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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
County of Santa Cruz
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DEFERRAL OF APRIL 27, 1999 REPORT ON CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS FOR PUBLIC DEFENDER CONFLICT OF INTEREST SERVICES

Dear Members of the Board

On March 23, 1999, your Board directed the County Administrative Office to submit a report for the April 13, 1999 Board meeting on the outcome of the contract negotiations with Wallraff & Gilman; and Page, Salisbury & Dudley for public defender conflict of interest services effective July 1, 1999 through June 30, 2002. We have spent the ensuing two weeks, negotiating with both law firms. At this time, it appears as though we are approaching an impasse with both law firms over the issue of annual contract cost increases. Therefore, we will need additional time to review other options.

It is therefore RECOMMENDED that your Board defer the report on the public defender conflict of interest services contract negotiations with Wallraff & Gilman; and Page, Salisbury & Dudley to on or before May 18, 1999.

Very truly yours,

SUSAN A. MAURIELLO
County Administrative Officer

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cc: Wallraff & Gilman

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