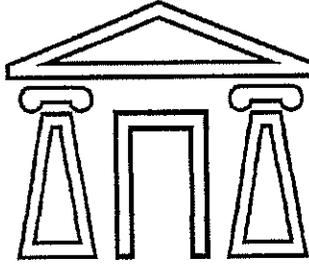


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**Re: Sonoma County Law Enforcement Association v. County of Sonoma
Case No. CV-08-3194-JL
Our File No. RET/07-0330**

Dear Judge Larson:

The parties respectfully request a continuance on the Initial Case Management Conference from October 8, 2008, at 10:30 a.m. to November 12, 2008, at 10:30 a.m. The purpose for the continuance is to permit the parties to determine whether it is possible to settle the case without further court proceedings, to conserve the resources of the parties and the court. Specifically, on September 17, 2008, counsel for the parties initiated settlement discussions, and raised possible settlement options. As of the date of this letter, the parties have not yet had an opportunity to consider these settlement options in full. Counsel believe that an additional month would be satisfactory to enable the parties to determine whether any of the settlements options could resolve any or all of the issues raised in the complaint.

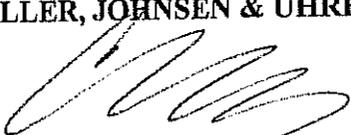
Alternatively, should the Court wish to proceed with the Case Management Conference on October 8, 2008, counsel for the parties request that they be able to participate via telephone.

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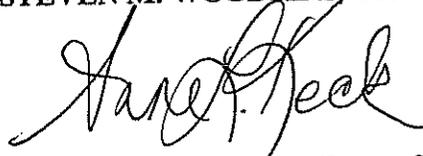
Thank you for your attention and consideration.

Sincerely,

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