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GOVERNMENT TORT CLAIM

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Agenda May 2, 2000

To: Board of Supervisors

Re: Claim of Daniel M. Seftel #900-120A

Original document and associated materials are on file at the Clerk to the Board of Supervisors.

In regard to the above-referenced claim, this is to recommend that the Board take the following action:

- X 1. Reject the claim of Daniel M. Seftel #900-120A and refer to County Counsel.
- 2. Deny the application to file a late claim on behalf of _____ and refer to County Counsel.
- 3. Grant the application to file a late claim on behalf of _____ and refer to County Counsel.
- 4. Approve the claim of _____ in the amount of _____ and reject the balance, if any, and refer to County Counsel.
- 5. Reject the claim of _____ as insufficiently filed and refer to County Counsel.

cc: John Fantham, Director
Department of Public Works

RISK MANAGEMENT

By Janet McKinley

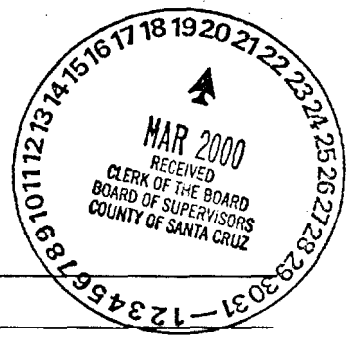
COUNTY COUNSEL

By Samuel Torres

900-120A

CLAIM AGAINST THE COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ⁰⁰⁰⁴
(Pursuant to Section 910 et Seq., Govt. Code)

TO: BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ
ATTN: Clerk of the Board
Governmental Center
701 Ocean Street, Santa Cruz, CA 95060



1. Claimant's Name: DANIEL M. SEFTEL
Address: 700 GLEN CANYON RD.
SANTA CRUZ, CA 95060
Phone No: 423-4855
P.O. Box to which notices are to be sent: N/A
2. Occurrence: CRACKED AUTOMOBILE RADIATOR
Date: MARCH 8th 2000 Place: GLEN CANYON ROAD
3. Circumstances of occurrence or transaction giving rise to claim: SEE ATTACHED
4. General description of indebtedness, obligation, injury, damage or loss incurred so far as is now known: SEE ATTACHED
5. Name(s) of public employee(s) causing injury, damage or loss, if known: N/A
6. Amount claimed now\$ 408.58
Estimated amount of future loss, if known\$ NONE
TOTAL \$ 408.58
7. Basis for above computations: SEE ATTACHED
8. If the amount claimed is over \$10,000, indicate the court of jurisdiction:
_____ Municipal Court _____ Superior Court

CLAIMANT'S SIGNATURE: Daniel M. Seftel

Note: Claim must be presented to Clerk, Board of Supervisors, within six (6) months after the act which occasioned the injury.
Americans with Disabilities Act questions or requests for accommodations may be directed to the ADA Coordinator at 454-2962 (TDD 454-2123).

Board of Supervisors
County of Santa Cruz
Attn: Clerk of the Board
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Santa Cruz, CA. 95060

March 16, 2000

Re: Articles 3 & 4 on claim form.


Approximately March 2 I noticed one of several pot holes on Glen Canyon Rd. during the extensive rains we had during that period. However, the pot hole that caused the damage to my car kept getting larger and deeper. Since I live on Glen Canyon Rd I travel it at least 2x a day and tried avoiding this larger pothole. However on March 8 or 9 I inadvertently hit it with an extreme jarring to the front of my car. Two or three days later (on the weekend) I noticed the temperature gauge in my car slowly increasing beyond the half way mark. On Monday March 13, I called my garage for an appointment which was made for the following day.

My chief complaint was overheating but since I was due for a service maintenance at 75,000 miles (at the time I had a little over 74,000 miles on the odometer) I decided to have that done..

It was at that time the service dept. discovered a crack in the radiator, which of course resulted in a slow leak of the coolant and overheating. I was told that many of the newer cars now have radiators with plastic tanks which are less resistant to shocks.

Therefore my claim to the County of Santa is a total of \$404.58 for the replacement of a car radiator due to the negligence of not repairing a deep pothole for a period of at least one week.

Please see claim by my wife, Lucienne Seftel for a destroyed tire caused by this same pothole.


Daniel M. Seftel