

## Dems Use GOP-Dominated Board's Brown Act Faux Pas To Block Selection

A single agent of the Democratic Party descended upon the Republican-dominated chambers of San Bernardino County's governmental echelon on Tuesday and with a fusillade of pointed statements that were cut short by Board of Supervisors Chairman Robert Lovin-good yet succeeded in at least temporarily derailing the ruling coalition's

planned trajectory of keeping the GOP lopsidedly in control of the reins of county government over the next two years.

In the aftermath of the election of Third District San Bernardino County Supervisor James Ramos to the California Assembly representing that body's 40<sup>th</sup> District on November 6, county officials began casting

about as to how Ramos's board position would be filled for the remaining two years of his term. Ramos was first elected in 2012 to a four-year term in the district that includes Barstow, Big Bear, Twentynine Palms, Yucca Valley Yucaipa, Redlands, Highland, Loma Linda, Grand Terrace, the eastern portion of the City of San Bernardino, a sliver of



**Ruth Musser-Lopez**  
Colton and 24 disparate unincorporated county areas. He was reelected

to a second term in 2016.

In November, though no official winner had yet been declared it appeared that the Democrat Ramos had an insurmountable lead over his Republican rival, San Bernardino City Councilman Henry Nickel, in the race for the Assembly in the 40<sup>th</sup> District. The board invited applicants for the position Ramos was **See P 3**

## Settlement Of Class Action Jail Lawsuit

A settlement agreement of a class action lawsuit filed against San Bernardino County and its sheriff's department relating primarily to the medical care provided to jail inmates and the use of force against them was approved by Federal Judge Virginia A. Phillips on Wednesday December 12, 2018.

Originally filed in 2016 by the Prison Law Office on behalf of inmates Rahshun Turner, Monique Lewis, Jaime Jaramillo, Joshua Mills and the "class and subclasses of inmates they represent," the suit raised issues relating to medical and mental health care of inmates, restrictive housing practices, staffing levels, Americans With Disabilities Act compliance, and use of force policies and procedures. The suit grew out of the Prison Law Office's 2014 initiative to bring neutral experts into the jail facilities to review policies and procedures there and interview staff and inmates.

The resolution of the suit was based upon those experts' findings and recommendations. The sheriff's department and the Prison Law Office negotiated a remedial plan that was incorporated into a proposed settlement agreement and a now-signed consent decree, which will be implemented and monitored by court experts having reasonable access to jails, jail records, staff, and inmates over the next four years to ensure compliance with the terms of the settlement.

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## Did DA Ramos Utilize His Mistress To Shield His Wife From Prosecution?

By Mark Gutglueck

More than a decade ago, Mary Ashley made a name for herself as a hard-charging deputy prosecutor devoted to obtaining convictions against those engaged in the sexual exploitation of children. Four years ago, her reputation in that regard was used as the ostensible grounds for promoting



**Mary Ashley**

her to the second highest ranking position in the San Bernardino County

District Attorney's Office, that of assistant district attorney. Now, with the ever-deepening scandal over the sexual abuse and molestation of students by teachers in the Redlands Unified School District intensifying, Ashley is on the brink of being fired as details emerge about her efforts to prevent detectives with the Redlands

Police Department from advancing with their investigation into reports relating to crimes that have to date resulted in the district paying settlements of \$30.7 million to the victims.

Pointedly, Ashley's motive in the cover-up appears to have roots in an equally lurid sex scandal in which she, the district attorney and the

district attorney's wife are entangled.

Like a good number of young attorneys, Ashley sought and obtained work as a prosecutor to beef up her résumé shortly after she passed the bar. In her case, she was hired by San Bernardino County's then-district attorney, Dennis Stout in 1998. Initially, she was given **See P 2**

## Felix Cites Family, Work Ethic, Friendship & Service Hallmarks As His Council Term Begins

When he was called upon to be sworn into office at Monday night's Upland City Council meeting, newly elected Upland District Three Councilman Ricardo "Ricky" Felix sallied forth with a retinue of four others – his wife Kelsie and his three daughters, aged six, four and two. As his wife held the two-year-old with one arm and the microphone for her husband

in her opposite hand, the four-year-old and the six-year-old stood between their father and Jim Thomas, a congregant at the Upland temple of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints which Felix and his family also attend. With Thomas guiding him through the oath of office, Felix, his right hand raised and his left hand resting on the Book of Mormon, vowed to abide by the U.S. and

California Constitutions in carrying out his municipal duties over the next four years.

At that moment, the gathered multitude in Upland City Hall seemed more fixated on the four women in his life than they were on Felix, who took it in stride.

"Family is incredibly important to me," said Felix. "It is the most important thing. As the father of daugh- **See P 5**

## The Fruit Of Persistence: When You Think You Can't Make It

By Thorney

My family moved to Fontana about 75 years ago, primarily so my father could get work at Kaiser Steel, like so many did from the Midwest. I attended the Fontana school system from kindergarten through high school. Fontana was a rough town during this period. There were a lot of car clubs and gangs, including the Hells Angels.

During those years I realized that I had an ability to read people and work out difficult situations. This ability resulted in my having more street experience than education. I considered school to be something I had to do and to complete. Therefore, my academic achievement reflected my lack of interest, except for math. I was lucky to graduate in 1957. **See P 15**

## 13 Candidates For Third District Supervisor Offer Their Perspectives

On Tuesday, the board of supervisors gave audience to the 13 candidates they designated as the most qualified of the 48 applicants to replace their just-departed colleague James Ramos in representing the county's Third District following Ramos's election to the California Assembly last month. That public forum held in the supervisors' meeting chambers allowed the 13

to expound upon their readiness to assume the office and to respond to questions those four board members had with regard to the hopefuls' views on various issues facing the county and the Third District. Twelve of the thirteen have previously held or currently hold elective office. The thirteenth, Sean Flynn, has been a candidate for Congress.

The exchanges be-

tween the board and the candidates thus offered something of a colloquium or brainstorming session featuring public officials with scores of years of combined experience in local government in San Bernardino County. Questions provided to the applicants in a questionnaire as part of their application pertained to what they felt should be priorities in the district, budgetary and finance

issues, what standards and restrictions should be applied in permitting utility-scale solar development to take place in the district, in particular its desert area, and uses to which the former Norton Air Force Base, now known as San Bernardino International Airport, might best be put.

Jan Leja in the 1990s was the mayor of Beaumont across the divide in Riverside County, was

elected to the Assembly but resigned before actually taking office and is now the chairwoman of the San Bernardino County Republican Party and a district representative to Congressman Paul Cook. She said that there was great diversity in the Third District in terms of rural and urban areas, the mountains, the desert and the valley such that "there is that balance **See P 6**

### Aggressive Prosecution Of Sexual Abuse Cases Advanced Ashley's Career from front page

the routine, menial assignments given to virtually all newcomers in the office, the less-than-glamorous role of filing low- and middle-grade misdemeanor cases, evaluating police reports to determine whether enough evidence existed for the office to proceed with what most prosecutors and much of the public consider to be trifling matters. A year later she was given a reprieve from the drear of that station when she was allowed to move on to felony work. Initially she was entrusted mainly with theft cases, primarily involving auto theft, matters about which she feigned some enthusiasm, but for which she felt no real passion. With the new millennium, however, she was given a handful of child molest and child abuse assignments. It was within this province of the law that Ashley seemed to have found her calling.

In 2002, Mike Ramos, a deputy prosecutor under Dennis Stout who had been employed by Stout and then-Assistant District Attorney Dan Lough to prosecute,

among other things, political corruption and malfeasance in office cases against Hispanic elected and appointed government officials, challenged Stout and beat him in that year's election.

Ramos continued to employ Ashley, who was then working out of the Victorville prosecutor's office, in the same capacity she had acceded to under Stout. In 2004, with the formulation of the Victorville Family Violence Unit, a pilot program intended to test the efficacy of concentrating investigative and prosecutorial resources with regard to a specified subset of generally related cases including the physical abuse of minors, women and seniors, fraud targeting the elderly and sexual exploitation and abuse, Ashley was designated as its lead prosecutor. In little more than six years as an attorney, her career was advancing nicely.

Along the way, Ashley had developed a relationship with another up-and-coming member of the district attorney's office, Alex Martinez. In time, they married.

To be certain, there are aspects of the prosecution of sex-related crimes and in particular crimes relating to the sexual-predation of

children that carry with them significant and complicated application-of-justice implications. The mere leveling of such accusations - accurate or not - have a profoundly and often irreversible negative impact upon the accused. The nature of the charges will render virtually all elements of the public biased against the defendant, making mounting a defense - even a legitimate one - extremely difficult. Moreover, the sordid facts, minutiae and evidence presented in the making of such cases are extremely abhorrent. Even if the veracity of the charges can be successfully brought into question or refuted, the association with the allegations can destroy a defendant's reputation forever.

Faced with that reality, most defendants will plead guilty short of trial, particularly if the prosecution offers a sentencing recommendation, which in the overwhelming number of cases are ratified by the court, that is substantially less than the decade-or-more sentences that the conviction on such crimes often result in. Indeed, even an innocent defendant under the duress of facing such charges and at the advice of competent legal counsel, will enter a

guilty plea.

Questions attended Ashley's comportment within this milieu. While her skill as a trial lawyer was not her strong suit, the sheer ferocity with which she handled each case and the air of moral rectitude which she convincingly assumed conveyed that there was no question that those she was prosecuting were absolutely guilty of the most despicable acts imaginable. The indigent she prosecuted whose defense was handled by the county's poorly funded and inadequately staffed public defenders were helpless before her onslaught. In the cases where she was up against a better financially-fixed defendant, by her display of moral outrage over the circumstances of the alleged crimes she succeeded again and again at convincing the judges before whom the matters were being tried to foreclose whatever legal gambits of escape that were being utilized by those defendants to elude what she insisted was those defendants' just retribution.

In one precedent setting instance, Ashley succeeded in expanding the ability of prosecutors to push a case of sexual assault toward ultimate conviction. Of significance, in that particular case the victim was connected to a crucial element of the legal defense network in San Bernardino County that might have otherwise been opposed to the expansion of the prosecutorial reach of the law she employed.

Robert Lee Cadogan, who was then 43, stealthily gained entry, early in the morning of Christmas Eve 2004, into the home of a deputy public defender. Once inside he crept into one of the home's bedrooms where the homeowner's 20-year-old niece, visiting for the holidays, was sleeping. He forcibly raped her, threatening to kill her if she awoke anyone. Afterward, Cadogan was quickly apprehended. In February 2005, his defense attorney stymied the legal proceedings

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against him with a claim of his client's mental incompetence, which was confirmed the following month when the court received a psychologist's finding that Cadogan was not competent to stand trial. In May 2005, Ashley made a motion with the court that a so-called "conditional examination" of Cadogan's wife, Paris Cadogan, take place on the grounds that she was terminally ill with cancer and likely would not survive until trial. Cadogan's attorney opposed the motion, arguing the criminal proceedings had been suspended and the conditional examination should not go forward. The court ordered the conditional examination to proceed, and that examination of Mrs. Cadogan took place on May 16, 2005. Under questioning, Paris Cadogan provided testimony deemed probative of her husband's guilt, including her description of him fleeing from her home when the police arrived to question him, together with sexual characteristics of Robert Lee Cadogan matching testimony by the victim. She stated that her husband had vitiligo, a skin condition which resulted in white patches on his hands and genitals, which matched the victim's description. The following month, June 2005, Paris Cadogan died. The hearing into Cadogan's competence to stand trial continued from that point forward and the court thereafter granted Ashley's motion to compel Cadogan to submit to a psycho-

logical examination, overcoming his refusal to submit to follow-up mental condition testing after the March 2005 finding of incompetence. A competency trial for Cadogan was initiated in April 2006, ending with a jury's conclusion in May 2006 that he was indeed competent to stand trial, and the court reinstated criminal proceedings against him. In July 2007, a second jury was impaneled and the defendant's trial on his alleged crimes began. Cadogan's attorney sought to have the case dismissed based on the court having allowed the conditional examination despite the case having been suspended. The court denied the defendant's motion to dismiss and permitted the prosecution to play the videotape of Paris Cadogan's conditional examination for the jury. The jury subsequently convicted Cadogan of forcible rape, forcible oral copulation, attempted sodomy by use of force and first degree residential burglary. Cadogan was sentenced to 37-years-to-life in prison. His attorney, Marsha Clark, appealed the conviction to the Fourth District California Court of Appeal, Division 3, contending the court erred by admitting at trial evidence obtained at a conditional examination of his late wife because Cadogan's competency was in question at the time of the conditional examination. The Court of Appeal upheld the conviction, with

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## Democrats Stymie Board Appointment Process With Brown Act Violation Allegation *from front page*

about to vacate. This, apparently, upset Ramos, whose wish was that the board simply replace him with his assistant chief of staff, Chris Carrillo, also a Democrat. A shouting match between Ramos and Lovinggood ensued on the Fifth Floor of the county administration building at 325 North Arrowhead Avenue in downtown San Bernardino, where the supervisors' offices are located. This confrontation between Ramos and Lovinggood was unexpected and out of character for both men, who had together first been elected in 2012 and between whom there had consistently seemed to be a warm, cooperative and abiding relationship for nearly six years. In essence, the *Sentinel* is informed, Ramos detected at that point an intent on the part of the majority of the board that would remain in place after his departure to fill his board position, which is considered to be a nonpartisan office, with a Republican.

The partisan dynamic is a powerful one in governmental circles throughout San Bernardino County. Once a dependably Republican state, California began roughly 30 years ago to gradually tilt toward the Democratic Party, though various areas remained strongly Republican. Among those has been San Bernardino County. The Party of Lincoln has maintained its grip on the county even in the face of significant challenges over the years, including the indictment and conviction of some of the leading Republican politicians and party leaders and officials in the county as well demographic shifts against the Grand Old Party locally. Indeed, in 2009 the Democrats eclipsed the Republicans in terms of party affiliation in San Bernardino County overall. Yet through running well-funded and aggressive campaigns that appealed to voters unaffiliated with either of the major parties and making energetic efforts to ensure that registered Republicans turn out to vote, the Republicans have had their candidates remain in office in far greater numbers in San Bernardino County than

the Democrats, whose county party structure has been fragmented and uncoordinated and its electioneering efforts for the most part and with only limited exceptions listless. With Ramos's departure and the board at three-quarters strength, the Republicans on the panel – First District Supervisor Lovinggood, Second District Supervisor Janice Rutherford and Fourth District Supervisor Curt Hagman – outnumber and overpower the lone Democrat, Fifth District Supervisor Josie Gonzales. Under San Bernardino County's charter, the board must fill any vacancy among its ranks within 30 days or the decision automatically is to be made by the governor. The charter does not provide for conducting a special election to fill the void, but leaves the methodology for selecting the replacement board member to the board. Ramos was sworn in as an assemblyman on December 3 in Sacramento. By prior arrangement his resignation as supervisor was to be effective simultaneous with his ascendancy to the Assembly. Thus, the board of supervisors has until January 2, 2019 to install his replacement on the board, or the appointment will fall to outgoing Governor Jerry Brown or Governor-elect Gavin Newsom, whose inauguration is scheduled for January 7. Both Brown and Newsom are Democrats, so the controlling majority on the board of supervisors is determined to make its own selection to head off the possibility that Brown or Newsom would appoint a Democrat.

A total of 48 applied for the position at stake including former San Bernardino County Third District Supervisor Dennis L. Hansberger, San Bernardino County Republican Central Committee Chairwoman Janice Leja, one-time Democratic Congressional Candidate Kaisar Ahmed, Republican Central Committee member Damon

L. Alexander, Yucaipa Mayor Greg Bogh, Loma Linda City Councilman Ronald Dailey, Former San Bernardino County Fifth District Chief of Staff and Inland Empire Taxpayers Association Founder Chris Mann, San Bernardino Mayor Carey Davis, Matthew Campos, Chris Carrillo, one-time Democratic Congressional Candidate Libbern Cook, former Third District San Bernardino County Supervisor Neil Derry, former Twentynine Palms Mayor Jim Bagley, former San Bernardino County Superior Court Judge Robert Fawke, Loma Linda Mayor Rhodes Rigsby, Pat Ferraris, Brian Hairston, former Republican Congressional Candidate Sean Flynn, former Loma Linda Councilman T. Milford Harrison, Barstow Mayor Julie Hackbarth-McIntyre, Karen Ickes, Former Rialto Mayor and California Assemblyman John Longville, current Big Bear Councilman/former Chino Councilman William Jahn, Treasure Ortiz, Cristina Puraci, Mario Saucedo, David Radtke, Former San Bernardino Mayor Judith Valles, Grand Terrace Councilwoman Sylvia Robles, current field representative to Republican Congressman Paul Cook/former Yucca Valley Councilwoman Dawn Rowe, Redlands Councilman Eddie Tejada, Kristin Washington, former San Bernardino City Councilman Tobin Brinker, Eric Whedbee, Mike Saiffee, Jack Roberts, Renea Wickman, Neil Gericke, James G. Glass, Rosa E. Gomez, former Republican Assemblyman/State Senator Bill Emmerson, Heather Reagan, Richard T. Herrick, Jody L. Isenberg, Kenneth W. Lussier, Eugene Melville of Yucaipa and Robert D. Wilson. Of those 48, no fewer than twelve are registered Democrats. Doing a quick winnowing process, the board provided all applicants with a questionnaire, and without revealing the answers provided by any of the individuals to the ten

questions, reduced the field to 13 candidates: Leja, Hansberger, Daily, Mann, Davis, Bagley, Rigsby, Flynn, Hackbarth-McIntyre, Jahn, Rowe, Brinker and Emmerson.

The board had performed that winnowing process behind closed doors through each of them casting oral votes for up to ten of the applicants. Those receiving at least two votes were put on the semi-finalists list. The only recordation of votes was made by the clerk of the board, Laura Welch, who affixed a mark next to the name of the voted-for candidate on a list of the applicants, with no indication of which supervisor had cast which vote. In this way, the only known votes of any of the supervisors were for three of the candidates – McIntyre, Jahn and Rigsby – each of whom had received four votes. Both Emmerson and Flynn received three votes.

In making that reduction, the board eliminated all but one of the Democrats who had applied, the exception being Loma Linda Councilman Dailey. The remainder were Republicans, with the exceptions of Brinker, who has declined to state his political affiliation and Emmerson, who likewise identifies himself as nonpartisan. Since resigning as a state senator in 2013, Emmerson has reinvented himself as a lobbyist concentrating primarily on medical issues and accordingly has found it to be in his professional interest to have severed his Republican ties while working with legislators who are predominantly Democrats.

The thirteen semi-finalists were invited to a forum before the board of supervisors meeting in a specially-called session on Tuesday. In the public comment session before the supervisors initiated the presentations from and the questioning of the candidates, Ruth Musser-Lopez, a member of the San Bernardino County Central Committee and an unsuccessful candidate for

State Senate in the 16th District spoke. After some initial contretemps with Lovinggood over her observation that Carey Davis had failed to gain reelection as mayor in this year's election, she assailed the fashion in which the selection process was being conducted. "Apparently you guys polled yourselves and voted," she said. "I want to see those votes. Yesterday you sent in votes for different candidates and you selected 13. You sent in people you would vote for and that's against the Brown Act, and I want to object to what you did. I also want to see the votes."

Referring to the "*County Wire*," a communique from the county administrative office regarding county governmental developments intended for public consumption, Musser-Lopez said, "The person who sent this wire out said if they didn't get two votes or more then they don't get interviewed today. So there's a bunch of candidates that aren't going to get interviewed, even if one of you wanted them. You voted. And if two of you voted for them, they get to speak today. That's illegal. That's polling the supervisors. I object to that. It appears that this list, since it takes two votes and three of you are Republicans and this is supposed to be nonpartisan, turns out to be partisan."

Musser-Lopez said, "Chris Carrillo, I understand, [was who] James Ramos recommended. James Ramos was the person that the people wanted and through the voice of the people he actually got elected to a higher position. You would think you would take the peoples' concern [and] be respectful of them. The people are represented by James Ramos."

Musser-Lopez's three minutes had at that point elapsed and Lovinggood called for the next speaker, preempting Musser Lopez's further comments.

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## **Ashley's Relationship With DA Vaulted Her Above 25 More Experienced Prosecutors** *from page 2*

its only modification that it substituted a one-year consecutive term rather than a four-year consecutive term for his attempted sodomy conviction, reducing Cadogan's total prison term commitment from 37-years-to-life to 34-years-to-life.

The upshot of the ruling on appeal was that in the future prosecutors would be at liberty to utilize conditional examinations in obtaining convictions. Ashley was lionized as an able, resourceful, daring and bold prosecutor, crusading for justice on behalf of helpless and defenseless victims of sexual violence. At one point, for over a year running in her capacity as its lead prosecutor, the Victorville Family Violence Unit logged a 100 percent conviction rate. Despite suggestions that not all of the defendants Ashley was prosecuting were guilty as charged and that she was making her mark as a consequence of the advantage she had in prosecuting cases in which the plight of the alleged victims naturally resonated with most jurors and redounded to the defendants' detriment, Ashley's stock in the office was steadily rising.

Given the nature of the cases she was steeped in, it had not been lost upon Ashley that for many men, their

libidos can drive much of their action and override their judgment.

Among some of her colleagues, particularly woman, Ashley was perceived as a climber who was not above utilizing her sexuality to ingratiate herself with the men in the district attorney's office or the legal community to advance professionally. In time, her marriage with Alex Martinez, who would subsequently be appointed to the Superior Court, would falter. Her fraternization with her male colleagues resulted in a degree of embarrassment to those with whom she worked, complicating relations within the office and twisting the focus of its function. One such fling was with another prosecutor, David Mazurek, who was appointed to the San Bernardino County Superior Court by Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger in 2006. Their liaison would result in some degree of complication for both the prosecutor's office and the court system, as cases Ashley was prosecuting on occasion came before him in the Victorville Courthouse. That brewing contretemps was headed off, at least temporarily, in January 2008 when Ashley was transferred from Victorville to Joshua Tree, where she became a supervising prosecutor for the district attorney's office there. Thirteen months later, however, in February 2009, Mazurek was assigned to the Yucca Valley Courthouse.

Within three months, rumors began to circu-

late about the relationship between Mazurek and Ashley, with concern growing that it was highly improper for her to be overseeing any elements of the prosecutor's office's function in Yucca Valley while her paramour was hearing the cases she and the deputy district attorneys she supervised were prosecuting. Ultimately, then-Assistant Presiding Judge Michael Welch intervened, preventing an already insalubrious circumstance from worsening into a full-blown scandal.

Ashley's fraternization with her male colleagues flourished in an atmosphere that was a reflection of the culture at the highest level of the office, the tenor of which was set by the district attorney himself, Mike Ramos. Ramos had a celebrated penchant for womanizing, in particular involving the office's staff members or others involved in San Bernardino County's legal community. Even prior to his election as district attorney in 2002, Ramos's liaisons with many different women when he was employed as a deputy prosecutor under then-District Attorney Dennis Stout were known to some of his colleagues. After he assumed the post of district attorney, his activity accelerated along with his elevation in status and became more widely known, as his relationships with three of his own deputy prosecutors, two of his office's evidence technicians and two of his office's clerks

scandalized the office. In May of 2009, the brewing calumny fully manifested when Ramos was publicly linked with a dozen women to whom he was not married, one of whom included the county's then-public defender, Doreen Boxer. In at least a few instances, some of the women employed in the district attorney's office to whom Ramos was linked had attempted and on occasion succeeded in using their relationships with their boss to promote themselves professionally. It was thus perhaps inevitable that Ashley would gravitate into a relationship with Ramos. Significantly, Ashley took the circumstance beyond occasional trysts and capitalized on the matter by distinguishing herself from his other liaisons by cementing their relationship into a more permanent one by becoming his mistress. From there she would bootstrap herself up into the position of the office's second-in-command, assistant district attorney.

In June 2014, Ramos was reelected to his fourth term as the county's top prosecutor.

Four months later, disguising his action as an "office reorganization," Ramos proposed creating a third assistant district attorney's position. The following month, in November 2014, he presented the official reorganization proposal to the board of supervisors, the members of which unanimously ratified it and funded it. In effectuating the reorganization,

he promoted Ashley into the newly created assistant district attorney position, bypassing a multitude of other more experienced and respected prosecutors in the office, most notably John Kochis, who was widely viewed by his colleagues to be the most logical candidate for promotion to an open assistant district attorney's position, based on his 37 years' experience as a prosecutor, including a decade overseeing the Rancho Cucamonga office. Nearly two dozen prosecutors in the office, all with résumés

equal to or surpassing Ashley's – Michael Abney, Bruce Brown, Rob Brown, Terry Brown, Bob Bulloch, Lewis Cope, Michelle Daly, Gary Fagan, Charles Feibush, Joseph Gaetano, Clark Hansen III, Britt Imes, Grover Merritt, Kathy Norman, Maureen O'Connell, Doug Poston, James Secord, Reza Sadeghi, Kevin Smith, Denise Trager-Dvorak, Charles Umeda, Ron Webster, Simon Umschied and Richard Young – were also overlooked.

As assistant district attorney, Ashley was called upon to oversee all criminal operations for the Central, West Valley and juvenile divisions as well as that pertaining to crimes against children, family violence and elder abuse.

Beginning as early as 2007, a report that Laura Whitehurst, a first-year teacher at Redlands High School, was sexually involved with students had reached Redlands High

School Principal Christina Rivera, Redlands High School Vice Principal Michael Muñoz and Hilary Craw, a student counselor at the school. That report would be followed by at least two other indicators of inappropriate relations between Whitehurst, the daughter of longtime Redlands Unified School District Teacher Dale Whitehurst, and other male students at the school. When a handful of students spoke openly about what they had witnessed, one going so far as to say that Whitehurst was having sex with students, they were admonished to quit spreading rumors. In late 2007, Rivera and Craw, in response to the persistence of those rumors, questioned Laura Whitehurst and a 16-year-old male student, both of whom denied there was anything going on between them.

Despite those alarm bells, no one at Redlands High School or with the Redlands Unified School District informed law enforcement authorities about Whitehurst under California's mandated reporter law, which requires that educators, medical professionals, psychologists, clergy, social workers, firefighters, daycare facility employees and childcare workers must report to law enforcement or child protective services within 36 hours any activity or information such a mandated reporter might reasonably suspect relates to the abuse of a

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## Felix Wants Council To Reestablish Trust With Residents *from front page*

ters – there is always a special place in a father's heart for his daughters – and as a father of a young family, I want to make sure they are safe all the time. I want side-walks without bumps so they can safely ride their bikes. I want every school in the city to offer the same great education as each of the other schools. I want to give my children the upbringing every parent wants for their family. I believe in family values. But family isn't just blood. I have close friends who have become my family as well. Friends are family."

He added, "I want us to become more of a family as a community. I want family values and I want community values."

The 37-year-old Felix has lived in Upland for eight years. He said his segue into politics was a natural outgrowth of his approach to life.

"I initially became interested in politics in the 2000 Election, which was first time I was eligible to vote," he said. "That was the George

Bush, Al Gore and Ralph Nader contest. From that point on, I guess, I have always been intrigued with the political process. I am always looking into things. I believe it is better to try to fix things than complain about them and that is probably why I got into city politics."

Felix said, "I think the most important thing we can do as a city council is become trustworthy. Infrastructure is important as well, but will take time. Right now, first, I think we need to become trustworthy so people can rely on us and know we have a listening ear. During my campaign, I made very few promises. The only things I promised is that I would do my best and I'll care. I stand by that promise: I'll care and try my best."

Last month's election was a historical first for the City of Gracious Living, the first time since its incorporation 112 years ago that the city has elected its council members by district. Previously, Upland held at-large elections where the only requirement for office was that one live within the 15.66-square mile city limits. This year, three-fourths of the city's residents voted to fill the city's second, third and fourth district



council positions. Under the new system, each district must be directly represented only by a resident living within it and only district residents are eligible to vote for their council member. Felix is a Third District resident. The Third District roughly encompasses the city's southwest quadrant.

Felix says he is prepared to advocate for his constituents' interests. Compared with the rest of Upland, Felix said there is a need for "a lot more repair in the southwest corner of the city."

Still, Felix said, "I don't want to dwell on the differences, because all of the quadrants, southwest, southeast, northeast and northwest, are all the same city. None of us are outside the city. I am of the Third District, the southwest quadrant, but I represent the City of Upland. I think it is important that we recognize the differences and different needs of the districts but I think segregating everyone by district would be wrong. It shouldn't matter where you live if you are still a resident of Upland."

The world of politics, or at least Upland politics, has just opened up for Felix, and he said he is looking forward to digging in.

"Obviously, there are things I would like to accomplish, and I think as a council working together we will take those things step by step. The first step is having the residents know we are devoted to them and that we are sincere in trying to do what is best for Up-

land."

He said he believes he and his council colleagues need to be realistic about what they can and cannot do, and should create priorities which match the city's capabilities.

"We don't have a goose that lays golden eggs," he said. "We can't print money to do all these great things. I've sat just one time on the council, although I've been around City Hall and attending council meetings pretty regularly for two years. I think I need to see where the city's money is coming from, how much we have, what it is being allocated. I think I need to know and the rest of the council needs to know where we are financially so we can assess what it is that we can do."

Perhaps the best indication of who he is is where he comes from and those who have shaped his personality.

He grew up in Glendora and went to High School there. More important was the influence of his parents, Felix said.

"My dad was born in Mexico and came to the United States in the 1970s," Felix said. "He is retired now. He was an electrician and a rail-roader. He worked for the Union Pacific Railroad. My dad taught me about working and the importance of having a work ethic. He taught me to get up in the morning and to go accomplish, and if you can do more, then you should do more than just what is expected of you. He taught me that you should cre-

ate multiple streams of income so you can look forward to retiring comfortably. I can tell you that some of my fondest memories of when I was a kid are of my dad taking me on Saturdays to downtown Los Angeles where he was doing electrical work. He took me with him not just so he could teach me how to do electrical work, but so that I could see what work was and that was how you earned money. He was teaching me that money wasn't important just because you could spend it but he wanted me to see where it comes from and to have respect for it."

Felix continued, "My mom was hardworking like my father. She was born in Texas and raised in Mexico. My grandfather, her father, was a fruit picker. She had worked hard early in my parents' marriage, and as she progressed in life and she got older she decided it was time to quit working and take care of her family as a stay-at-home mom. That was when I was eight years old. I was the youngest of three. She sacrificed and devoted herself to raising us kids because she felt that was more important. When we were older and I was in high school, she went to college and got a four-year degree in human resources at Cal Poly. My parents taught us how important it was to get an education. They instilled in us a work ethic. They taught us how to sacrifice."

Without doing so directly, Felix suggested, his parents nudged him

in the direction of being an elected civic leader. "Service has been in my blood since I was a little boy," he said. "My dad taught me that it is an honor and a privilege to be able to serve people and not expect anything in return. That is something dear to my heart. I enjoy helping people succeed. If people have a dream and can clearly express that dream, I want to figure out a way to help them make that dream come to life."

Felix is employed as a Title 24 construction standards inspector specializing in heating, ventilation and air conditioning [HVAC] systems. "I do HVAC inspections, making sure HVAC systems are up to California standard," he said. "I think the best way to describe me is I am an energy efficiency inspector."

He has no pretensions, Felix said.

"I am just a regular person who wants to do what we are on this earth to do, whatever that is," he said. "I am very Christ-oriented. I try to do what the Christian thing to do is. With all of my decisions and what I will be voting on, I will be thinking about that long and hard, about what the best way to proceed would be and the best thing that should be done. I will ponder very hard about what is best for the city and making the city into a good place to live."

He has no illusions about how he made it into office, Felix said, indicating his successful candidacy was as much the outcome of the efforts of others who had boosted him into position as the fruit of his own ambition and drive.

"I want people to know I didn't do this alone," he said. "My wife was always there. My daughters sacrificed time with their dad so I could campaign and go to city council and planning commission meetings. My campaign manager sacrificed time with her husband and her kids. My campaign

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we have to identify between conservation and development.” She said there needed to be “give and take between developed property and open space.”

Dennis Hansberger, who was the Third District supervisor from 1972 until 1980 and again from 1996 until 2008, said the board should recognize that the vast majority of the county’s residents have an impression of the county that is determined by “county employees [who rather than the board members] deliver the services.” Thus, he said, it was important for the board members to pay close attention to the county’s line employees and “understand what they’re asking us to do to give them the power to do their jobs well.” The board should also, he said, “be out in the community [to] listen to how they [county residents] perceive what we’re doing and the county serves them.” He said the supervisors should look beyond their own districts, “making sure you get to know the problems of the other supervisors.”

The county should beef up and maintain its reserves, he said. “When business is good for the county, the public demand for services goes down,” Hansberger said. “When the economy is poor, the demand for service goes up. You’ve got to set aside money for those times when the economy is down, so you can continue the task that you’ve got to do and you don’t have to pull service out from under people simply because the money dried up because we spent it in the good times.”

Loma Linda Councilman Ronald Dailey said he perceived the “role of supervisor as one of policy development, budgeting and holding professional staff accountable to the policy decisions of the board.” He said the board should set the policy in place and allow

staff to execute on those policy decisions unmo- lested. “My role would not be to micromanage or second guess the recommendations of professional staff,” he said. “Whatever elegant plans or strategic plans we can develop, it ultimately comes down to our ability to interact and trust each other as people. As we get into these tough issues, what is most important is not the plans and programs... but it is to be able to communicate effectively with people so they feel understood so that we would be able to achieve a nexus of understanding and move forward.”

Chris Mann, who was elected Mayor of Westlake Village in Los Angeles County when he was 23, was Supervisor Josie Gonzales’s chief of staff for a time, owns his own public relations company, is a member of the Yucaipa Water Board and the founder of a taxpayers association, said, “One of the toughest challenges I see facing this board in the coming years is balancing the need to honor our staff and to provide the resources they need to do their jobs while at the same time being fiscally responsible.”

Mann said, “I think there’s a lot of opportunity at San Bernardino International Airport with technology. I think that is such a huge asset that we have right in our back yard but I think the focus for a long time had been in trying to attract passenger traffic, and I just don’t think that’s the future there. But I think there are a lot of other opportunities, and technology is one of those. That could be ground zero for a lot of drone technology along with cargo and maintenance.”

Citing as an example his experience as a probation officer shortly after he graduated from college and the frustration he felt over having to spend a significant amount of his time writing reports rather than counseling and monitoring his charges, Mann said, “Government can get in the way of the stat-

ed purpose and the best interests of the residents. There is a huge amount of paperwork [involved in government that detracts from employees actively addressing issues in the field]. Government needs to get back to not just protecting itself by implementing new forms but to the actual service for the people we represent.”

Carey Davis, the mayor of San Bernardino for the last four-and-a-half years whose major accomplishments were guiding the city out of the bankruptcy the city declared in 2012 and nudging the city’s residents to adopt a replacement municipal charter to the one that had been in place for 111 years, said, “There is need to increase the educational outcomes. The city of San Bernardino’s population over 25 only has approximately 67 percent that have a high school degree, and only about 10 percent that have a bachelor’s degree. I think it is a little higher in the Third District. In order to be able to meet some of those needs and reduce dependency on social services, there needs to be robust workforce training to be able to meet the demands of jobs and employers and to make sure [students] are continuing that as a lifelong learning exercise. As we see the environment in jobs today changing so rapidly, it’s important that it’s not just a one-time education event of a graduation but it’s an ongoing learning.”

Davis said, “We are in a situation right now where we are not sure where the economy is headed That’s why it was important to build a reserve but it’s also important for the the city to make sure they hold that reserve in abeyance so that it’s used appropriately, so it’s not looked at as a short term fix, it’s used as those long term needs arrive. One of those is pensions. That is one of the things the county is needing to look at. The 2016/2017 change in the financial statement that I was able to discover [shows] that during that time there was

a \$400 million increase, I believe, in the pension obligation debt for the county. Like the city, the county is going to need to make those necessary changes to sustain it through that period of time. The county is setting aside reserves, but those reserves may not be enough for some of those future costs especially if, as you see, the discount rate may be potentially reduced. Those are some of the common problems that my city had that I think the county is potentially facing.” The discount rate is a rebate on the amount a city or county pays to cover its pension costs if it delivers that money prior to the beginning of the fiscal year on July 1.

Davis said that with regard to the Santa Ana River, there is “the need to maintain that water habitat and at the same time capturing the water resource it provides.” To bypass the objections and opposition to the building of solar plants by residents in some desert communities, Davis suggested locating solar panel fields near or on active or shuttered landfills. “There may be some land potential use on those landfills to establish some solar sites,” he said. “I think there’s a way to provide an opportunity to where you can reduce the cost of energy expenditure for the county by potentially becoming one of those providers and adding into the grid. I don’t know how close those landfills are to some of those grids but that might be an opportunity to establish some of those solar sites where we already have control over the land and so it’s not something where we have to necessarily identify the space. The space is there. It would be a matter of identifying if the infrastructure could be produced ... to make that transmission of that energy so it could be then a cost-effective approach.”

Jim Bagley, who was a signatory of the incorporation documents for the City of Twentynine Palms and a member of

that city’s maiden city council and three times its appointed mayor, was also the president of the county’s transportation commission, president of the San Bernardino County Local Agency Formation Commission as an elected official and a member of that panel as a citizen representative. He said he was enthusiastic about creating community action plans which he said, “allow residents to achieve what their land planning vision is for their own community. I very much believe in this community action planning process. I believe the citizens are engaged in that process and they are defining whether or not they want large-scale solar utilities in the communities or they don’t. As somebody from a local government background, I think that input is absolutely essential. The mandate to create large-scale solar utilities in the desert is a greenhouse gas initiative. It’s come forward from President Obama and Governor Brown and it’s really being forced upon some of these communities, whether they want it or not. I believe you, as an elected official, have to represent the people who elect you, irregardless (sic) of whether it’s your own personal philosophy. I am very much aware of the strong organized opposition to large utility projects within the communities. I believe there is a place for them in the California desert and I believe that’s part of the planing process before the planing commission that comes before the supervisors but I also believe you must respect the community wishes of individual distinct communities when they say, ‘We do not want this in our neighborhood.’ I understand the reason. If you have a residence on five acres, and you move or live in the desert by choice because it is a quality of life issue, you give up certain things for that rural environment and if somebody comes in and builds a large-scale operation next to you it would totally

change the quality of life for you forever.”

Loma Linda Mayor Rhodes Rigsby, a physician who is currently the executive director of home care services at Loma Linda University Medical Center and was formerly the chief medical officer there, said that he had traveled to Africa to attend a course while in medical school. “There are a lot of things that make some countries more functional than others,” he said. “A lot of it has to do with government. There are a lot of things that make countries dysfunctional and that has a lot to do with government as well.” He said that as the chief medical officer at Loma Linda University Medical Center he had found that he had no choice but to deny the requests of doctors when they requested things that were not cost effective. “It is not the most popular position to be in to tell somebody, ‘No.’” he said. He said that his “political philosophy [was built] around limited government. If government is going to do a job, it needs to manage itself correctly. It needs to use the principles of management that work in business. It needs to leverage its people as well as its technologies. It has to make sure it answers the needs of people who depend on government as well as the needs of people who support government. The best government is the government that governs the least because we have determined as the American people that there is a certain amount of collective the government should help us all with, but the government should only do what it does best and let everything else happen in the private sector. And when government is done doing what it does best, it stops, it doesn’t go any further, in my ideal world.”

Rigsby said there is a need to ensure that the county prevents external predatory medical service operators from interfering with the estab-

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child. Unwilling to act on the basis of gossip, Redlands High administrators undertook no internal investigation of Whitehurst and no information with regard to what was known or suspected was provided to law enforcement or child protective services. As either a precaution or as a consequence of a routine rotation, district officials subsequently transferred Whitehurst to a teaching assignment at Citrus Valley High School. In short order, there were reports circulating among students and some teachers there with regard to what was thought to be continued inappropriate contact between Whitehurst and students.

In 2011, as a consequence of a legal action brought against the district, East Valley High School and Redlands Unified administrators were provided information that an East Valley High teacher, Megan Kelly, had been involved with a student beginning in January 2009 and continuing until May 2009, just prior to that student graduating in 2009. The district placed Kelly on paid administrative leave.

In 2012, officials at Redlands High School learned of what were termed "highly inappropriate" interactions between Redlands High math teacher/golf coach

Kevin Kirkland and a female student, including suggestive text messages in which Kirkland appeared to be luring her to his home. When confronted by district administrators, Kirkland acknowledged his comportment, saying he recognized that he had used "poor judgment." He was strongly counseled to discontinue the behavior and a notation of unprofessional conduct was inserted into his personnel file for what was supposed to be ten years.

In the spring of 2013 there had been reports of a relationship between Whitehurst, who was visibly pregnant, and a student. In May 2013, both Whitehurst and the student were questioned about their relationship by a school official and separately denied anything improper between them existed. On June 18, 2013, Whitehurst gave birth to a child out of wedlock. A photo of her in a maternity room in the presence of the previously referenced student, then 17, came into the possession of district officials. Shortly thereafter, the student's mother contacted district officials and told them Whitehurst's child was her grandchild. District officials then informed Redlands police. Shortly thereafter, Whitehurst was arrested.

By that point, the school district was under legal siege by the 2009 Redlands High graduate who had alleged being sexually abused by Megan Kelly, who also went by the name Megan Cullen. Collectively, the district and Kelly had de-

nied the allegations after district officials had conducted an investigation that was later paralleled by a Redlands Police Department investigation. No physical evidence to support the charges could be located, as the events in question had taken place some two years before the student came forth to make the accusation. In an effort to quietly dispose of the lawsuit brought by the student, the terms of a settlement were worked out. That settlement involved a \$505,000 payment to the student and an agreement that Kelly, who had remained on paid administrative leave since 2011, would continue to draw her pay until she officially left the employ of the district as of June 2014, with the proviso that she would be ineligible to return to work for the district ever thereafter.

Ultimately, Whitehurst, who after an extensive and somewhat belated investigation by the Redlands Police Department was charged with 41 felony counts of unlawful sex acts, pleaded guilty to four counts of unlawful sexual intercourse and two counts of oral copulation with a person under 18, pertaining to relationships she had with three male students while she was teaching at Citrus Valley and Redlands high schools. She was sentenced to a year in prison and required to register as a sex offender. She was released after serving six months of that sentence.

In 2015, district officials again became

aware of inappropriate conduct by Kirkland, this time involving his having taken several female students off campus during lunch hour. He was again upbraided by district officials and once again acknowledged having used poor judgment. Another notation of unprofessional conduct was placed into his personnel file, but no report was made to the Redlands Police Department.

In late March 2016, the father of one of Kirkland's victims bypassed district officials and went with his daughter directly to the Redlands Police Department, reporting to them what Kirkland had engaged in. A criminal investigation was begun and the police department contacted the district. In April 2016, the district placed Kirkland on administrative leave. In relatively short order, the Redlands Police Department established that Kirkland was sexually involved with four students between June 2014 and March 2016. In May 2016, Redlands Police Department investigators sought and obtained an arrest warrant for Kirkland. He was not at his Rancho Cucamonga home. After it was determined he was out of the state, he was located in Gilbert, Arizona, where he was taken into custody. His bail was set at \$1.5 million and was reduced less than a week later to \$275,000, though he remained in custody.

In August 2016, the Redlands Unified School District agreed to a \$6 million settlement in a lawsuit filed by attorneys Morgan Stewart and Vince Finaldi of the Irvine-based law firm Manly, Stewart & Finaldi on behalf of the father of Laura Whitehurst's child against the district.

In April 2017, Kirkland acknowledged molesting four female Redlands High School students from June 2014 through May 2016, entailing guilty pleas on eight felonies and three misdemeanors. Represented by attorney Sean O'Connor, Kirkland was sentenced on June

12, 2017 to two years in prison, whereupon he was granted credit for time served and good behavior and released from custody the same day, having served one day less than 13 months in county custody at the West Valley Detention Center in Rancho Cucamonga from May 13, 2016 until June 12, 2017.

On September 14, 2017 attorneys Morgan Stewart and Saul Wolf of Manly, Stewart & Finaldi filed a suit on behalf of a 19-year-old former Redlands High School student, identified as Jane RSL Doe, in which she named Kirkland as a defendant, along with the Redlands Unified School District, Redlands High School, former Redlands High School Principal Christina Rivera and former Redlands School District Superintendent Lori Rhodes. In the suit, Jane RSL Doe claimed she was abused by Kirkland beginning when she was 15. On September 18, 2017 Stewart and Wolf filed a second suit on behalf of four former Redlands High School students, a 25-year-old woman, Jane RWB Doe, who maintained she was abused by Kirkland between the time she was thirteen years old and seventeen years old; a 23-year-old woman, Jane RJH Doe, who maintained she was abused by Kirkland from the time she was sixteen until she was seventeen; an eighteen-year-old woman, Jane RSA Doe, who claimed she was abused by Kirkland between the time she was fifteen and seventeen years old; and an eighteen-year-old woman, Jane RDA Doe, who claimed she was abused by Kirkland when she was fifteen to seventeen years old.

Stewart and Wolf brought suit on behalf of two other former students, alleging one had been victimized by former English teacher Brian Townsley, and the other sexually abused by former theater director Daniel Bachman.

In August 2018, the Redlands Unified School District reached a settlement agreement with

regard to the Kirkland, Townsley and Bachman lawsuits, agreeing to a combined payout of \$15.7 million.

Last month, on November 8, Joel Koonce was arrested at Ontario High School, where he was working as a substitute teacher, on suspicion of having sexually abused or molested four female students while he was working as a drama teacher at Redlands High School between September 2016 and October 2017. Reportedly, Koonce hid drugs and drug paraphernalia on the school campus and had provided drugs to some of his students; pled some of his charges with pornography; engaged in sex acts with students on campus, in a classroom and in the school's auditorium, as well as at his home and in his vehicle after driving to a secluded spot in the San Bernardino National Forest; had sexual encounters with one of his students "dozens of times" and another on "at least 40 occasions" and on one occasion with two of the students at once; and videotaped several of his sexual encounters with his students. Some of those videos have been obtained by law enforcement authorities.

An initial investigation into suspicions about Koonce shortly after he was terminated by the district in November 2017 turned up insufficient evidence to allow investigators with the

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CASE NUMBER CIV-VS1800661 TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner: Luz Elena Aguas filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

Jorge Alberto Bobadilla to: George Aguas THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.

Notice of Hearing: Date: 1/16/19 Time: 8:30 a.m. Department: V15

The address of the court is Superior Court Victorville District, 14455 Civic Drive Ste 100, Victorville, CA 92392

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this order be published in SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY SENTINEL in San Bernardino County California, once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing of the petition.

Dated: Nov., 15, 2018 Lisa Rogan Judge of the Superior Court.

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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF RUTH IRENE ROBERDS WARE, CASE NO. PROPS1801082 To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, and contingent creditors of RUTH IRENE ROBERDS WARE and persons who may be otherwise interested in the will or estate, or both: A petition has been filed by WALTER ROBERDS WARE in the Superior Court of California, County of SAN BERNARDINO, requesting that WALTER ROBERDS WARE be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of RUTH IRENE ROBERDS WARE.

The petition requests the decedent's wills and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court. The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. This will avoid the need to obtain court approval for many actions taken in connection with the estate. However, before taking certain actions, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or have consented to the proposed action. The petition will be granted unless good cause is shown why it should not be.) The petition is set for hearing in Dept. No. S35 at SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO SAN BERNARDINO DISTRICT - PROBATE DIVISION 247 W. 3rd STREET SAN BERNARDINO, CA 92415-0212 on JANUARY 10, 2019 at 08:30 AM

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the deceased, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in subdivision (b) of Section 58 of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery of the notice to you under Section 9052 of the California Probate Code.

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are interested in the estate, you may request special notice of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Section 1250 of the California Probate Code.

Attorney for the Petitioner: JENNIFER M. DANIEL 256360 THE LAW OFFICES OF JENNIFER DANIEL 220 NORDINA STREET, REDLANDS, CA 92373 Telephone: (909) 792-9244

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s/Juan Romero This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 11/7/2018

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Began Transacting Business: N/A

County Clerk, s/BI

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Began Transacting Business: N/A

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s/Roxanne E. Alvarez This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 11/14/2018

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Began Transacting Business: N/A

County Clerk, s/EF

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FBN 20180013256 The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: FAADERANI 3836 S SILVER OAK WAY ONTARIO, CA 91761 (909) 906-3196 MEHDI MOTTAGHIAN 3836 S SILVER OAK WAY ONTARIO, CA 91761

Business is Conducted By: AN INDIVIDUAL

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s/Mehdi Mottaghian This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 11/20/2018

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Began Transacting Business: N/A

County Clerk, s/EF

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO- 20180012732

The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: Innovate Stone and Tile, 2009 E. Bermuda Dunes Ct, Ontario, Ca 91761, Juan C Romero, 2009 E. Bermuda Dunes Ct, Ontario, Ca 91761

Business is Conducted By: An Individual

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s/Juan Romero This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 11/7/2018

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Began Transacting Business: N/A

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO- 20180012473

The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: A New Dawn Construction, 9486 Spruce Rd, Pinon Hills, Ca 92372, Dawn M Vredenburg, 9486 Spruce Rd, Pinon Hills, Ca 92372

Business is Conducted By: AN INDIVIDUAL

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Business is Conducted By: AN Individual

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s/Dawn M. Vredenburg This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 11/2/2018

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Began Transacting Business: N/A

County Clerk, s/RS

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO- 20180013256

The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: Faaderani Co., 3836 S Silver Oak Way, Ontario, Ca 91761, Mehdi Mottaghian, 3836 S Silver Oak Way, Ontario, Ca 91761

Business is Conducted By: An Individual

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s/Mehdi Mottaghian This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 11/20/2018

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Began Transacting Business: N/A

County Clerk, s/ADC

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO- 20180012652

The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: Hargrove Designs, 1461 E Deerfield, Ontario, Ca 91761, Celia Z Hargrove, 1461 E Deerfield, Ontario, Ca 91761 Kevin A Hargrove, 1461 E Deerfield, Ontario, Ca 91761

Business is Conducted By: A Married Couple

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Began Transacting Business: N/A

County Clerk, s/EF

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO- 20180012537

The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: M.O.S. Demolition, 7741 Myles Ct, Fontana, Ca 92336, Miguel O Solis, 7741 Myles Ct, Fontana, Ca 92336

Business is Conducted By: AN INDIVIDUAL

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s/Miguel O Solis This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 11/5/2018

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Began Transacting Business: N/A

County Clerk, s/RS

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO- 20180012813

The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: Amber Nails & Spa, 10368 Central Ave, Montclair, Ca 91763, Xuanthuy Nguyen, 1717 S. Granite Ave, Ontario, Ca 91762

Business is Conducted By: An Individual

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s/Xuanthuy Nguyen This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 11/9/2018

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Began Transacting Business: 8/1/2016

County Clerk, s/TM

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO- 20180012780

The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: Leon Security, 6515 Elm Avenue, San Bernardino, Ca 92404, Edwin Leon, 6515 Elm Avenue, San Bernardino, Ca 92404

Business is Conducted By: An Individual

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s/Edwin Leon This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 11/8/2018

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Began Transacting Business: N/A

County Clerk, s/RS

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO- 20180012980

The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: Squared-Away Construction & Contracting, 13140 10th St, Chino, Ca 91710, Jorge A Orozco, 13140 10th St, Chino, Ca 91710

Business is Conducted By: AN INDIVIDUAL

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s/Jorge A Orozco This statement was filed with the County Clerk of San Bernardino on: 11/14/2018

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Began Transacting Business: N/A

County Clerk, s/SAN

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO- 20180013344

The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: The Plumbers, 9410 Cameron St, Rancho Cucamonga, Ca 91730, Vincent E Harris, 9410 Cameron St, Rancho Cucamonga, Ca 91730

Business is Conducted By: An Individual

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camonga, CA 91730, Vincent E Harris, 9410 Cameron Street, Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91730

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s/Vincent E. Harris

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Began Transacting Business: 6/4/2004

County Clerk, s/EF

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12/14/2018, 12/21/2018, 12/28/2018, 1/4/2019

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

STATEMENT FILE NO-20180013874

The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: The Spot, 4580 Ontario Mills Pkwy, Ontario, CA 91764, Aaron Tong, 9586 Hamilton Street, Alta Loma, CA 91701

Business is Conducted By: An Individual

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s/Aaron Tong

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Began Transacting Business: N/A

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12/14/2018, 12/21/2018, 12/28/2018, 1/4/2019

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

STATEMENT FILE NO-20180013767

The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: Inland Empire Criminal Defense, 337 N. Vineyard Ave, Suite 400, Ontario, CA 91764, Adam Jackson, 950 N. Duesenberg Dr., Apt. 3106, Ontario, CA 91764

Business is Conducted By: An Individual

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s/Adam Jackson

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Began Transacting Business: 9/20/2018

County Clerk, s/TM

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12/14/2018, 12/21/2018, 12/28/2018, 1/4/2019

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

STATEMENT FILE NO-20180012969

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The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: Cachuchas Trucking, 18347 8th St, Bloomington, CA 92316, Martin S Guerrero, 18347 8th St, Bloomington, CA 92316

Business is Conducted By: An Individual

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s/Martin S Guerrero

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Began Transacting Business: 10/2/2013

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SUMMONS – (IN A CIVIL ACTION)

CASE NUMBER (NUMERO DEL CASO) 5:18-cv-01899 – JGB (SHKx)

NOTICE TO DEFENDANT (AVISO DEMANDADO): Eduardo S. Velasco, an Individual

YOU ARE BEING SUED BY PLAINTIFF (LO ESTA DEMANDANDO EL DEMANDANTE): Homevestors of America, Inc.

NOTICE! A lawsuit has been filed against you. Within 21 days after service of this summons on you (not counting the day you received it) - or 60 days if you are the United States or a United States agency, or an officer or employee of the United States described in Fed. R. Civ. P. 12 (a)(2) or (3) - you must serve on the plaintiff an answer to the attached complaint or a motion under Rule 12 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. If you fail to respond, judgment by default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint. You also must file your answer or motion with the court.

There may be a court form that you can use for your response. You can find these court forms and more information at the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/self-help), your county law library, or the courthouse nearest you. If you cannot pay the filing fee, ask the court clerk for a fee waiver form. If you do not file your response on time, you may lose the case by default, and your wages, money, and property may be taken without further warning from the court.

There are other legal requirements. You may want to call an attorney right away. If you do not know an attorney, you may want to call an attorney referral service. If you cannot afford an attorney, you may be eligible for free legal services from a nonprofit legal services program. You can locate these nonprofit groups at the California Legal Services Web site (www.lawhelpcalifornia.org), the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp), or by contacting your local court or county bar association. NOTE: The court has a statutory lien for waived fees and costs on any settlement or arbitration award of \$10,000 or more in a civil case. The court's lien must be paid before the court will dismiss the case. ¡AVISO! Lo han demandado. Si no respon-

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de dentro de 21 días, la corte puede decidir en su contra sin escuchar su versión. Lea la información a continuación

Tiene 21 DIAS DE CAL- ENDARIO después de que le entreguen esta citación y papeles legales para presentar una respuesta por escrito en esta corte y hacer que se entregue una copia al demandante. Una carta o una llamada telefónica no le protegen. Su respuesta por escrito tiene que estar en formato legal correcto si desea que procesen su caso en la corte. Es posible que haya un formulario que usted puede usar para su respuesta. Puede encontrar estos formularios de la corte y mas información en el Centro de Ayuda de las Cortes de California (www.sucorte.ca.gov), en la biblioteca de leyes de su condado o en la corte que le quede mas cerca. Si no puede pagar la cuota de presentación, pida si secretario de la corte que le de un formulario de exención de pago de cuotas. Si no presenta su respuesta a tiempo, puede perder el caso por incumplimiento y la corte le podrá quitar su sueldo, dinero y bienes sin mas advertencia.

Hay otros requisitos legales. Es recomendable que llame a un abogado inmediatamente. Si no conoce a un abogado, puede llamar a un servicio de referencia a abogados. Si no puede pagar a un a un abogado, es posible que cumpla con los requisitos para obtener servicios legales gratis de un programa de servicios legales sin fines de lucro. Puede encontrar estos grupos sin fines de lucro en el sitio web de California Legal Services, (www.lawhelpcalifornia.org), en el Centro de Ayuda de las Cortes de California, (www.sucorte.ca.gov), o poniéndose en contacto con la corte o el colegio de abogados locales. AVISO: Por ley, la corte tiene derecho a reclamar las cuotas y los costos exentos gravamen sobre cualquier recuperación da \$10,000 o mas de valor recibida mediante un acuerdo o una concesión de arbitraje en un caso de derecho civil. Tiene que pagar el gravamen de la corte antes de que la corte pueda desechar el caso.

The name and address of the court is: (El nombre y la dirección de la corte es): United States District Court for the Central District of California

3470 Twelfth Street, Riverside, CA 92501-3801

Judge Jesus Bernal

Courtroom: 1

The name, address and telephone number of plaintiff's attorney, or plaintiff without an attorney, is: (El nombre, la dirección y el número de teléfono del abogado del demandante, o del demandante que no tiene abogado, es):

William K. Enger, Esq. Wilson Elser Moskowitz Edelman & Dicker LLP 555 South Flower Street, Suite 2900

Los Angeles, CA 90071 Telephone: (213) 443-5100 Fax: (213) 443-5101 DATE (Fecha): Sept. 7, 2018

Clerk (Secretario), by Luz Hernandez, Deputy (Adjunto) Published in San Bernardino County Sentinel on: 12/14/18, 12/21/18, 12/28/18, 1/4/19

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF JASON EDWARD MIDDLETON

Case No. PROPS1801134 To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of JASON EDWARD MIDDLETON A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed

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by Ellen W. Middleton in the Superior Court of California, County of SAN BERNARDINO.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that Ellen W. Middleton be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A HEARING on the petition will be held on January 23, 2019 at 8:30AM in Dept. No. S36 located at 247 W. Third St., San Bernardino, CA 92415.

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code.

Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

Attorney for petitioner: HOWARD R HAWKINS ESQ SBN 100875 LAW OFFICES OF HOWARD R HAWKINS 2146 BONITA AVE LA VERNE CA 91750 CN955714 MIDDLETON Dec 14,21,28, 2018

FBN20180012635 The following person is doing business as: EVERGREENPARTNERS 140 E. PIONEER AVE. #34 REDLANDS, CA 92374; CHARLES D FREEMAN 140 E. PIONEER AVE. #34 REDLANDS, CA 92374

This business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: 10/01/1994

By signing, I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime (B&P Code 179130. I am also aware that all information on this statement becomes Public Record upon filing.

s/ CHARLES D. FREEMAN, OWNER

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FBN 20180012655

The following person is doing business as: NABHA TRUCKING 14520 VILLAGE DR APT 1104 FONTANA, CA 92337; PAVITTAR SINGH 14520 DR APT 1104 FONTANA, CA 92337

This business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A

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s/PAVITTAR SINGH

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The following person is doing business as: GIFT BY ANGEL 4711 E AIRPORT DRIVE ONTARIO, CA 91761; MICHAEL A CURCIO 4711 E AIRPORT DRIVE ONTARIO, CA 91761

This business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: 11/06/2018

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s/MICHAEL A. CURCIO

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The following person is doing business as: PRODAN ENTERPRISE 793 E HOLT AVE POMONA, CA 91767; EUGENIA IBANEZ 5124 WASHINGTON AVE CHINO, CA 91710

This business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL

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s/ EUGENIA IBANEZ, OWNER

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The following person is doing business as: RECOVERY TRADING 11813 AURORA CT FONTANA, CA 92337; CARLOS HERRERA 11813 AURORA CT FONTANA, CA 92337

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This business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL

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s/ CARLOS HERRERA, OWNER

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The following person is doing business as: ANGEL'S OF ARTS; ANGELES DE ARTES 17200 ELAINE AVE FONTANA, CA 92336; LATINOS LIVES MATTER INC 17200 ELAINE AVE FONTANA, CA 92336

This business is conducted by: A CORPORATION

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: 11/1/2018

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s/ YESENIA LUCIO, PRESIDENT

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The following person is doing business as: RELIABLE TRUCKING CO. 18102 BONNIE LANE FONTANA, CA 92335; RICARDO LOPEZ 18102 BONNIE LANE FONTANA, CA 92335

This business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A

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s/RICARDO LOPEZ, OWNER

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The following person is doing business as: CALI- FRESH DRY CLEANERS 16049 BASELINE AVE A-5 FONTANA, CA 92336; JOSEPH A BAHBAH 4279 QUEENS RD NORO, CA 92860; SALWA J BAHBAH 4279 QUEENS RD NORO, CA 92860

This business is conducted by: A MARRIED COUPLE

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: 1/07/2008

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s/ JOSEPH A BAHBAH

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The following person is doing business as: MY PARENT CARE INC 22965 CARDINAL ST GRAND TARRANCE, CA 92313; MY PARENT CARE INC 22965 CARDINAL ST GRAND TARRANCE, CA 92313









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The following person is doing business as: LONE PINE APARTMENTS 1400 MOHAVE DR COLTON, CA 92324; GLORIA M BUCKWALTER 1400 MOHAVE DR COLTON, CA 92324

This business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: 04/05/2013

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s/ GLORIA M. BUCKWALTER, OWNER

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The following person is doing business as: GREGG'S AUTOMOTIVE 42060 GARSTIN DR BIG BEAR LAKE, CA 92315; MAILING ADDRESS P.O BOX 4229 BIG BEAR LAKE, CA 92315; DAVID D KNIGHT 42060 GARSTIN DR BIG BEAR LAKE, CA 92315; JAIME J KNIGHT 42060 GARSTIN DR BIG BEAR LAKE, CA 92315

This business is conducted by: A MARRIED COUPLE

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A

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s/ DAVID D. KNIGHT, HUSBAND

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The following person is doing business as: CUSTOM INSANITY 6239 HAMILTON CT CHINO, CA 91710; CHRISTOPHER M MCGINNIS 6239 HAMILTON CT CHINO, CA 91710

This business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL

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s/ CHRISTOPHER M MCGINNIS, OWNER

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The following person is doing business as: TAQUERIA LA CADENA 1497 N MT VERNON AVE COLTON, CA 92324; MEXTASTE TRADE GROUP, INC. 1497 N MOUNT VERNON AVE COLTON, CA 92324

This business is conducted by: A CORPORATION

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s/ CESAR ABEL SALAZAR VERA, C.E.O

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The following person is doing business as: EMBRACE 222 N MOUNTAIN AVE STE 204 UPLAND, CA 91786; DANA M PEDRO 222 N MOUNTAIN AVE STE 204 UPLAND, CA 91786

This business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL

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s/ DANA M. PEDRO, OWNER

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The following person is doing business as: RAQUEL'S PET ACCESSORIES 13987 HILLCREST DR FONTANA, CA 92337; RAQUEL E SALAZAR 13987 HILLCREST DR FONTANA, CA 92337; ADRIAN RODRIGUEZ-CHAVEZ 13987 HILLCREST DR FONTANA, CA 92337

This business is conducted by: A GENERAL PARTNERSHIP

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s/ RAQUEL E SALAZAR, GENERAL PARTNER

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The following person is doing business as: LA MICHOCACANA ICE CREAM DELICIOUS 57600 TWENTY NINE PALMS HWY YUCCA VALLEY, CA 92282; ANTONIO VALDEZ MENDOZA 57600 TWENTY NINE PALMS HWY YUCCA VALLEY, CA 92282

This business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL

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s/ ANTONIO VALDEZ MENDOZA, OWNER

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The following person is doing business as: PEDEGO UPLAND 310 NORTH MOUNTAIN AVE UPLAND, CA 91786; MAILING ADDRESS 1728 CREBS WAY UPLAND, CA 91784; SKSJ ENTERPRISES, INC. 1728 CREBS WAY UPLAND, CA 91784

This business is conducted by: A CORPORATION

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s/ SUSAN L. FRAIZE, CEO

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The following person is doing business as: BEAUTY BOSS 10673 TUMBLEWEED DR BLOOMINGTON, CA 92316; WENDY LUJANO 10673 TUMBLEWEED DR BLOOMINGTON, CA 92316

This business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL

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s/ WENDY LUJANO, OWNER

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The following person is doing business as: EMPIRE FINANCIAL 8010 HAVEN AVE SUITE H RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91730; HAVEN HOME LOANS INC 15870 CURTIS AVE FONTANA, CA 92336

This business is conducted by: A CORPORATION

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: 7/23/2009

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s/ RUBEN GUY MENDEZ, TREASURER

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The following person is doing business as: 252 AUTO 680 S. E ST SUITE B86 SAN BERNARDINO, CA 92408; ADRIENNE R BLEVINS 680 S. E ST SUITE B86 SAN BERNARDINO, CA 92408

This business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL

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s/ ADRIENNE R. BLEVINS, OWNER

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The following person is do-

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ing business as: DPG FINANCIAL SOLUTIONS 2507 N PALM AVE RIALTO, CA 92377; LOURDE ANGELO Z MOSCA 2507 N PALM AVE RIALTO, CA 92377; EARVIN PAOLO Z MOSCA 2507 N PALM AVE RIALTO, CA 92377; FLO-RANTE R MOSCA 2507 N PALM AVE RIALTO, CA 92377

This business is conducted by: COPARTNERS

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: 7/01/2012

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s/ FLORANTE MOSCA, COPARTNER

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The following person is doing business as: WASET COMMERCIAL CLEANING SERVICES 7465 MALVEN AVENUE RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91730; SETH G DAVIS 7465 MALVEN AVENUE RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91730

This business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL

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s/ SETH DAVIS

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The following person is doing business as: TAXSOLUTION & MAS 16616 FOOTHILL BLVD STE B FONTANA, CA 92335; MAILING ADDRESS 338 N ASPEN AVE RIALTO, CA 92376; SYLVIA HERNANDEZ 338 N ASPEN AVE RIALTO, CA 92376

This business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL

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s/ SYLVIA HERNANDEZ

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**The Fruit Of Persistence: When You Think You Can't Make It from front page**

and returned home. Later in 1960 I received an invitation to attend DeVry Technical Institute in Chicago. Because my academic record had been poor and tests difficult for me to take, I was reluctant. With encouragement from my father, I decided to attend. If nothing else, it would be an experience to be in Chicago. The school found me a place to stay and a part time job. But the work only paid for tuition at DeVry. Therefore, after a while I ran out of money for food and resorted to eating only peanuts. After I had gotten sick a number of times, a student friend suggested I see a doctor. He told me that I would have to start eating better or he would have to operate. I called home and my parents sent me enough money to get food for a short time, but

they were limited on the amount they could send. I pressed the school for another job that paid more, and they found one for me.  
All my classmates and my roommate ridiculed me about having to stay up all night trying to understand the material. They would tell me "you will never make it," but I was determined to get through. I had a C average, except for the class on transformer theory, which I understood.  
After 15 months of study, I graduated. I came home to Fontana and started looking for a job. I heard that North American Aviation in Palmdale was hiring. They were looking for electronic technicians for the XB-70, so I applied. I was required to take a three-hour electronics test. I had no confidence whatsoever. I just didn't

think I knew anything. To my surprise, I passed. I then realized that with hard work and determination, I could accomplish anything.  
After one year of working on aircraft, I decided to attend college. For enrollment in a junior college I had to take an SAT test. Well, the "dumbbell from Fontana" scored embarrassingly low. I did get a high score in math. So, the college requested that I take three remedial classes. I studied hard and got acceptable grades.  
The school also required I take aptitude tests once a week. At the end of the quarter, a psychologist reviewed my tests scores. They indicated I had a lot of talent in everything except education. But she did say my math scores were high.

About that time North American Aviation was purchased by Rockwell International and there was a rumor that we would be moved to Los Angeles. I decided to terminate, move back home to Fontana and looked for work elsewhere.  
During my searches for employment I found an opening at Lockheed Aircraft Service Company in Ontario. I was hired as an electronic tech working on production aircraft crash recorders. It wasn't long before I realized that this was easy work and something that I understood. I could fix, with ease, some of the most complex systems. After becoming a test engineer, I spent a year in Kansas City working with TWA. When we completed the contract, I came home. This was when I decided to go to college.

I enrolled at Chaffey College and took all the classes I could. There my counselor provided me with some valuable advice. He informed me that if I took the right classes and acquired an associate of arts degree with a state of California stamp of approval, this would eliminate additional classes I would have needed to graduate from a four-year college. Also, he advised me that if I could concentrate on the SAT test and achieve a high score, there could be some scholarships in it for me. I did not know that high schools offer or can offer preliminary practice tests, called a PS, to increase a student's score. Upon completion of all the course work at Chaffey, I applied to Cal Poly, Pomona. My major was

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Redlands Police Department to provide a prosecutable case to the district attorney's office. In the early summer of this year, there was a report that Koonce was yet in contact with at least one of his former students. An inquiry into that report dead-ended. In October, however, one of his victims came forward and investigators were able to obtain sufficient information to prompt further statements from other alleged victims. It was learned that Koonce was again teaching, in this instance at Ontario High, as no report relating to the circumstance under which he left Redlands Unified showed up in the data base kept for credentialed teachers. Officially, Koonce's departure from Redlands Unified was based on teaching performance issues unrelated to any sexual misconduct.

When Koonce's arrest was effected on November 8, 2018 it was on the basis of three counts of oral copulation with a person under the age of 18 outlined in the arrest warrant along with three counts of unlawful sexual intercourse, two counts of child molesting, three counts of sexual penetration by a foreign object, two counts of distributing or showing pornography to a minor, one count of sodomy of a person under the age of 18 and one count of sexual exploitation of a child.

He remains jailed.

The law firm of Manly, Stewart & Finaldi took up the cause of the four students exploited by Koonce. Last Friday, December 7, it was announced that the Redlands Unified School District had come to terms with the four young women, agreeing to pay \$8.5 million to them to head off any legal claims or lawsuits arising out of their experience.

That latest payout

brings to \$30.705 million the total settlement amount paid in the last five years to 15 students sexually abused by teachers within the Redlands Unified School District.

Accompanying those settlements are allegations that the pattern of sexual abuse in the Redlands Unified School District over the last decade lies, in some measure, at the feet of Mary Ashley and Mike Ramos.

Ramos is intrinsically linked with the Redlands Unified School District and the Redlands community. A Redlands High School graduate, he was a member of the Redlands Unified School Board in the seven years prior to his 2002 election as district attorney. Moreover, his wife, Gretchen, has long been employed with the district as the executive secretary to the superintendent. Reflexively, Mike Ramos acted at every level and every stage of the scandal that beset the district to protect it as an institution, to protect the district's personnel and its reputation, as well as to limit the district's financial exposure and liability. This was evident in the manner in which the district attorney's office reacted to the Megan Kelly matter. Over the two-year period that elapsed from the time the unnamed 2009 Redlands High School graduate filed suit against Kelly and the district and that case settled, the district attorney's office took no direct action and did nothing to facilitate the Redlands Police Department's investigation of the attendant issues. This had the practical effect of not generating anything to contradict the district's contention that neither it nor Kelly had done anything wrong. The district attorney's office then participated in and signed off on the settlement of the civil suit brought by the former student against Kelly and the district, allowing the matter to expire quietly and with as little negative publicity for the district as possible.

When the Whitehurst

scandal broke, even amidst the nationwide furor it generated, the district attorney's office soft-pedaled the case. Ultimately, Whitehurst was given a one-year sentence, for which she served six months, after acknowledging, against the backdrop of indications that she had been sexually intimate with a dozen students or more in the five years she was teaching, to having sex with three of her students. Similarly, the district attorney's office chose not to delve any more deeply into Kirkland's case than it needed to in order to dispose of the matter, and rushed toward concluding the case not with a trial but with a plea bargain before all of the evidence investigators accumulated had been fully examined and analyzed for its probative value.

The early lead investigator on the case, Detective Kelli Bishop, had accumulated a considerable wealth of material to indicate that Kirkland's claims that much of what was alleged against him was simply instances of him having engaged in benign familiarities with several of his female students were out-and-out lies. Bishop was also able to establish that Kirkland's sexually-laced interaction with his students dated back at least eight years prior to the inappropriate texts he had sent in 2012, including sexual contact with students when he was the vice principal at Clement Middle School in Redlands.

Redlands Police investigators using warrants had seized several of Kirkland's personal effects and possessions. Among those was his cell phone. The Redlands Police detectives forwarded the cell phone to the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department Scientific and Technical Analysis Division. An analysis of the phone turned up even more damning material, including nude photos of himself and pornographic photos of one of his known victims. Yet before that evidence had been fully assessed

and reported upon, Ramos's office negotiated a guilty plea with Sean O'Connor, Kirkland's attorney, which netted him a two-year sentence. This resulted in Kirkland's release after having served 13 months.

In the latter stages of the police department's investigation of what came to be recognized as a pattern of sexual abuse within Redlands' high schools, Redlands Police Department detectives undertook to coordinate their efforts with the district attorney's office in anticipation of the charges those detectives believed were likely to be filed. This extended to an examination of the so-called "code of silence" observed by district officials that was intended to avoid subjecting the known or suspected perpetrators to anything other than covert discipline and prevent the district from experiencing adverse publicity. This was occurring in the context of the district attorney's office weighing whether certain district higher-ups - including former Superintendent Lori Rhodes. Redlands High School Principal Christina Rivera, Redlands High School Vice Principal Michael Muñoz and Former Citrus Valley Principal/later Assistant Superintendent Bernie Cavanagh - were in criminal violation of the reporting mandates relating to the sexual abuse of minors. Information is that Assistant District Attorney Mary Ashley told the police department's investigators that they should not interview the parents of the student victims. At least some of the police department investigators saw that as an effort to derail a potential case against the district's administrators.

For those in the Redlands Police Department working on the various sexual abuse cases involving students at Redlands' high schools, including detectives Kelli Bishop and Leslie Martinez as well as the senior officer overseeing the investigation, Travis Martinez, some of the prosecutorial decisions

by the deputy district attorney handling the case, Jeanetta Ringhofer, were troubling. Questions emerged as to whether Ringhofer was being micromanaged by Assistant District Attorney Ashley. According to the Redlands Police Department, the decision not to use all of the material and evidence accumulated in its investigation in the course of the various prosecutions was contrary to the suggestions contained in the department's reports submitted to prosecutors, reflecting a call made at the level of the district attorney's office. In at least some of those cases, according to the officers, given the nature of the material and the evidence, that decision was inexplicable.

From a perspective beyond just that of the law enforcement officers investigating the various cases, there is a possible explanation of that decision.

The Redlands Unified School District is insured by the Schools Association For Excess Risk, a liability-sharing consortium of school districts which will pay legal settlements of up to \$25 million per case growing out of findings, verdicts or negotiated concessions of negligence by one of its member school districts. Under the bylaws of the Schools Association For Excess Risk, coverage is provided only in instances of negligence. If a district's liability arises out of criminal activity on the part of the district or one or more of its employees, the coverage is withdrawn. That may partially explain why the district attorney's office, led by Ramos, who is so sensitive to issues impacting the Redlands Unified School District with which he is so variously connected and identified, was reluctant and then ultimately unwilling to prosecute any district officials with regard to the sexual abuse of district students by teachers.

Another consideration for Mike Ramos was that his wife, Gretchen, functioned within the district as the executive

secretary to the superintendent. Her status and place within the district hierarchy would suggest that she was in the loop when the several decisions with regard to how all of the perpetrators of student sexual abuse - Kelly, Whitehurst, Kirkland, Townsley, Bachman and Koonce - were made. Whether Gretchen Ramos, like some of the other senior district officials such as the superintendent, principals and assistant principals categorized as educators could be classified as a mandated reporter is a legal question that is subject to debate. Under one interpretation of the law, if she in fact knew about the abuse, she was a mandated reporter. Under a different interpretation, she perhaps was not. Nevertheless, had the district attorney's office elected to prosecute the district's and high schools' administrators for failure to report the abuse they had knowledge or reasonable suspicion of, Gretchen Ramos was likely to have been dragged into the mix.

Earlier this year, when Mike Ramos was queried about his office's decision not to charge any district officials with failure to report the abuse or having attempted to cover it up, he insisted there had been a "very thorough" analysis of the case by his senior staff, particularly those involved in both prosecuting and overseeing the prosecution of crimes against children, which in effect meant Ashley working with a handful of others. Ramos attributed the decision not to prosecute anyone at the district beyond the teachers who had personally engaged in the abuse to Ashley.

The *Sentinel* made a direct inquiry of Ashley. She declined to respond as to whether she had come to a conclusion with regard to the breadth and depth of the prosecutions in the Redlands School District sexual abuse scandal independently or whether she acceded to a request by Mike Ramos

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lished hospitals in San Bernardino County dedicated to caring for local residents. "At the county level I see that there is a huge threat happening to us," said Rigsby. "We are being poached by San Diego County, by Orange County and by Los Angeles County. There are a lot of specialty services that are being offered by those facilities in our county and it's getting to the place where we are going to lose our specialty services in the Inland Empire if we don't do something to ban together and make sure that we use our services and not export them to other counties. It could get to the place where the only thing left in the Inland Empire is primary care and then you have to go to another county to get specialty care. We need to figure out a way to deal with this external invasion. The health care industry has certain lines of business that are highly profitable and many lines of business that are loss leaders. If all you get is a loss leader as a hospital you can't survive. You have to get some of the profitable business as well. When these external forces come in and they tend to cherry pick the ones that pay the best it results in a gutting of the services and then you can't provide hospital services at all if you don't get the good, more high-paying ones. All of that is because of distortions in the healthcare marketplace imposed by government. Government prices healthcare and there's no free market in terms of the prices. It tends to be Medicare setting the prices for everybody and everyone else just follows along. That system systematically underpays for medical care and it systematically overpays for surgical care. If we don't protect our provision of surgical care, we'll be in trouble."

Rigsby said, "There are a lot of disputes be-

tween moneyed interests and community tastes, community preferences. When that comes up, I like to imagine myself in the position of both of the people in that argument and try to make a judicious decision, but always be willing to do what is right. There are certain things that are required of us as government officials, to allow some progress to happen even if it might upset a few people. I've always been a little suspicious of nimbyism [i.e., resistance to having development next to one's home or property] because if somebody says 'I like that. I just don't want it in my backyard,' to me I tend to discount that because if you think it's a good thing, then maybe your backyard is the best place for it. It's a difficult situation. As far as development versus keeping things open, I'm a very strong believer in land ownership rights, but I also believe that a community has to put up with whatever you build, and you need to make something the community would be proud of, because they're stuck with it for 150 years after you build it."

Sometimes the best thing for government to do is not what the public wants done, said Rigsby. "When you look at what I do as a primary care physician in Loma Linda, I take people's desires and I take their symptoms and I combine them into a plan of action that meets their needs, which is sometimes other than what they desired," Rigsby said. "An interesting thing that physicians do all the time is talking people out of things that they want to do. Sometimes people come to me and they say 'I want to do this,' and I spend more time talking them out of things that they don't need that they think they do. There's a parallel in government. There's an awful lot of what goes on in government that if people got what they wanted it would degrade the body politic. So there's a place for someone who has the ability to say, 'Here's the situation. Let's analyze

it. Let's do the tests that are necessary. Let's measure. Let's assess. Let's come up with a corrective plan and let's move forward. And there are also times when, as physicians, where prolonging life is no longer the goal. There are some times when someone has very painful cancer, when the goal becomes a good death. There is a parallel for that in government, as well. There's a lot of programs that have eternal life that should not, that become deleterious to the body politic and need to be put on hospice and eliminated."

Rigsby said government of the many often misses or fails to properly appreciate or adopt the best plan of action.

"One of the things that I have discovered in not-for-profit boards and in large organizations is that there is a tendency for large organizations to suppress genius in favor of consensus," he said. "I think that is the biggest problem in any group decision-making process. The most votes tend to go to the most generic answers. The same thing happens in decision-making processes that are dominated by staff or by groups of people that vote up something and vote down something else. Sometimes a genius idea is thought of only by one person, and how do you get that to bubble to the top? There are solutions that are a lot more interesting than what the average person can come up with, and you've got to look for that."

Sean Flynn, an economics professor at Scripps College in Claremont and a resident of Redlands, resurfaced elements of his campaign for Congress this year against incumbent 31st District Congressman Pete Aguilar. He cited "health care pricing. There's so much that can be done, even at the local level, that would be innovative. There's no reason we couldn't for instance have price tags for all our local providers so that there can be comparison shopping, whether it is the county or private individuals."

As an economist, Flynn said he was accustomed to "look at the world in terms of trade-offs. You can't have everything you want and you have to make tough decisions about allocating resources. It is my assumption that in a county this big there's got to be some places that are both environmentally stable where you can put large-scale utility solar and in which the local community would not mind or would be very much in favor. It seems to me the political sweet spot here, if you want to think in terms of politics, is locating those areas where there could be enthusiastic support from local residents while meeting every state, federal and even our own, which can be higher, standards for environmental protection. We are of course blessed with unbelievably sunny weather in this part of the world. and solar power energy is the lowest cost energy generation. We're a natural fit for generating electricity and not just using it here but perhaps exporting it to other states and exporting it throughout California. There is a great potential economic boon here but I do think it needs to be weighed against the environmental concerns and especially the needs of local residents."

Dawn Rowe, currently a field representative for Congressman Paul Cook and a former Yucca Valley councilwoman, said she was "excited to hopefully see your planning commission's recommendation of the renewable energy element [of the county's general plan] through to fruition and all the work that's gone on on that. I think for those of us in the High Desert that are concerned about the placement of renewables, that's important and that would certainly be a top priority." She then referenced "the unfortunate federal aspect of it; 80 percent of our land in this county is federal. How do we continue to work with the federal government, whether it is the pass through of funding or payment-in-lieu-of-

taxes to ensure that the county has the revenue to offset the loss of some of the property taxes and the things that federal government land doesn't afford us to have? I think the renewables would be the first thing we could pick up."

Julie Hackbarth McIntyre, the mayor of Barstow and the operator of what has historically proven to be the most successful Del Taco fast food restaurant in the world, pointed out that through redistricting, Barstow, which was formerly part of the First District that covered almost the entirety of the Mojave District, now falls under the boundary of the Third District. This she said has left her part of "the Third District isolated from the First District. Sometimes our voices need to be louder," she said. She said elected and high ranking officials need to "take the vision for the county to a higher level."

Hackbarth-McIntyre said there should be a concentration on improving infrastructure and the water supply in the outlying areas of the Third District. She said her advice would be for officials to seek out the residents there and "sit down with them. I would look at what's already in place [in terms of water systems and infrastructure], how we can build on that to deliver some of the projects that are already in the chute that are out in the Third District and bring that forward." She said, "I think reclaiming water – purple pipe – is something that as a whole in San Bernardino County – I think in California – we're going to have to figure out how to make that infrastructure work."

Bill Jahn, who was a member of the Chino City Council from 1982 to 1986 and has been a member of the Big Bear City Council since 2004, lamented the state's dissolution of redevelopment agencies. He acknowledged that there had been abuses of redevelopment authority but opined that those issues should have been re-

dressed in some fashion other than the wholesale shuttering of the programs. He said that responsibly used, redevelopment had been a tool to improve communities. Its absence, he said, has contributed to California's housing crisis. He said the county needs to find some workable replacement for redevelopment authority and perhaps forge a program with the state to obtain funding for more affordable housing. Jahn said the Third District should coordinate with the First District to improve the desert region's transportation system.

Tobin Brinker, a junior high school teacher who was formerly a member of the San Bernardino City Council, was one of the few of those applying for the supervisorial position who maintained the candidate to serve out the last two years of Ramos's term on the board should not use the appointment to perpetuate staying in office and use it for political advantage.

"I believe very strongly that the board today should select somebody who is a placeholder," Brinker said. "I believe the voters of the 3rd District deserve that. They deserve a fair playing field in 2020 and if you decide today to choose someone who is planning to run, you're giving that person a big leg up because they have the opportunity to say, 'I'm the incumbent.' They can go out and make all the acquaintances you need to make. They can raise the money. There's a lot of things you can do when you're in that seat. While I am certainly a person who has interest in a future political position, I don't see myself doing this beyond the two years. I would only serve for two years."

In terms of the development of the Third District, Brinker said, the county should be both selective and farsighted in determining where development is to occur. "We should be looking at the areas where we want to see

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## San Bernardino County Coroner Reports

Coroner's Report #701808204 On Thursday, 11/29/2018, at 5:46 pm, officers with the San Bernardino Police Department responded to the intersection of Cajon Blvd. and Institution Road in San Bernardino, for a bicyclist struck by a vehicle. The bicyclist, 46-year-old Jesus Noriega-Carrajo of San Bernardino, was pronounced deceased at the scene at 5:54 pm. The San Bernardino Police Department is investigating the incident. [11302018 0550 SC]

Coroner's Report #701808090 On Sunday, 11/25/2018, at 10:47AM, officers with Colton Police Department and Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railway responded to a pedestrian struck by a train, in the area of Tropica Rancho Road and La Cadena Drive, in Colton. Upon their arrival, Matthew Goodale, a 32-year-old resident of Colton, had sustained injuries consistent with being struck by a train. He was pronounced dead at the scene. The Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railway and Colton Police Department are investigating the incident. [11252018 1830 GB]

Coroner's Reports #701808072/#701808073 On Saturday, 11/24/2018, at 6:35 PM, a two-vehicle collision was reported at southbound US-395, .85 miles north of Hoffman Road in Randsburg. The rider of an off-road Kawasaki motorcycle was travelling southbound with a group of riders and veered into the northbound lane. The driver of a Suzuki Sidekick struck the motorcycle head-on. Emergency personnel responded to the scene and pronounced the motorcycle rider and the driver of the Suzuki dead. The names are being withheld pending identification. CHP is investigating the collision.[11252018 0540 SC]

Coroner's Report #701808007 On Thursday 11/22/18, at 9:51 am, the San Bernardino Police Department received a 911 call regarding a single vehicle traffic collision that occurred on West Rialto Avenue near Arrow Route in San Bernardino. Rebecca Gallegos, a 48 year-old resident of Rialto, was travelling eastbound on Rialto Avenue when she lost control of her vehicle for unknown reasons. Her vehicle veered off the roadway, struck a block wall, and then overturned. Paramedics responded and pronounced Gallegos dead at 10:03 am. The San Bernardino Police Department is investigating the circumstances of the accident. [11242018 2310 SC]

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business administration with an emphasis in finance. After a time, I began to excel in some of my classes.

While at Cal Poly, I was asked to represent the business student body. This involved meeting with faculty to discuss curriculum adjustments and students' activities. It was during that time that I was asked to represent Cal Ploy in business games played against other universities. I performed very well in these games. To complete the degree program, I had to write a senior project. I worked very hard on the

questionnaire portion and was able to achieve a 40 percent response. The finance department professors could hardly believe I was able to get such a response, when normally questionnaires only get 20 percent and that would have been considered adequate. They selected my project for display for other students to see and they also awarded me a one-time stipend or dollar amount. Also, I submitted this project to the business department for completion of another degree in office management. During my final year, I decided to attend graduate school at Cal Poly. To be admitted, a student needs to take the GMAT test. I took

the test and failed it. The dean of my department suggested that if I applied to a different discipline, I would have to take the GRE test, which is much easier, instead of the GMAT. Once admitted I could change majors and transfer to a business program. This testing ability seemed to be the story of my life.

I was very disappointed in the results of the test and my rejection by Cal Poly. But this built my determination to push on and find another college. I applied at Cal State San Bernardino, which admitted me because of my high grades, on a temporary basis. The university hired me as student assistant for the graduate program,

which helped with tuition. As usual, I worked very hard and studied late into the night. During my final year I took a class entitled finance and accounting, which I really liked. As a final exam in that course, we were given a case study on a company merger. We could work in study groups, and I thought, since there were two certified public accountants in the class, this would be easy. I tried to get involved with the group, but did not like the direction in which they were going. So, I went off on my own and tried to answer the questions. When I finished, I submitted my paper. Three or four days later, imagine my surprise

when a friend called to tell me my paper was in the library on display for other students to see. He also said that I got an A+, the highest grade in the class. Can you believe that someone who barely made it through Fontana High School and an electronics school and who failed the SAT and the GMAT tests, would do so well?

The point here is that if you believe in yourself and work real hard, at anything, nothing but good things will come from your efforts. If I only would have realized that maybe because of my understanding of street language and not proper English, tests were difficult for me to take. So, I think, it is essential that

in high school one learn sentence structure, diction and what comprises a sentence. This seems easy, but when you get into diagramming a sentence and identifying the parts of speech, diction, etc., it can be difficult.

Why this concentration? All tests are put together by the academics and the words chosen for the questions are selected for a reason. For any multiple-choice question, the way the question is put together and the answer choices provided will almost always tell you which two choices are the likeliest correct responses or sometimes the one that is the right answer.



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development, that we positively assert 'This is where it should happen' and we create some kind of streamlined process for development to happen in those areas, and then conversely create conservation focus areas where we say 'These are areas where we don't want to see development.' There are areas that should be protected and maybe have a higher threshold for businesses that want to go into those areas. By doing that in advance we create clarity for the community and the business interests that are looking at

these areas."

Bill Emmerson, a dentist by profession who after 26 years in practice successfully ran for the California Assembly, served five years there and then successfully vied for the California Senate, resigning from that office after three years and went on to become a lobbyist, said a rail system in the High Desert is needed. He said the completion of the Redlands passenger rail system should be expedited as well.

He said San Bernardino County in gen-

eral and the Third District in particular should work toward creating investment, industry and employment in the area of medical science and technology. "One of the things we can place more attention on is the high tech and the bio-tech field," he said. "We have a number of educational institutions here in this region that can provide the kind of background and support for the bio-tech industries, and I think that is an important thing that would benefit this county."

-Mark Gutglueck

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was run by a community of people who believed

in me and believed that I truly want the best for Upland."

-Mark Gutglueck

### Did DA's Mistress Shield His Wife?

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to defuse the situation short of prosecutions of district officials, in particular ensuring that Ramos's wife would not be charged criminally.

Ashley did not dispute reports that she gave instruction to the effect that detectives with the Redlands Police Department should not interview the parents of student victims of sexual assault/abuse at the hands of their teachers.

Ashley would not allow herself to be drawn into a discussion of whether instructing the detectives to not interview parents of the vic-

tims might or might not be considered an effort to interfere with the investigation that amounted to obstruction of justice. Ashley refused to state whether she was acting at the behest of Mike Ramos when she told the police investigators to not interview the parents of the Redlands School District sexual abuse/assault victims. Nor was Ashley willing to discuss whether her personal relationship with Mike Ramos swayed her action and her decision with regard to the cases. She likewise was unwilling to publicly reflect on whether her feelings toward Mike Ramos and loyalty to him overwhelmed her and created a circumstance whereby her previously demon-

strated dedication to the principle of protecting the defenseless against abuse and sexual exploitation which had earlier characterized her work as a prosecutor was allowed to lapse.

Mike Ramos was defeated in his bid for reelection as district attorney in June and is scheduled to leave office the first week of 2019. Reliable sources have told the *Sentinel* that District Attorney-elect Jason Anderson intends to remove Ashley from her position as assistant district attorney immediately upon assuming his elected post and would not be amenable to continuing to employ her as a prosecutor in the office in any capacity.

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portion of the meeting, the board moved into the public interview/presentation phase of the process such that over the course of the remaining hours of the morning and into the afternoon, four hours and 24 minutes were devoted to taking statements from the 13 candidates, who also responded to questions put to them by the board. At the conclusion of that hearing, there was no indication the board in any way intended to heed Musser-Lopez's claim that the process was in violation of the Ralph M. Brown Act, which is California's open public meeting law, which requires that virtually all discussion and votes of an elected board be conducted in public, with limited exceptions relating to pending or ongoing litigation, employee discipline or termination, pending real estate transactions or contract negotiations.

After a brief discussion, the four board members, at the five hour and 27 minute point of the meeting, were provided ballots by Laura Welch, the clerk of the board. At the 5 hour and 29 minute point the ballots were collected and then tallied by Welch and one of her assistants. Welch announced that Lovingood had endorsed Sean Flynn, William Jahn, Janice

Leja, Rhodes Rigsby and Dawn Rowe; Rutherford had voted for William Emmerson, Flynn, Jahn, Rigsby, and Rowe; Hagman had written down Emmerson, Flynn, Chris Mann, Rigsby and Rowe; and Gonzales had cast her ballots for Jim Bagley, Ron Daily, Julie Hackbarth-McIntyre, William Jahn and Rowe. The top five vote-getters were thus Dawn Rowe with four votes; Rigsby, Flynn and Jahn with three voters and Emmerson with two. They were deemed to be the finalists. The board scheduled another hearing for yesterday morning, Thursday December 13, at which point it was possible a selection was to be made.

In the intervening time, Musser-Lopez, dashed off a letter to the board of supervisors dated December 11 which she designated as a "Complaint of Violation of the Ralph M. Brown Act by the San Bernardino County Board of Supervisors." In that missive she stated, "On December 10-11, 2018, you the members of the County Board of Supervisors in concert and individually violated the Ralph M. Brown Act specifically CA Gov. Code, § 54953.5 when you did cast preliminary votes secretly, without a process agreed upon by the public and without publicly disclosing the votes of the individual supervisors to the public. The language of the law is very clear: "All votes, except for those cast in permissible closed ses-

sion, must be cast in public. No secret ballots, whether preliminary or final, are permitted." Elsewhere in the letter, Musser-Lopez makes clear that she was referencing the board's vote to designate the 13 semifinalists.

"The fix was in, the public was left out of the selection process, some applicants were not invited to address the board and were not allowed equal time, and due to the illegal polling, board members knew which applicants were 'winning' prior to their vote," Musser-Lopez wrote. "The consequence of a board member knowing in advance which applicants were preferred by the other members had the potential of wrongfully influencing their vote without public knowledge or intervention. The Act specifically prohibits any use of direct communication, personal intermediaries or tech-

nological devices that is employed by a majority of the members of the legislative body to develop a collective concurrence as to action to be taken. (§ 54952.2(b).) On December 10, the public was denied the right to address the board of supervisors prior to votes being cast; they were also denied the right to comment concerning the method or process of eliminating some applicants. The public was not allowed to comment prior to secret ballots being cast by the members of the board to the clerk of the board of supervisors, which voting constitutes an illegal serial meeting. While the public was allowed a short opportunity for comment on December 11, 2018 at a noticed meeting, after a vote was taken reducing the thirteen unlawful candidates to five candidates, the public was notified that a 'continued' meeting would be held at which the pub-

lic would not be able to comment. The Brown Act states that matters properly placed on the agenda for the original meeting may be considered at the subsequent meeting (§ 54954.2(b) (3), however the matter was not properly placed on the agenda for the December 11, 2018 meeting because of 1) the illegal secret ballots eliminating some legitimate applicants, and 2) because the public was never provided an opportunity to support or oppose the legitimate applicants who were eliminated."

Musser-Lopez demanded that the board of supervisors cure the violation by voiding the December 11 vote and voiding "any other serial votes by members of the board of supervisors on December 10 and 11, 2018 and that to be voted on December 13, 2018 pertaining to the selection of a replacement supervisor for the 3<sup>rd</sup> District. My further claim

**County Wildlife Corner  
Dwarf Checkerbloom**



chera and muhlenbergia, and coastal sage scrub within a mixed evergreen forest, open pine forest, shadscale scrub and central oak woodland at elevations from 4,500 feet to 7,000 feet. It occurs usually in wetlands, and occasionally in non-wetlands

It sports bladed leaves. Its flower is a calyx, sparsely stellate-puberulent, with simple long hairs. Its foliage

horkelia species and syrinchium bellum. Transplanted, it can flourish in granitic soils, to serpentine, edges of beach sand to heavy clay.

It is much like Sidalcea neomexicana, but has rhizome-like stems present, a rougher fruit, and stems that are more leafy. It strongly resembles, and is possibly a close relative to, sidalcea reptans.

Transplanted, sidalcea

The dwarf checkerbloom is a subspecies of the sidalcea malviflora that is extremely rare, endemic to two known locations in the San Bernardino Mountains. This flowering plant's scientific name is sidalcea malviflora ssp. Dolosa. It has a second common name, the deceitful checker mallow. A dicot, the checkerbloom is a perennial with a small cluster of leaves at its base and a two-to-three foot spike of one inch light purple flowers. The stems are somewhat



lax as the plant grows in perennial grass thickets in seasonal springs. It is showy in its own delicate way. It grows in partial shade to full sun. In nurseries, it remains visible in the ground when isolated but is hard to find in grassy thickets as it retains a 4-inch clump of leaves. This may be a survival trait to protect itself from deer, which find it to be tasty. It will survive well in winter deluges but needs little water in the summer. In the wild it grows with stipa cernua, stipa pul-

malvaefflora is great for a butterfly garden.

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# Grace Bernal's California Style

## 'Tis The Season



Getting into the holiday spirit can be a bit of



the party look together. Though this can be a tricky task, there are a few things you can do to get by with ease. My number one suggestion is "Have Fun!" Don't be shy and sparkle all you can this season. After



a rut with so much going on. With a calendar full of festivities and the holidays just around the corner, it's time to get



ing a brooch or tying a belt around the waist. Sparkle up the season with a shimmery piece like a sequined skirt or a metallic blazer. Forget the little black dress for



a moment! Get the into-the-holiday-spirit by wearing a bold blue or red dress instead. Add a velvet pair of shoes or an accessory like a hat or scarf to your outfit. Wear



gigantic bib necklaces and bangle bracelets if you dare. Up-do your hair, get red lips, and smokey up your eyes. Simplicity isn't for the holidays. This season calls for leather, lace, and faux furs. Give it a try! Ditch the denim un-



til the party circuit dies down. Instead of denim, try the trouser in a fun festive color.

I hope these tips help get you in the holiday spirit. Have fun going out to your party of choice.



There is nothing better in life than to dress to eat, drink, and be merry. Have a fabulous Holiday Season wherever you go.

*"Remember you're a star. Never go across the alley even to dump garbage unless you are dressed to the teeth."*  
-Cecil B. De Mille



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dence from the same individual alleging a Brown Act Violation, so we are considering that and our recommendation is that the board take absolutely no action today and that the meeting be adjourned and we will bring an item back on Tuesday for consideration."

"With that understanding and wanting complete transparency, we're going to go ahead and adjourn the meeting to a close.

Musser-Lopez, who has written history columns for the *Sentinel*, is a member of a splinter group within the San Bernardino County Democratic Central

Committee which refers to itself as the SBCDCC Strategy Team. That team exists as a smaller subset of roughly 35 percent of the San Bernardino County Democratic Central Committee's members who are displeased with the performance of the Democratic Party in San Bernardino County over the last several election cycles while the central committee has been led by its chairman since 2012, Chris Robles. The team's members believe that Robles has been far less energetic than he could have been in coordinating electioneering efforts for the county party, given that voter registration numbers in San Bernardino County reflect a substantial if not overwhelming advantage to the Democrats among the county's current 954,758 voters, as 371,001 of those or 38.9 percent are affiliated with the Democratic Party and 278,380 or 29.2 percent are registered as Republicans. Work-

ing outside the official auspices of the San Bernardino County Democratic Central Committee but with the support of Democrats affiliated with the party's state apparatus, the strategy team is seeking to break the hold the Republican Party has on the county's governmental structure and to intensify pro-Democratic efforts in races for state and federal office. In San Bernardino's Fifth, Fourth and Second districts, registered Democrats outnumber registered Republicans by more 30 percent, 15 percent and 7 percent, respectively; in the Third and First districts, the Republicans hold a registration advantage of under 1 percent.

The strategy team is aiming at overturning the county's current effort to have the Republican-dominated board of supervisors fill the vacant Third District board position. Musser-Lopez said the board's Brown Act violation emerged

as a means by which to challenge the validity of the selection process. She said the team is exploring the possibility of augmenting that challenge with further action that will call into question, on technical grounds, the eligibility of two of the finalists to hold the Third District position. Musser-Lopez reiterated her belief the process engaged in by the supervisors has invalidated any selection they might make. The resolution of those challenges would most likely not occur until after January 2, at which point the board's authority to make the appointment would lapse and the designation of the individual to hold office on the San Bernardino County Board of Supervisors representing the Third District would become the purview of the state's Democratic governor.

"The unlawful 'elimination process' beginning with a prohibited serial meeting and secret ballot vote on Decem-

ber 10 was designed to winnow down the field of candidates to an obvious outcome," Musser-Lopez told the *Sentinel*. "The Republicans on the board would have knowledge as to how to vote to achieve a desired pre-planned vote in unison by three members. This was not a merit-based selection process based upon qualifications, skills, and knowledge or who the people of the Third District wanted representing them. This is purely politics: how to keep the appointment from being decided by the Democratic governor. Along the way, the board of supervisors violated the rights of the people: to redress their government and speech rights. Applicants of color were not provided the same right or opportunity to make their case as the white country club Republicans. Further, it appears that the three Republican board members will make no effort to cure the situation by offering to inter-

view or give equal time and treatment to those applicants they earlier shunned. The board of supervisors has on their agenda for December 18 a plan to quote-unquote 'rescind' their unlawful acts as if just their say-so 'cures and corrects' the situation. You can't rescind an act that has already been done. The list has already been made. They can rescind a prohibited process but they can't rescind the act of engaging in a prohibited process. I don't think they can get out of it. A stay on a selection while the constitutional rights violation issue is being decided could hold this selection process up indefinitely...at last beyond 30 days. It will be interesting to watch what the First Amendment Coalition decides to do with this case. There is a criminal element to this too that could potentially be taken up by the district attorney or perhaps the attorney general."

-Mark Gutglueck