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“PHASE TWO” MANAGEMENT CHANGES AT CITY ATTORNEY’S OFFICE ANDREW JONES NAMED EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT CITY ATTORNEY AND TRICIA PUMMILL TO LEAD CRIMINAL DIVISION

San Diego, CA: Assistant City Attorney Andrew Jones has been promoted to Executive Assistant City Attorney, traditionally the number two management position in the office. In addition, Assistant City Attorney Tricia Pummill will now lead the Criminal Division.

Up to this point, the Executive ACA position has been left vacant as all management resources were focused on phase one of a plan to rebuild the office into a properly functioning law office operation. “We have completed phase one of our plan,” said City Attorney Jan Goldsmith. “We are very pleased with the general quality of work, quality control, training and teamwork in our law firm. We can now move to phase two, which envisions an Executive ACA.”

Andrew Jones has been an Assistant City Attorney since December, 2008, when Mr. Goldsmith assumed office. Mr. Jones led the Civil Litigation Division for one year and then led the Criminal Division the second year. Andrew Jones was sworn in as a Deputy City Attorney in 1997. During his tenure in the City Attorney's Office, he has served as a criminal prosecutor for misdemeanor violations, and prosecuted abusers in domestic violence and child abuse cases. Mr. Jones is also a trial attorney with over 13 years experience. His civil practice has covered a wide variety of areas including civil rights, torts, inverse condemnation, unlawful detainers, and breach of contract.

No additional personnel will be added because Assistant City Attorney Tricia Pummill will now lead both the Community Justice and Criminal divisions. Ms. Pummill has been a criminal prosecutor for over 27 years, including experience serving as a Deputy District Attorney in San Diego prosecuting white collar crime and consumer protection. Ms. Pummill has also served as an Assistant City Attorney since December, 2008, when Mr. Goldsmith took office. The criminal divisions will benefit from one leader who can better assess and vigilantly pursue efficiency opportunities, evaluate caseloads and ensure consistency of policies.

There are four Assistant City Attorneys in the office—Mary Jo Lanzafame (Advisory Division), Don Worley (Civil Litigation Division), Mr. Jones and Ms. Pummill.

“Our four ACA’s have been leaders from day one in rebuilding this office. Our staff, attorneys and leaders have worked hard to make this turnaround successful and we are very proud of our office,” said Mr. Goldsmith.

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