

Marin County Civil Grand Jury

Date: June 30, 2014

To: Barbara A. Kauffman, Esq. 204 West Lake Street, Suite D Mount Shasta, CA 96067

Re: Acknowledgment of Request for Investigation by the Marin County Civil Grand Jury

Dear Ms. Kauffman:

Thank you for your request for investigation dated June 10, 2014.

There is no statutory authority or case law that gives the Grand Jury the power and/or authority to investigate the Superior Court. Indeed, the clear mandate of a Civil Grand Jury is found in Government Code Section 925: "The grand jury shall investigate and report on the operations, accounts, and records of the officers, departments, or functions of the county including those operations, accounts, and records of any special legislative district or other district in the county created pursuant to state law for which the officers of the county are serving in their ex officio capacity as officers of the district."

The Marin Superior Court is a state agency, and thus, is not subject to the investigative functions of a Civil Grand Jury. Accordingly, we are returning your complaint and other materials to you.

Your interest in the Grand Jury is appreciated.

Sincerely,

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