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SONOMA COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE RESPONSE TO THE 2004-2005 GRAND JURY REPORT

FATAL INCIDENTS

Recommendation R1, Page 41

The grand jury recommends that they be notified as soon as an incident protocol is initiated.

Response: The recommendation has not yet been implemented, but will be implemented in the future, commencing September 2005.

The Office of the District Attorney will notify the grand jury when the fatal incident protocol has been initiated with a letter stating the name of the victim, date of incident, and agencies involved.

Recommendation R2, Page 41

The District Attorney must provide the grand jury with a copy of the Fatal Incident Report Status Log on a monthly basis. This log will provide improved continuity on the incident(s) status.

Response: The recommendation has not yet been implemented, but will be implemented in the future, commencing September 2005.

The Office of the District Attorney presently maintains a computer file for the critical incident log, which is continuously updated. Currently we send an updated copy of the critical incident log quarterly to the grand jury. Beginning September 2005, a monthly log will be sent.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST IN SONOMA COUNTY

Recommendation R7, Page 17

Improve collaboration/cross reporting

Response: The recommendation requires further analysis.

The Office of the District Attorney will initiate communications with the Fair Political Practice Commission (FPPC) to explore the feasibility of jointly creating a protocol/Memorandum of Understanding to improve collaboration and cross reporting.