



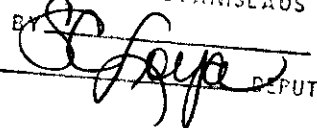
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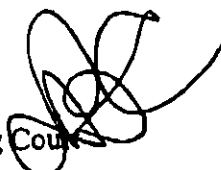
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COUNTY OF STANISLAUS

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MEMORANDUM

Date January 13, 2004	Action Requested For your review
To Hon. Aldo Girolami Judge of the Superior Court of California, County of Stanislaus	Deadline N/A
From Mr. Michael A. Tozzi Court Executive Officer County of Stanislaus	Contact Brad Campbell
From D. Brad Campbell, Supervising Court Services Analyst Appellate and Trial Court Judicial Services	
Subject Administrative Office of the Courts Report on Change of Venue in the Scott Lee Peterson Case; Case No. 1056770	



Notice of Transfer

The Administrative Director of the Courts was advised of a pending transfer, pursuant to rule 4.152 of the California Rules of Court, *in the matter of Scott Lee Peterson*, on January 8, 2004. On behalf of the Administrative Director, the following is a report of courts that were contacted in regard to change of venue in the above matter. Four of six courts contacted reported that they would not be unduly burdened by the transfer.

Report of Courts Contacted

The following superior courts were contacted regarding the change of venue: Alameda, Contra Costa, Los Angeles, Orange, San Mateo and Santa Clara. The following factors were considered: An urban, diverse population; proximity to air transportation; availability of

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appropriate court facilities; all security issues; ability to accommodate the media; and the availability of court support staff.

The following courts are able to accommodate the change of venue without undue burden:
Alameda, Orange, San Mateo and Santa Clara.

Alameda: (Bay Area) The Superior Court in Alameda reports the availability of a high security courtroom facility at the Wiley W. Manuel Courthouse in Oakland. The courthouse is attached to their detention facility. However, the courtroom would require some minor renovation prior to use. The courtroom has ample space to accommodate the media and attorney needs. There is no support staff available. The sending court would need to provide staff—bailiff, court reporters, clerks.

Orange: (Southern California) The Superior Court in Orange reports the availability of a high security courtroom with appropriate security staff. There is accommodation for the media and attorneys, and the court has the services of a public information officer. Support staff is available to assist in this matter during all phases. This court is of course at some distance for witness transport and any Stanislaus County staff.

San Mateo: (Bay Area) The Superior Court in San Mateo reports the availability of an appropriate courtroom with attached security and detention facilities in San Mateo; no outside transport of the defendant is necessary. The media, attorneys and witnesses have ample space for accommodation. Support staff is available. Scheduling is not a problem.

Santa Clara: (Bay Area) The Superior Court in Santa Clara reports the tentative availability of an appropriate courtroom (Santa Clara site) (scheduling may be a problem; the courtroom may not be available until March 1, 2004). There are no available court reporters to assist. Daily outside transport of the defendant will be necessary, as the courtroom is not attached to detention. The court requests six-weeks lead time to administer a large jury pool.

The presiding judges and court executive officers of the trial courts were consulted regarding the transfer. Please call me at the above number if you have additional questions or if we may be of additional assistance.

cc: Hon. Ronald M. George
William C. Vickrey
Ronald G. Overholt
Marcia M. Taylor