador								X R	X R
Butte			X	X	X	X	X	X	X R
Calaveras								X R	X R
Colusa			X		X	X			X
Contra Costa	X	X	X	X	X R	X		X	X
Del Norte		X	X						
El Dorado			X	X R	X	X	X		X
Fresno							X	X	X
Glenn		X	X	X	X	X		X	
Humboldt	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X R	X R
Imperial									
Inyo									X R
Kern		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Kings	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X R	X R
Lake				X R	X	X		X R	X R
Lassen		X	X	X R	X	X	X	X R	
Los Angeles			X						
Madera		X	X	X	X	X		X	
Marin	X		X R	X	X R	X R	X R	X	X R
Mariposa									X R
Mendocino			X	X	X	X			
Merced						X			
Modoc									
Mono									
Monterey	X	X	X	X	X R	X R	X R	X R	
Napa			X	X	X R	X	X	X R	X R
Nevada				X R	X R	X	X R		
Orange			X R	X	X	X	X	X	X R
Placer								X	X R
		X	X	X	X	X	X	X R	X R

County	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Riverside					X	X	X	X R	X R
Sacramento			X	X	X	X	X R		X
San Benito				X	X	X	X	X R	
San Bernardino			X	X	X	X	X R	X R	X R
San Diego				X	X R	X R	X R	X R	X R
San Francisco			X	X	X	X R	X R	X R	X R
San Joaquin								X R	X R
San Luis Obispo			X R	X	X R	X	X	X	X R
San Mateo				X	X R	X R	X R	X R	X R
Santa Barbara			X	X	X	X			
Santa Clara	X	X		X	X	X R	X R	X R	X R
Santa Cruz			X	X	X	X			
Shasta			X	X		X	X R	X R	
Sierra		X	X	X	X	X	X		
Siskiyou	X	X	X	X R	X	X		X R	
Solano	X	X	X	X R	X	X			
Sonoma			X	X R	X	X	X R	X	
Stanislaus			X				X	X	X R
Sutter		X R	X	X		X			X R
Tehama			X R				X	X R	X
Trinity		X	X			X	X	X	X R
Tulare		X	X	X	X	X		X	X
Tuolumne			X						
Ventura			X R	X R	X	X R		R	
Yolo			X		X		X	X	
Yuba	X	X	X	X	X	X R	X R	X R	X
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