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Honorable Eric DuTemple Tuolumne County Superior Court 41 W. Yaney Avenue Sonora, CA 95370



Regarding: 2009-2010 Grand Jury Report

Dear Judge DuTemple,

I have received the 2009-2010 Grand Jury Report. My response is as follows:

Finding #1. Yes, I agree with the noted observations concerning the Public Defender's Office, and high morale of our personnel. It is very encouraging to have visitors recognize the special and unique mission we fulfill on a daily basis.

Finding #2. Yes, I agree that my paralegal should become a certified Spanish interpreter.

Recommendation: I agree, with the recommendation that the County should maintain a competitive salary to retain experienced attorneys.

In the event you would like to discuss the Grand Jury Report further, please contact me at your convenience.

Sincerely,

Robert J. Price Public Defender