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## GRAND JURY SANTA BARBARA COUNTY

November 30, 2008

Los Alamos Cemetery District  
P.O. Box 702  
Los Alamos, CA 93440

Chair:

The 2008-2009 Civil Grand Jury is reviewing a response given to the 2005-2006 Civil Grand Jury report entitled "Water and Cemetery Districts: Do Special Districts Need Watching?", specifically Recommendation #1.

This recommendation reads: "Water and cemetery district Board members should receive training, by January 1, 2007, in all subjects mandated by Assembly Bill 1234."...

The response from the Los Alamos Cemetery District was: "The District agrees with this recommendation. All training will be implemented by the District." ...

The Grand Jury is requesting an update on the current status of progress on the matter and, if concluded, information documenting and detailing the conclusion and the date completed. Please reply in detail to the Grand Jury at the above address at your earliest convenience, but in any event not later than 30 days from this date.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Ted Sten  
Foreman  
Santa Barbara County Civil Grand Jury

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## LOS ALAMOS CEMETERY

4777 DRUM CANYON ROAD, LOS ALAMOS, CALIFORNIA

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P.O. Box 702  
Los Alamos, CA 93440

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December 10, 2008

Santa Barbara County Civil Grand Jury  
Grand Jury Room  
County Courthouse  
Santa Barbara, CA 93101

This letter is in response to your letter dated November 30, 2008 regarding your request for an update on the current status of the progress on the matter of Board member training.

The District's complete response was:

**Recommendation 1 – "THE DISTRICT AGREES WITH THIS RECOMMENDATION. ALL TRAINING WILL BE IMPLEMENTED BY THE DISTRICT. HOWEVER, SPECIFIC DEADLINES MAY BE PROBLEMATIC DUE TO BUDGET CONSTRAINTS WHICH ARE BEYOND DISTRICT CONTROL."**

The District agrees with the recommendation and has not yet completed the ethics training at this time.

Dwayne Cripe  
Chairman of the Board  
Los Alamos, Cemetery District



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**Public Service Ethics Education  
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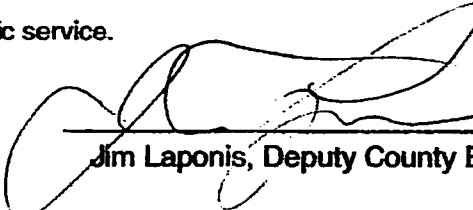
Participant Name: *Ronald Fairbanks*  
Course/Session Title: *Public Officials Ethics Training*  
Course Date & Time: *July 13, 2006 (9:00 am – 12:00 pm)*  
Location: *Santa Maria*

To be completed by provider: The above course was

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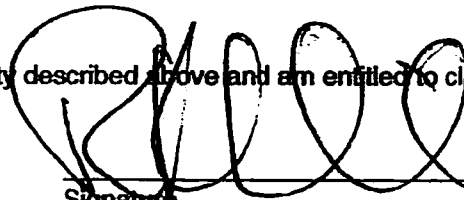
  
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Jim Laponis, Deputy County Executive Officer



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By signing below, I certify that I participated in the activity described above and am entitled to claim 3 ethics education credit hour (s).

*Ronald K Fairbanks*  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Participant Name (print)

  
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Signature

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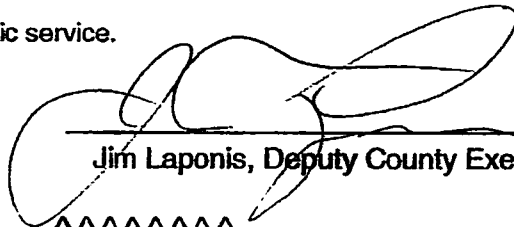
Participant Name: *Edward Everett*  
Course/Session Title: Public Officials Ethics Training  
Course Date & Time: July 13, 2006 (9:00 am – 12:00 pm)  
Location: Santa Maria

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Jim Laponis, Deputy County Executive Officer  
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EDWARD L. EVERETT  
Participant Name (print)

Edward L. Everett  
Signature

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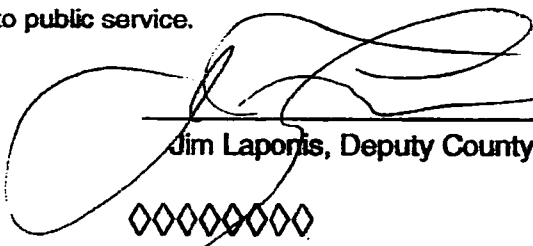
Participant Name: *Don Stalker*  
Course/Session Title: Public Officials Ethics Training  
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Jim Laporis, Deputy County Executive Officer

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DON W. STALKER  
Participant Name (print)

*Don W. Stalker*  
Signature

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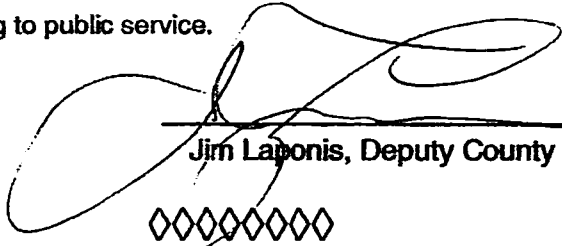
Participant Name: *James Sloan*  
Course/Session Title: Public Officials Ethics Training  
Course Date & Time: July 13, 2006 (9:00 am – 12:00 pm)  
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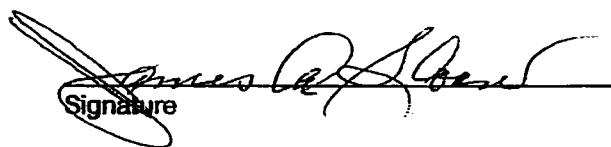
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JAMES A. SLOAN  
Participant Name (print)

  
Signature

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Participant Name: *Mark Powers*  
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MARK E. POWERS  
Participant Name (print)

Mark E. Powers  
Signature

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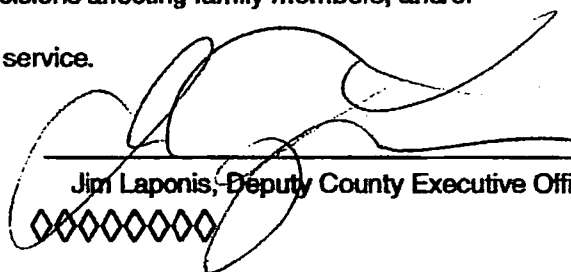
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Participant Name: *Joseph Avila*  
Course/Session Title: Public Officials Ethics Training  
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Joseph Avila  
Participant Name (print)

Joseph Avila  
Signature

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