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Case No. SCUK-CVPB-13-26080

VERIFIED PETITION FOR DECLARATORY RELIEF AND WRIT OF MANDATE COMPELLING COUNTY OF MENDOCINO TO ISSUE BURIAL PERMIT AND DEATH CERTIFICATE

This is an action for declaratory relief and writ of mandate to overturn Mendocino County's violations of decedent's fundamental rights of Liberty, Property, Safety, Happiness and Privacy, Due Process of Law; Equal Protection of Law; and Civil Rights.

The facts and legal issues herein concern the right of an individual to be buried on privately owned rural real property where the public is not invited, welcome or expected. No public health or safety interest is at risk and no member of the public is harmed. No compelling governmental interest exists to abridge these rights and all legitimate

Decedent Carrie J. Hamburg herein specifically directed the she be buried on her family's property as authorized and protected by California Health and Safety Code, section 7100.1.¹ This right is guaranteed and protected by the Constitution of the State of California in Article I, Sections I² and 7, The 14th Amendment to the United States Constitution of the United States, and the United States Civil Rights Act, 42 U.S.C. 1983.

Pursuant to her express instructions as she set forth in the Codicil to her Will, and in conformance with §7100.1, decedent Carrie J. Hamburg was interned in a whole

California Health and Safety Code Section 7100.1, provides in pertinent part as follows:

Safety Code unless otherwise noted.)

Article I, Section 1: "All people are by nature free and independent and have inalienable rights. Among these are enjoying and defending life and liberty, acquiring, possessing and protecting property, and pursuing and obtaining safety, happiness and privacy."

⁽a) A decedent, prior to death, may direct, in writing, the disposition of his or her remains and specify funeral goods and services to be provided. Unless there is a statement to the contrary that is signed and dated by the decedent, the directions may not be altered, changed, or otherwise amended in any material way, except as may be required by law, and shall be faithfully carried out upon his or her death, provided both of the following requirements are met: (1) the directions set forth clearly and completely the final wishes of the decedent in sufficient detail so as to preclude any material ambiguity with regard to the instructions; and, (2) arrangements for payment through trusts, insurance, commitments by others, or any other effective and binding means, have been made, so as to preclude the payment of any funds by the survivor or survivors of the deceased that might otherwise retain the right to control the disposition.

⁽b) In the event arrangements for only one of either the cost of interment or the cost of the funeral goods and services are made pursuant to this section, the remaining wishes of the decedent shall be carried out only to the extent that the decedent has sufficient assets to do so, unless the person or persons that otherwise have the right to control the disposition and arrange for funeral goods and services agree to assume the cost. All other provisions of the directions shall be carried out.

⁽c) If the directions are contained in a will, they shall be immediately carried out, regardless of the validity of the will in other respects or of the fact that the will may not be offered for or admitted to probate until a later date.

(emphasis added)(All California Code Sections referred to herein are from the Health and

body burial on her family's homestead, a privately owned 46 acre parcel of rural real property located in Mendocino County. Decedent's codicil specifically cites her spiritual beliefs as one reason, among others, as the basis of her directive for a whole body burial.

§7100.1(a) broadly supports decedent's rights and Petitioner's claim by allowing any person to specify and direct the disposition of her or his remains. However, the phrase "except as may be required by law," in the second sentence of §7100.1, functionally renders the entire statute's intent to honor decedent's burial directive impotent and meaningless for individuals who desire to be buried on private real property. It creates a fundamental road block to any private property burial by imposing an overbroad scheme of statutes and policies for which no compelling governmental interest exists or has been asserted.

It is this scheme of statutes and policies which vitiate, violate and deny the inalienable rights liberty, property, safety, happiness and privacy rights identified in Article I, Sections 1 and 7 of the California Constitution and the 14th Amendment to the United States Constitution, and the United States Civil Rights Act.

The California and United States Constitutions, as interpreted by their highest courts require that any limitation of an inalienable and fundamental right be narrowly drawn and address only a specifically indentified and strictly scrutinized compelling state interest that would be sufficient to override property and privacy rights.

In this matter the Petitioner seeks a declaration from this Court stating and protecting the decedent's rights, and that of all others who may choose to be buried or bury their next of kin on private real property to lawfully do so. Petition further seeks a writ of mandate ordering Mendocino County to issue a death certificate and burial permit for decedent's present interment and that Mendocino County undertake no further investigative enforcement proceeding to disturb decedent's interment.

PARTIES

Petitioner Daniel E. Hamburg is the widower of Carrie J. Hamburg and the executor her estate. Respondent is the County of Mendocino, the Vital Statistics Division of County's Health and Human Services Department.

JURISDISCTION

Jurisdiction is found in Probate Code Section 800. "....the individual has sufficient proprietary interest in his own body after his death to be able to make valid and binding testamentary disposition of it. The court in probate and the personal representative acquire jurisdiction from the last testament to see that its provisions in this regard, as in all others, are duly executed." (*O'Donnell v. Slack* (1899) 123 Cal. 285, 288–289, 55 P. 906.) All parties are resident in Mendocino County.

FACTS

- 1. Decedent Carrie J. Hamburg was born on November 9, 1946, in San Francisco, California. She was a resident of Mendocino County for 40 years. She died from cancer, surrounded by her family on March 5, 2013, at the family homestead at 1330 Boonville Road, Ukiah, California.
- 2. Decedent's Codicil, dated February 27, 2013, sets forth specific and detailed directions for her burial. A copy of said Codicil is attached hereto as Exhibit "A," and incorporated herein by reference.
- 3. Decedent's Will and Codicil were admitted to probate by Minute Order of this court, in the instant probate proceeding on May 17, 2013. Said order further appointed Petitioner Daniel E. Hamburg Executor of Decedent's estate with Full Authority under the Independent Administration of Estates Act.
- 4. Pursuant to decedent's Codicil which specifically sets forth her wishes pursuant to § 7100.1, and in faithful reliance thereon decedent was interned at the location chosen by her on her family's homestead.

- 5. Decedent was buried in a grave five feet deep, 312 feet from a draw which rarely carries water and then only for a very short time after a significant rain fall, 350 feet from the nearest boundary line of the homestead property.³
- 6. Title to the real property where Decedent was interned is vested fee simple, free and clear of any encumbrance, in the HAMBURG REVOCABLE FAMILY TRUST, Dated January 25, 2012. Petitioner is the sole acting Trustee of said Trust. Said property is a 45.25 acre parcel, located on Shepherd's Lane, a rural subdivision (40 acre minimum parcel size) off Highway 253, and commonly known as 1330 Boonville Road, Ukiah, California.
- 7. No contagious disease risk or public health hazard is caused as a result of the burial of a human body on privately owned rural real property. It is common for owners and residents of rural real property to bury their deceased pets and other animals, including but not limited to canines, felines, equines, bovines, porcines, etc. on their rural real property.⁴
- 8. No compelling governmental interest of any kind whatsoever exists for Mendocino County to refuse to issue a death certificate signed by the decedent's treating physician and a burial permit for the decedent.
- 9. Here the death certificate was signed by Dr. Russell Hardy, decedent's treating physician, along with an application for a burial permit which contains true and accurate information provided by decedent's son and daughter. The death certificate and application were submitted in good faith to the Mendocino County Vital Statistics Division of the Health and Human Services Department on March 14, 2013, by George Leinen, owner of Empire Mortuary.⁵

Declarations of Dr. Charles E. Evans, M.D. and Dr. Marvin Trotter, M.D. attached as Exhibits 'C" and "D."

Declaration of George Leinen, dated May 29, 2013 filed herewith and attached as Exhibit "E"

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- 10. The Mendocino County Vital Statistics Division refused to accept and then rejected said Death Certificate and the Application for a Burial Permit. The rejection stated "Burial on private property, need proof of 'certificate of authority in order to bury on private land."
- 11. Mendocino County has opened an investigation pursuant to Health and Safety Code §7054⁶ for an alleged misdemeanor violation of law for a burial outside of a cemetery.
- 12. Health and Safety Code §103055⁷ authorizes and requires a burial permit on private land to be issued.
- 13. Notwithstanding the fact that Mendocino County has previously issued death certificates and permits to bury deceased humans on private real property pursuant to §103055, in this matter it has refused and continues to refuse to issue a death certificate and burial permit to decedent. This court is requested to take judicial notice of two cases where burials on private real property have been ordered.8

^{§7054(}a)(1) Except as authorized pursuant to the sections referred to in subdivision (b), every person who deposits or disposes of any human remains in any place, except in a cemetery, is guilty of a misdemeanor. (b) Cremated remains may be disposed of pursuant to Sections 7054.6, 7116, 7117, and 103060.

^{§103055 (}a) If the certificate of death is properly executed and complete, the local registrar of births and deaths shall issue a permit for disposition, that in all cases, shall specify any one of the following: (1) The name of the cemetery where the remains shall be interred.

⁽²⁾ Burial at sea as provided in Section 7117.

⁽³⁾ The address or description of the place where remains shall be buried or scattered.

⁽⁴⁾ The address of the location where the cremated remains will be kept, as provided in Section 7054.6, under the conditions the state registrar may approve, including, but not limited to, conditions in keeping with public sensibilities, applicable laws, and reasonable assurances that the disposition will be carried out in accordance with the prescribed conditions and will not constitute a private or public nuisance.

⁽b) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this part relative to issuance of a permit for disposition, whenever the death occurred from a disease declared by the state department to be infectious, contagious, or communicable and dangerous to the public health, no permit for the disposition of the body shall be issued by the local registrar, except under those conditions as may be prescribed by the state department and local health officers. (Emphasis added.)

[§] See request for Judicial Notice filed herewith, and Attached as Exhibit "G."

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- 14. Mendocino County has the primary zoning authority within the unincorporated land of the County. The County zoning code does not address cemetery zoning. This lack of zoning, de facto permits burials on private property and Respondent has previously allowed such burials as shown the in the files of this court for which Judicial Notice has been requested.
- 15. On information and belief, Petitioner alleges that California is one of three states that applies and enforces such unreasonable, excessively restrictive, and internally inconsistent burial laws and regulations. These laws and regulations directly result in the functional prohibition of safe and risk free home burials to Petitioner and others. These prohibitions violate the laws and Constitutions of the State of California and the United States.

FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION

Denial of Liberty, Property, Safety, Happiness, Privacy, Due Process of Law, Equal Protection of the Law, and Civil Rights as Protected by 42 United States Code §1983

- 16. Petitioner incorporates by reference paragraphs 1 though 15 above, as if fully stated herein.
- 17. Respondent's above described failures vitiate, violate and deny the Decedent, her Estate; and her next of kin Liberty, Property, Safety, Happiness and Privacy, Due Process of Law; Equal Protection of Law; and Civil Rights of law in violation of Article One, Sections One and Seven of the Constitution of the State of California, and the 14th Amendment to the Constitution of the United States. and decedent's express wishes.
- 18. Respondent's failure to issue a death certificate and burial permit vitiates. violates and denies the Decedent, post mortem; the rights of her Estate; and the rights of her next of kin their civil rights as protected by 42 United States Code §1983.

- 19. On information and belief and based upon the opinions of physicians and public health experts, the chance of infectious disease or other public health hazard of any kind caused as a result of manner of decedent's burial of the location thereof is *de minimus*.
- 20. Neither the Respondent nor the state laws on which Respondent allegedly relies have advanced any compelling or even substantial governmental right to justify the refusal of Respondent to certify and issue the death certificate and burial permit.
- 21. On information and belief, Petitioner alleges that California is one of three states that applies and enforces such unreasonable, excessively restrictive, and internally inconsistent burial laws and regulations. These laws and regulations directly result in the functional prohibition of safe and risk free home burials to Petitioner and others. These prohibitions violate the laws and Constitutions of the State of California and the United States.
- 22. Respondent's breach is apparently grounded on the phrase "except as may be required by law. . ." found in §7100.1(a). This vague and ambiguous phrase and Respondent's breach in reliance thereon is a serious and egregious overreach by Mendocino County and ignores the social norms underlying the community.
- 23. This breach is an actual, direct, grievous invasion and violation of the aforesaid inalienable rights of the decedent, the Petitioner, decedent's family and other next of kin, and all other people in California who wish to be buried on private real property, all as guaranteed to them individually and collectively by the laws and Constitution of the State of California and the laws and Constitution of the United States.
- 24. The right to determine where one is buried is an intimate, private, personal choice, one of several inalienable rights of privacy, characterized as *autonomy privacy*⁹ protected by Article I, Section I, of the California Constitution.

Hill v. National Collegiate Athletic Assoc. (1994) 7 Cal.4th 1, 35.

- 25. No compelling governmental interest whatsoever exists and none has been asserted, to allow the County to invade decedent's personal autonomy right of privacy to a whole body burial to the decedent on private rural real property.
- 26. The legitimate governmental interests of Mendocino County are limited to the recording information which property identifies the decedent, the fact, date, cause of death, and disposition of the decedent's remains. Said information was provided to the Respondent as evidenced in the exhibits to the Declaration of George Leinen filed herewith and authenticated therein.
- 27. On information and belief Petitioner alleges that Respondent Mendocino County will refuse and continue to refuse to issue the requested death certificate and burial permit for the decedent herein and will refuse to issue death certificates and burial permits to all others who may direct a burial on private real property in the future.

SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION

Declaratory Relief

- 28. Petitioner incorporates by reference paragraphs 1 though 27 above, as if fully stated herein.
- 29. An actual controversy has arisen between the parties in relation to the interpretation of §7100.1 and inalienable rights set forth above, in that the parties are in dispute as to whether, under the law, decedent is permitted to be buried on her family's rural homestead, remain *in situ*, and whether the respondent must issue a death certificate and burial permit.

THIRD CAUSE OF ACTION

Writ of Mandate

- 28. Petitioner incorporates by reference paragraphs 1 through 27 above, as if fully stated herein.
- 29. Petitioner is beneficially interested in the performance of respondent's duty in that he requires the issuance of a death certificate and burial permit. This must be done to protect the above described inalienable rights of Petitioner's deceased wife, himself

his family and next of kin, which have been denied to them by respondent's refusal to issue these aforesaid required documents.

- 30. Respondent has the present ability to perform the duty and has abused its discretion in failing to do so.
- 31. Respondent's failure to perform it duty has resulted in the opening of an investigation pursuant to Health and Safety Code §7054(a)(1) which investigation will further invade the fundamental constitutional rights of the parties herein and their next of kin.
- 32. Petitioner has no plain, speedy, and adequate remedy in the ordinary course of the law other than the issuance by this court of a writ of mandamus.

PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, Petitioner prays as follows:

- 1. For the Court to issue a declaration that the phrase "except as may be required by law" in §7100.1, and the scheme of statutes and regulations related thereto, is vague, ambiguous and overbroad, and thus violates the aforesaid inalienable constitutional rights of liberty property, safety, happiness, privacy, due process of law, equal protection of the law as guaranteed by the Constitution of California and the United States and further protected by the civil rights protected by 42 USC 1983.
- 2. For the Court to issue an alternative writ of mandamus commanding the County of Mendocino to issue a death certificate and burial permit for the decedent for the grave site where she is now *in situ*, or to appear before this court, pursuant to noticed motion, and show cause why the County of Mendocino has not done so, and after hearing issue a peremptory writ of mandamus commanding respondent to issue death certificate and burial permit for the decedent for the grave site where she now *in situ*.
- 3. For the Court to Order Mendocino County to issue a Death Certificate and Burial Permit be issued certifying that the decedent has died;
- 4. For the Court to Order Mendocino County to cease any action pursuant to Health and Safety Code §7054(a)(1);

- 5. Attorney's fees and costs of suit incurred herein pursuant to C.C.P. 1021.5 and 42 United States Code §1983; and
 - 6. For such other and further relief as the Court may deem just and proper.

Dated: June 3, 2013.

BARRY VOGEL

Attorney for Executor - Petitioner

VERIFICATION

I am the Executor of the Estate of Carrie J. Hamburg and the Petitioner in this action. I have read the foregoing Petition, and it is true of my own knowledge, except as to those matters stated on information or belief, and as to those matters, I believe it to be true.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed this 3rd day of June, 2013, at Ukiah, California.

FIRST CODICIL TO THE LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT OF CARRIE J. HAMBURG

I, CARRIE J. HAMBURG, a resident of Mendocino County, California, being of lawful age and sound mind and not being actuated by any duress, menace, fraud or undue influence, hereby declare this to be the First Codicil to my Last Will and Testament dated January 25, 2012.

FIRST: I delete paragraph SEVENTH of my said Will, and in its place and stead I substitute the following final wishes concerning my burial as follows:

- A. With careful thought and deliberation in accordance with my long held spiritual beliefs, I hereby instruct my family to conduct a full-body burial of me on my family's private property located at 1330 Boonville Road, Ukiah, California.
- B. My directions as set forth clearly and completely in this Codicil *must not* be altered, changed or otherwise amended in any material way. I direct that they be faithfully carried out upon my death, as specified under the authority of Health and Safety Code section 7100.1.
- C. I have written these instructions based on the fact that I have been told that the time of my death is near. I currently receive hospice care and reside at my home. I am of sound mind and not acting under duress, menace, fraud, misrepresentation or undue influence.

- D. The directions and instructions described herein are mine. They are based on my personal spiritual beliefs and practices which have guided me throughout my life. I direct that they be carried out.
- E. I base them on my fundamental right to privacy, as guaranteed in Article One, Section One, of the California Constitution. They are further based on the legal interpretations concerning fundamental rights as defined by the Supreme Court of California and the Supreme Court of the United States. No state interest or public health reason prohibits the burial of my body on my family's land, which is a 46 acre parcel in a rural and mountainous section of Mendocino County, other than recording a memorandum notice advising future owners that a unique condition exists on the my family's land.
- F. My wishes are further based on the fact that from the outset of our nation's history and before, human beings, as well as other large mammals, have been buried without prescription by governmental or religious organizations. There is no difference between burying a human body on rural land than there are cattle or a horse or any other mammal, large or small. It is important to know and understand that I have instructed my family not to bury me within 100 feet of any water way.
- G. If any legal objection is made regarding my specific and express wishes, I demand that I be buried first and any legal objections are resolved thereafter. I do not want my family to bear any emotional or other pain if I were to be disinterred or any unnecessary burden and/or cost of storing my body pending legal discussions.
- SECOND: In every other respect I hereby confirm and republish my Will dated January 25, 2012.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 26th day of February, 2013.

Carrie J. Hamburg.

The foregoing instrument, consisting of three (3) pages, including this page and the one signed by us as witnesses, was, at the date hereof, by CARRIE J. HAMBURG, signed as and declared to be her First Codicil to the Last Will and Testament, in the presence of us, who at her request and in her presence, and in the presence of each other, have subscribed our names as witnesses thereto.

Each of us observed the signing of this First Codicil to the Last Will and

Testament by CARRIE J. HAMBURG and by each other subscribing witness and knows
that each signature is the true signature of the person whose name was signed.

We are acquainted with CARRIE J. HAMBURG. At this time she is over the age of eighteen (18) years and, to the best of our knowledge, she is of sound mind and not acting under duress, menace, fraud, misrepresentation or undue influence.

We declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on this 26th day of 4bruary, 2013
at Ukiah, California.

John Achaeffer Residing at 2001 Doncan Springs Road Appland, CA 95449

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22		witness I could competently testify to	all the facts contained herein
23	3.	I am personally familiar with the entire	
24			Road, Ukiah, California. My familiarity
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my father. She personally selected a site for her grave. The location is 312 feet from a draw which rarely carries water and then only for a very short time after a significant rain. It is approximately 350 feet from the nearest boundary line of the homestead property.

- 5. Shortly before her death my mother asked, on several occasions, that I prepare her grave site at the location she previously identified and is described above.
- 6. She made it clear that it was extremely important to her that she be buried on our family's homestead where she had lived most of her life.
- 7. I was compelled and honored to meet her dying wish and create her final resting place in her chosen spot as she directed me to do, and as she set forth in the Codicil to her will.
- 8. The grave I dug for her at her behest is approximately 7 feet long, 5 feet deep, and 4.5 feet wide.
- 9. On March 14, 2013, my sister Laura Hamburg and I personally met with George Leinen, owner of Empire Mortuary in Ukiah, California. At our request, and pursuant to the information my sister and I know to be true based on our own personal knowledge, Mr. Leinen electronically prepared a Death Certificate and Application and Permit for Disposition of Human Remains for our mother. Exhibits "A" and "B," attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference contain the correct information about our mother that was provided to Mr. Leinen by my sister and me.

I declare the above to be true and correct and penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California.

Dated: May 26, 2013, at Ukiah, California.

KIRT HAMBURG

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21 22	1.	I am physician and surgeon having be	een issued License G51002, by the State of
23		California. I reside in Sonoma Coun	ty and practice medicine full time in Mendocino
24		County, California. My current person	nal curriculum vitae is attached to this
25		declaration and incorporated herein b	y reference.
26	2.	If called to testify in this matter I could	d competently testify to all the matters
27		contained herein, except as to those	based on information and belief, and as to
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DECLARATION OF DR. CHARLES EDWARD EVANS IN SUPPORT OF DECLARATORY RELIEF AND WRIT OF MANDATE

- 3. I am currently employed by Mendocino County and have been the Tuberculosis controller since 1995. In December 2012 I assumed the role of Communicable Disease Health Officer. I have been employed full time since January 1991 at the Ukiah Valley Medical Center as an Emergency Department physician and have served as the Emergency Department director since 1999.
- 4. My duties as Mendocino County Communicable Disease Health Officer include, but are not limited to, assessing and reporting on the health of the county using information received as a result of mandated disease reporting. I also provide medical expertise for mandated health protection including communicable disease and chronic disease as requested. As needed, I provide medical consultations in matters of assessment, policy development, assurance and priority settings related to public health.
- 5. In addition, I review, and with close attention carefully survey and monitor all reports of infections diseases received by the Public Health Department. No reports of any public health hazard or infectious disease of any kind have been received relative to any in-ground or crypt burial in Mendocino County.
- 6. Wild animals dying in water courses or cattle defecating in water courses are far more likely to cause infectious diseases than would whole body burials on rural parcels of real property.
- 7. It is common in rural counties, including Mendocino County, for owners and residents of rural real property to bury their deceased pets and other animals, including but not limited to canines, felines, equines, bovines, porcines, etc on their rural property. This is because there is no likelihood of infectious or other public health hazards as a result.

- 8. As in the burial of domestic and natural decay of wild animals, there is no public health or infectious disease liability or hazard that would require the burial of dead human bodies to be limited to a pre-identified cemetery as opposed to on a rural parcel of real property.
- Deceased humans buried at a depth of approximately three feet below the surface
 of the earth and more than 100 feet from a water course create virtually no
 likelihood of any public health problem or infectious disease.
- 10. In my professional opinion, no likelihood of any infectious disease or public health risk is created if the remains of a deceased human were to be buried on a rural 46 acre parcel of real property. A burial of a person encased in a pine box prior to burial that would further reduce the already diminimus likelihood of any infectious disease of public health risk.
- 11. On information and belief, I am informed and believe to be true that the Russian River Cemetery is a 27 acre parcel, located next to Ukiah High School on Low Gap Road in Ukiah; more than 16,000 people are buried there at approximately 18 inches below the surface of the earth. Ukiah High School has an average daily population of 1652 people. It is important to recognize and consider this information in considering public health and safety.

I declare the above to be true and correct under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California.

Dated: May 31, 2013 at Ukiah, California

CHARLES EDWARD EVANS M.D.

CURRICULUM VITAE

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EDUCATION

Undergraduate

University of California, Berkeley, BA with Honors in Health Arts And Sciences, Phi Beta Kappa (1973-1978)

Medical School

University of California, San Francisco, MD (1978-1982)

Residency

Community Hospital of Sonoma County, Family Practice Residency Program (1982-1985)

QUALIFICATIONS

Licensure

1983: Diplomate, National Board of Medical Examiners

1983-present: California State License #G051002

1988-1990: Kenya Medical License

SPECIALTY BOARD CERTIFICATION

American Board of Emergency Medicine, 1991, (recert 2001, 2011) American College of Emergency Physicians, fellow, 1994 American Board of Family Practice 1985, (recert 1994, 2001)

FACULTY APPOINTMENTS

Assistant Clinical Professor of Medicine, Department of Family and Community Medicine, UCSF (1986-1991)

Cost Containment Coordinator under Federal Health Manpower Grant (1986-1988)

CLINICAL EXPERIENCE

1983-1985—Attending Emergency Department Physician, Sonoma County Community Hospital

1985-1986—Attending Emergency Department Physician, Petaluma Valley Hospital

1986-1988—Practicing Family Physician including operative obstetrics, Faculty Practice Medical Group in Santa Rosa, Ca

CLINICAL EXPERIENCE (continued)

1988-1990—Medical Director, solo practicioner at Matoso Clinic (A rural health clinic with 28,000 visits per year in South Nyanza, Kenya.) 1991-present—Attending Emergency Department Physician, Ukiah Valley Medical Center

1995-1999—Attending Physician, Orthopedic Clinic at UVMC

1995-present— Tuberculosis Controller, Mendocino County Public Health

2012-present—Communicable Disease Health Officer, Mendocino County

MANAGEMENT EXPERIENCE

1986-1988—Faculty Advisor, Family Pracitce Residency Program, Santa Rosa, CA

1988-1990—Medical Director Matoso Clinic, South Nyanza, Kenya (29 Employees, oversight and care for rural population of 750,000)

1995-1999—Medical Director Urgent Care Clinic, Ukiah, CA

1998-2012—Medical Director of California Shock Trauma Air Rescue in Ukiah (CALSTAR—Air Ambulance providing service to Mendocino, Lake, and Sonoma counties)

1993-1998—Board of Directors, Pacific Redwood Medical Group 1998-present—Chief Executive Officer, Pacific Redwood Medical Group

2007-present—Chief Executive Officer, Pacific Redwood Medical Service 1999-2012—Chairman of Department of Emergency Medicine, Ukiah Valley Medical Center

2007- present—Medical Advisor, Amigos de las Americas

2012-present—Member of the Governing Board, UVMC

2012-present—Chief of Staff Elect, UVMC

EXPERT TESTIMONY

I have qualified and testified as an expert witness in the Superior Court of California for Mendocino and Sonoma Counties on numerous occasions over the past 25 years.

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

California Medical Association, Mendo-Lake Medical Society chapter American College of Emergency Physicians, California chapter

HOBBIES

Kayaking, cycling, woodworking, skiing, hiking, backpacking, and travel

LANGUAGES

Spanish, Luo

ENDORSED-FILED BARRY VOGEL (State Bar No. 60141) 1 Attorney at Law JUN = 3 2013280 N. Oak Street 2 Ukiah, CA 95482 CLERK OF MENDOCINO COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA 3 Telephone: (707) 462-6541 Fax: (707) 463-3253 JOHN LOZANO 1 Attorney for Executor 5 6 7 SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA 8 COUNTY OF MENDOCINO 9 10 **BURIAL RIGHTS** IN RE: Case No: SCUK CVPB '13 26080 11 ESTATE OF CARRIE J. HAMBURG 12 **DECLARATION OF** DR. MARVIN TROTTER 13 IN SUPPORT OF PETITION FOR DECLARATORY RELIEF AND WRIT OF 14 MANDATE 15 16 17 18 I, MARVIN TROTTER, do under oath declare: 19 20 1. I am physician and surgeon licensed by the State of California, having been issued 21 License No. G42597. 22 I am a resident of Mendocino County, currently employed and have been since 2. 23 June 2012, as the Chief Medical Officer of the Ukiah Valley Medical Center. I have 24 25 been employed by the Ukiah Valley Medical Center as a physician since 1986. 26 27 28 DECLARATION OF DR. MARVIN TROTTER

IN SUPPORT OF DECLARATORY RELIEF AND WRIT OF MANDATE

- I was previously employed for the half-time position as Officer of Public Health for Mendocino County from 1997 to 2009. I was trained in and remain familiar with all aspects of the duties of a California county Public Health Officer.
- 4. My duties as Public Health Officer for Mendocino County included, but were not limited to, surveying, monitoring and controlling infectious diseases within Mendocino, and signing the certificates of death for persons dying in Mendocino County. During my tenure as Public Health Officer for Mendocino County I reviewed and carefully monitored all reports of infections diseases received by the Public Health Department. No reports of any public health hazard or infectious disease of any kind were received relative to any in-ground or crypt burial in Mendocino County.
- 5. During my tenure as Officer of Public Health for Mendocino County I was concurrently employed half-time as an emergency room physician at the Ukiah Valley Medical Center. I returned to full time employment at the Ukiah Valley Medical Center upon the conclusion of my work as Public Health Officer.
- 6. After my tenure as Public Health Officer and as part of my current duties as Chief Medical Office of the Ukiah Valley Medical Center, I continue to monitor and track infectious diseases in Mendocino County.
- 7. At no time since I have lived and worked in Mendocino County has any reports of any public health hazard or infectious disease of any kind have been brought to my attention relative to any whole body in-ground burial or crypt burial in Mendocino County.

- 8. In my professional opinion no public health or infectious disease liability require the whole body burial of deceased Homo sapiens to be limited to an preexisting cemetery.
- 9. It is common in rural counties, including Mendocino County, for owners and residents of rural real property to bury their deceased pets and other animals, including but not limited to canines, felines, equines, bovines, porcines, etc on their rural property.
- 10. In my professional opinion, the burial of a human being, in a casket or in a shroud, three to five feet below the surface of the earth, would not cause infectious disease of other public health problem.
- 11. I am advised that the remains of Carrie J. Hamburg contained in a pine box, 75.5" long x 18" deep x 26" wide tapering to 17.5" at the head and 15" at the feet and located in a grave 7' x 3' x 4' deep, located more than 100 feet from the nearest seasonal water course.
- 12. Based on the location and manner in which the remains of Ms. Hamburg are buried I conclude that the likelihood of any infectious disease or public health problem occurring as a result of is diminimus. There is no cause for any concern of any kind as it relates of the public health of Mendocino County.
- 13. If called as a witness I could competently testify to all matters contained in this declaration.

I declare the above to be true and correct under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California.

Dated: May 21, 2013 at Ukiah, California.

MARVIN TROTTER, M.D.

- Jean Hamburg, also known as Carrie J. Hamburg. A true and correct working copy of this is incorporated herein by reference and attached hereto as Exhibit "A."
- 4. I electronically sent the Physician Attestation Copy of the Death Certificate to Dr. Russell I. Hardy, 260 Hospital Drive, Ste. 103, Ukiah, CA 95482. Shortly thereafter, on March 14, 2013, I reviewed and printed the "Physician Attestation Copy," on line at California Electronic Death Registration System website, signed by Dr. Hardy. A true and correct copy of thereof is incorporated herein by reference and attached hereto marked as Exhibit "B."
- 5. I then electronically created an "Application and Permit for Disposition of Human Remains," for Carol J. Hamburg, also known as Carrie J. Hamburg. A true and correct copy of thereof is incorporated herein by reference and attached hereto marked as Exhibit "C."
- 6. Both the Death Certificate and Application and Permit for Disposition of Human Remains were then electronically submitted on March 14, 2013 to the Mendocino County Vital Statistics Clerk's office for registration of the Death Certificate and issuance of the Permit for Disposition of Human Remains.
- 7. Shortly thereafter, on March 14, 2013 the registration of the Death Certificate and issuance of the Permit were rejected electronically by the Mendocino County Vital Statistics Clerk's office. A true and correct copy of said rejection is incorporated herein by reference and attached hereto marked as Exhibit "D."

I declare the above to be true and correct and penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California.

Dated: May 24, 2013, at Ukiah, California.

GEORGE LEINEN

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APPLICATION AND PERMIT FOR DISPOSITION OF HUMAN REMAINS

USE BLACK INK ONLY — MAKE NO ERASURES, WHITEOUTS, PHOTOCOPIES, OR OTHER ALTERATIONS 1A. NAME OF DECEDENT-FIRST 1B. MIDDLE CAROL JEAN HAMBURG 2. SEX 3. DATE OF BIRTH (MONTH, DAY, YEAR) 4. DATE OF DEATH (MONTH, DAY, YEAR) 5. (FETAL DEATH ONLY) DATE OF EVENT (MONTH, DAY, YEAR) 11/09/1946 03/05/2013 6A. CITY OF DEATH 6B. COUNTY OF DEATH—IF OUTSIDE OF CALIFORNIA, ENTER STATE UKIAH **MENDOCINO** 7A. NAME OF INFORMANT 7B. RELATIONSHIP TO DECEDENT 8A. TYPED NAME AND ADDRESS OF CALIFORNIA-LICENSED FUNERAL DIRECTOR OR PERSON ACTING AS SUCH—STREET NUMBER AND NAME, DAN HAMBURG 8B. CALIFORNIA LICENSE HUSBAND NUMBER-IF APPLICABLE 7C. INFORMANT'S FULL MAILING ADDRESS—STREET NUMBER AND NAME, CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE NONE 1330 BOONVILLE RD., UKIAH, CA 95482 DAN HAMBURG 1330 BÖÖNVILLE RD., UKIAH, CA 95482 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF APPLICANT—I hereby acknowledge as applicant that I have the right to control disposition pursuant to Health & Safety Code Section 7100, and that the disposition 9A. APPLICANT SIGNATURE 9B. DATE SIGNED stated herein is one of the dispositions authorized by Health & Safety Code Section 103055. 03/14/2013 PERMIT AND AUTHORIZATION OF LOCAL REGISTRAR—ANY CHANGE IN DISPOSITION REQUIRES A NEW PERMIT TO SHOW FINAL DISPOSITION This permit is issued in accordance with provisions of the California Health and Safety Code and is the authority for the disposition specified in this permit. NOTE: This permit gives no right of disposal outside 10B. DATE PERMIT ISSUED 10C. SIGNATURE OF LOCAL REGISTRAR ISSUING PERMIT \$ 11.00 10D. ADDRESS OF REGISTRAR OF DISTRICT OF DEATH—IF DEATH OCCURRED IN CALIFORNIA 10E. ADDRESS OF REGISTRAR OF DISTRICT OF DISPOSITION—IF DIFFERENT FROM 10D MENDOCINO HEALTH DEPARTMENT 1120 SOUTH DORA STREET UKIAH, CA 95482 11. AUTHORIZED DISPOSITION(S) FOR CORONER'S USE ONLY BURIAL 12A. NAME AND ADDRESS OF CALIFORNIA CEMETERY BURIAL OR 12B. DATE BURIED 12C. INTERMENT NUMBER-IF APPLICABLE SCATTERING IN A (INCLUDES ENTOMBMENT) 12D. SIGNATURE OF PERSON IN CHARGE OF BURIAL OR SCATTERING 13A. NAME AND ADDRESS OF CALIFORNIA CREMATORY 13B. DATE CREMATED 13C. CREMATION NUMBER—IF APPLICABLE CREMATION 13D. SIGNATURE OF PERSON IN CHARGE OF CREMATION 14A. NAME AND ADDRESS OF CALIFORNIA FACILITY RECEIVING REMAINS 14B, DATE RECEIVED SCIENTIFIC USE 14C. SIGNATURE OF PERSON IN CHARGE OF FACILITY 15A. NAME AND ADDRESS IN RECEIVING STATE OR COUNTRY WHERE REMAINS OR CREMATED REMAINS ARE TO BE SHIPPED 15B. NAME AND ADDRESS OF PERSON IN CHARGE OF PLACING WITH THE CARRIER TRANSIT 15C. SIGNATURE OF PERSON IN CHARGE OF PLACING WITH 15D. DATE SHIPPED THE CARRIER 16A. ADDRESS, NEAREST POINT ON SHORELINE, OR OTHER DESCRIPTION SUFFICIENT TO IDENTIFY FINAL PLACE AND CALIFORNIA DISTRICT OF DISPOSITION; IF BURIAL AT SEA, ONLY ENTER LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE 16B. DATE OF DISPOSITION 16C. LICENSE NUMBER OF CREMATED REMAINS DISPOSER—IF APPLICABLE SCATTERING/ BURIAL AT SEA OR PRIVATE PROPERTY: DAN HAMBURG, 1330 DISPOSITION OTHER THAN IN A BOONVILLE RD., UKIAH, CA 95482 CEMETERY 16D. SIGNATURE OF PERSON IN CHARGE OF SCATTERING OR BURIAL

UPON AUTHORIZATION OF PERMIT, DISTRIBUTE COPIES AS FOLLOWS:

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WERE SCATTERED AT SEA.*

COPY 2 - RETAINED BY PERSON IN CHARGE OF THE CEMETERY, CREMATORY, FACILITY FOR SCIENTIFIC USE, OR BY THE PERSON IN CHARGE OF DISPOSING OF THE CREMATED REMAINS.

COPY 3 - RETURN TO COUNTY OF DEATH WHEN THE REMAINS ARE DISPOSED OF IN ANOTHER DISTRICT. IF NOT APPLICABLE, COPY 3 MAY BE DISCARDED.*

* THE LOCAL REGISTRAR MAY DESTROY ANY ORIGINAL OR DUPLICATE PERMIT AFTER ONE YEAR FROM ISSUE DATE.

STATE OF CALIFORNIA, DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH, OFFICE OF VITAL RECORDS

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Record Options

Decedent Folder

The Decedent Folder provides an overview of the record's status and basic decedent information. Registration numbers are provided for

Decedent Information

Last Name : HAMBURG

Record Number: 2003068

LRN:

Paper: NOT PRINT

First Name : CAROL

DTN:

SFN:

Date of Death: 03/05/2013

PI Auth: NOT AUTH

Status Values

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REQUIRED SUBMISSIONS FOR COMPLETING THE APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY

- 1. Completed Certificate of Authority application with the filing fee of \$400.00.
- 2. A corporate resolution delegating authority to submit the application on behalf of the corporation.
- 3. A certified copy of your Articles of incorporation (may be obtained from the Secretary of State's web site located at www.ss.ca.gov/business).
- 4. Application for permit to sell and issue securities or permit to sell and issue securities. If not applicable, submit a statement that securities will not be sold or issued.
- 5. Application to the city or county planning commission for a cemetery use permit or rezoning for cemetery purposes, or a certified copy of a land use or zoning permit.
- 6. Declaration of dedication for cemetery purposes certified by the county recorder.
- 7. Deed to the property, contract of purchase or any other instrument which provides the applicant with merchantable title thereto.
- 8. Endowment care trust agreement executed by the board of directors of the cemetery authority.
- 9. A statement signed by a majority and verified by one of the directors of the applicant, which statement shall set forth the following eleven requirements:
 - A. Names and addresses of the incorporators, directors, officers, trustees of the endowment care fund, the cemetery broker and the designated cemetery manager, together with a statement of their experience and fitness to engage in the cemetery business.
 - B. Statement of compensation received or to be received by the officers, directors and sales agents and/or manager.
 - C. A complete and detailed financial statement showing assets, liabilities and reserve.
 - D. If the applicant is a new corporation, the statement shall designate the amount of stock subscribed, the consideration paid for all stock issued and the amount of promotional stock involved.
 - E. If the applicant has engaged in business for a period of time, the statements shall include complete operating profit and loss statements for the preceding three (3) years, or such period of time as the applicant has been in business if less than three years.
 - F. An itemized statement of estimated receipts (from all sources, capitalization, sales, loans, etc.) and expenditures of the applicant for at least five (5) years or such other period as the Bureau may require by written notice to the applicant.
 - G. A statement setting forth the size, location and topography of, and water available for, the property to be used for cemetery purposes.
 - H. A statement of the applicant's proposed plan of operation, which shall include type of selling, approximate size of sales department, along with number of acres initially developed.
 - I. A statement of the amount deposited to the Endowment Care Fund, type of investment made or to be made and the proposed rate of contribution for the future.
 - J. An independent confirmation from the depository or other such proof of deposit of the initial contribution of \$35,000.00 to the endowment care fund as required by Health and Safety Code (HSC) § 8738.1.
 - K. A \$50,000.00 Fidelity bond coverage for Endowment and Special Care Fund Trustees, (HSC § 8734).
- 10. Submit Certification Affidavit's for all officers and trustees.
- 11. Verification of publication of change of ownership (if applicable).
- 12. Once all required documents have been submitted and approved by the Bureau, a field representative will inspect your cemetery before final approval is given and a Certificate of Authority license issued.

As part of the inspection process, the field representative will review your cemetery maps. Please have available for inspection a copy of the map(s) that have been filed with the county recorder for retention by the field representative. Upon completion of a satisfactory inspection, the field representative will submit the maps to the Cemetery and Funeral Bureau in accordance with the licensing requirement.



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Note: The information solicited on this form is required pursuant to Business and Professions Code Sections 9702.1 and 9715. All items in this application are mandatory; none are voluntary, unless indicated. Failure to provide any of the requested information will result in the application being considered incomplete, (incomplete applications are subject to abandonment one year from the date the applicant is notified of deficiencies). All information provided will be used to determine qualification for licensure, per the Business and Professions Code Section that authorizes the collection of this information. Per California Civil Code Section 1798.17, (Information Practice Act), the Chief of the Cemetery and Funeral Bureau is responsible for maintaining information in this application. This information may be transferred to other governmental and enforcement agencies. Individuals have the right to review the records maintained on them by the agencies, unless the records are exempt by Section 1798.40 of the Civil Code. Requests for information may be addressed to The Custodian of Records, Bureau Chief, Cemetery and Funeral Bureau, 1625 North Market Blvd., Suite S-208, Sacramento, CA 95834, (916) 574-7870.

Effective July 1, 2012, the State Board of Equalization and the Franchise Tax Board may share taxpayer information with the bureau. You are obligated to pay your state tax obligation and your license may be suspended if the state tax obligation is not paid per Business and Professions Code Section 31(e).



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Section 30 of the Business and Professions Code and Public Law 94-455 (42 U.S.C.A. 405 (c)(2)(c)) authorizes the collection of your Social Security Number (SSN). The disclosure of your SSN is mandatory. The information will be used exclusively for tax enforcement purposes and for purposes of compliance with Section 11350.6 of the Welfare and Institutions Code. If you fail to disclose your SSN, you will be reported to the Franchise Tax Board, which may assess a \$100.00 penalty against you. Questions regarding this requirement must be directed to the Franchise Tax Board: So. California (800) 852-7050, No. California (800) 852-5711, or Sacramento at (916) 369-0500.

BARRY VOGEL (State Bar No. 60141) 1 Attorney at Law 280 N. Oak Street Ukiah, CA 95482 3 Telephone: (707) 462-6541 4 Fax: (707) 462-3253 5 Attorney for Executor -- Petitioner 6 7 SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA 8 COUNTY OF MENDOCINO 9 IN RE ESTATE OF CARRIE HAMBURG, 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 Code sections 450, et seq. 25 26 27 28

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CLERK OF MENDOSING SOUNTY SUPERIOR COURT OF GALIFORNIA

JOHN LOZANO

Case No. SCUK-CVPB-13-26080

REQUEST FOR JUDICIAL NOTICE

Executor-Petitioner through his attorney of record, requests that the Court take judicial notice pursuant to Evidence Code sections 450, et seq., and California Rules of Court, Rule 3.1306, of the contents of its file *In the Matter of Jay Baker's Request For* Burial Permit, Case No. SCUK CVPT-01 84961, and also the contents of its file In the Matter of Request For Burial Permit By Christopher Tebbutt And Stephanie Tebbutt On Behalf Of Their Daughter Oona Miriam Tebbutt, Case No. SCUK CVPT-02 87582. Executor-Petitioner, specifically requests judicial notice of the Court's Orders granting each Request for Burial Permit, dated January 5, 2001 and March 20, 2002, respectively. Executor-Petitioner also requests that the Court take judicial notice pursuant to Evidence

Pursuant to California Evidence Code Section 453, this Court "shall take judicial notice of any matter specified in Section 452 if a party requests it and: (a) Gives each adverse party sufficient notice of the request, through the pleadings or otherwise, to enable such adverse party to prepare to meet the request; and (b) Furnishes the court with

1	sufficient information to enable it to take judicial notice of the matter." In compliance			
2	therewith, Executor-Petitioner respectfully requests this Court take judicial notice of the			
3	requested court files, orders therein, and regulations.			
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SUPERIOR COURT FOR THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF MENDOCING COUNTY ARENA BRANCH

IN THE MATTER OF JAY BAKER'S REQUEST FOR BURIAL PERMIT.

Case No. SCUK CVPT 010084961 Order on Request for Burial Permit

Pursuant to the investigation summarized in the attached declaration of Kelli C. Mason.

Pursuant to the final stated wishes of Jay D. Baker as set forth in the attached declaration (treated as a petition),

The Local Registrar of Vital Statistics, Mendocino County Public Health Department, is directed to issue a permit honoring said request under the authority of Health and Safety Code Section 103055.

The Local Registrar may place reasonable conditions on said permit pursuant to the provisions of subsection (b) of Health and Safety Code section 103055, or in keeping with public sensibilities, applicable laws and reasonable assurances that the disposition will be carried out in accordance with the prescribed conditions and will not constitute a private or public nuisance.

So Ordered.

Dated: January 5, 2001

JAY D. BAKER

GENERAL CONTRACTOR LICENSE #261777 P.O. BOX 589 38820 SOUTH HIGHWAY ONE GUALALA, CA 95445 (707) 884-3503 FAX (707) 884-1308

January 2, 2001

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To whom it may concern:

CLERK OF MENDOCATIO COUNTY SUPERIOR COUNTY OF CALIFORNIA

I, Jay D. Baker, would like to make this statement of my final wishes concerning my burial. In the past, my family has been buried in Annapolis, CA and I planned the same for me. With much thought and deliberation, I have decided that I want to be buried on my private property located at 38820 S. Highway One, APN 145-183-19, Gualala, California otherwise known as Bakertown. I am not requesting a family plot, only my gravesite. The northwest corner of the property, inside the perimeter fence bordering Sedalia and Hubert, is the location I have chosen. I would like a full-body burial, as I

Bakertown, and what it stands for, means more to me than words can express. It has been my life's work. I cannot think of another place I would rather reside for all

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We, the undersigned, have witnessed the signing of this document by Jay D. Baker.

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JAY BAKER TRUE VALUE HARDWARE

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She suggested I contact the Department of Consumer Affairs, Cemetery & Funeral Bureau, which I had already done, and also the Planning Department in the event they have restrictions

Alan Falleri Chief Planner Mendocino County Planning Department 501 Low Gap Rd. Ukiah, CA 95482 707/463-4281

Alan Falleri imparted the following information:

- I asked if they had any codes pertaining to burial on private property, such as a fence around the gravesite, a 30 foot setback from the property line, etc. He said that they do not have any regulations for burial on private
- He recommended I contact Department of Consumer Affairs, Cemetery & Funeral Bureau, which I had already done.

In summary, I feel I have taken the necessary steps to thoroughly research this issue. Although Health & Safety Code #7054 discourages burial on private property, it has been done with permits from Vital Statistics. Ron DeMaderios of the Consumer Affairs Cemetery and Funeral Bureau advised us as to the course we might take in obtaining a permit, such as contacting Vital Statistics and requesting permission from a judge. The Planning Department does not have any regulations pertaining to this matter. The Public Health Vital Statistics Department will issue a Permit for Burial of Human Remains upon presentation of a death certificate and judge's order/permission.

I thank you for your time and consideration of this statement, which has been prepared to the best of my knowledge

Sincerely,

Kelli C. Mason

JAY BAKER TRUE VALUE HARDWARE

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December 29, 2000

My name is Kelli C. Mason. I work for Jay D. Baker as his personal assistant/office manager/secretary. Jay expressed a strong desire to be buried on his private property located at 38820 S. Highway One, Gualala, Mendocino County, California and asked me to research the issue. Jay is not open to the idea of cremation, therefore, he is requesting a full-body burial. He does not wish to have a family plot, only his remains buried at the site. The purpose of this statement is to document my findings, which I have described below to the best of my recollection and understanding.

Ron DeMaderios Field Representative Department of Consumer Affairs Cemetery & Funeral Bureau 400 R Street, #3040 Sacramento, CA 95814 916/322-7737

I spoke with Ron DeMaderios on three different occasions and obtained the following information:

- Ron DeMaderios is a field representative in the State of California for Department of Consumer Affairs, Cemetery & Funeral Bureau.
- He referenced Health & Safety Code #7054, which discourages full-body burials on private property. He indicated that it has been done with a permit for the interment through the Vital Statistics Department, which in our case is the Mendocino County Public Health Vital Statistics in Ukiah, CA.
- Ron asked the location of the future gravesite, which we decided will be on the northwest corner of the property
 inside the perimeter fence. His concern was regarding the possibility of a subdivision falling in the location of the
 buildings.
- He recommended we obtain permission from a judge, which would be used along with a death certificate in acquiring a permit for the burial.
- Recently, Ron has had several interments on private property all over California, including Santa Cruz and Napa. Permits were issued by Vital Records.

Rosemary Rodriguez
Deputy Registrar
Mendocino County Public Health Vital Statistics
890 N. Bush St.
Ukiah, CA 95482
707/463-4134

I spoke with Rosemary Rodriguez on a couple of occasions and obtained the following information:

- Rosemary Rodriguez is the Deputy Registrar for the Public Health Vital Statistics Department in Mendocino County.
- She confirmed that they are the agency which issues the Permit for Burial of Human Remains. They would need Jay's death certificate and the judge's order before they could issue the permit. This would be their only involvement in our case.

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SUPERIOR COURT FOR THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF MENDOCINO

IN THE MATTER OF REQUEST FOR BURIAL PERMIT BY CHRISTOPHER TEBBUTT AND STEPHANE TEBBUTT ON BEHALF OF THEIR DAUGHTER OONA MIRIAM TEBBUTT CASENO. SCUK-CUPT- 02.82582

ORDER ON REQUEST FOR BURIAL. PERMIT

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> Pursuant to the Petition for Issuance of Burial Permit filed by Christopher and Stephanie Tebbutt on behalf of their daughter, Oona Miriam Tebbutt

Pursuant to the investigation summarized in the attached declaration of Sharon F. Duggan.

Pursuant to the stated wishes of Christopher Tebbutt and Stephanie Tebbutt, husband and wife and parents of Oona Miriam Tobbutt, as set forth in the Application for Request for Burial Permit.

The Local Registrar of Vital Statistics, Mendocino County Public Health Department, is directed to issue a permit honoring said request under the authority of Health and Safety Code Section 103055

The Local Registrar may place reasonable conditions on said permit pursuant to the provisions of subsection (b) of Health and Safety Code section 103055, or in keeping with public sensibilities, applicable laws and reasonable assurances that the disposition will be carried out in accordance with the prescribed conditions and will not constitute a public or private nuisance.

SO ORDERED

Dated: March ZQ 2002

Hon. Eric L. Labowitz

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Attorney for Christopher and Stephanie Tebbutt

SUPERIOR COURT FOR THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF MENDOCINO

IN THE MATTER OF REQUEST FOR BURIAL PERMIT BY CHRISTOPHER TEBBUTT AND STEPHANIE TEBBUTT ON BEHALF OF THEIR DAUGHTER OONA MIRIAM TEBBUTT CASE NO. 5CUK-CUPT-02-87582

PETITION FOR ISSUANCE OF BURIAL PERMIT

- 1. Christopher Tebbutt and Stephanie Tebbutt, as the married parents of Oona
 Miriam Tebbutt, hereby petition this Court for an Order directing the Mendocino County Health
 Department to issue a Burial Permit for private burial on their land, located at 11800 Anderson
 Valley Way, in Boonville, California. This petition is based upon the following facts and law.
- 2. Christopher and Stephanie Tebbutt are residents of Mendocino County, and owners of real property located at 11800 Anderson Valley Way, Boonville, California.
- 3. Oona Miriam Tebbutt was born on February 22, 2002 in San Francisco, California at the Pacific Medical Center. Oona Miriam Tebbutt was born without sufficient kidney and lung function for her survival. Oona Miriam Tebbutt was released from the Pacific Medical Center on March 13, 2002 into the care of her parents, and with the assistance of the hospice program. Oona Miriam Tebbutt is now at home with her parents at 11800 Anderson Valley Way in Boonville, California.
- 4. Oona Miriam Tebbutt is expected to die at any time now. Christopher and Stephanie Tebbutt petition the Court for burial of Oona Miriam Tebbutt on their real property at 11800 Anderson Valley Way, APN 046-170-70, Boonville, California. The northwest corner of

Petition for Issuance of Burial Permit

the property, which is completely away from roadway or highway, is the location we have chosen. Christopher and Stephanie Tebbutt would like a full-body burial. The zoning of the 2 property is such that subdivision of the land is not a possibility. Christopher and Stephanie 3 Tebbutt intend to protect the burial site in perpetuity. 4 The Mendocino County Health Department is authorized and required to issue a 5 burial permit for internment on private land if a Court so orders. Such burial is authorized 6 pursuant to Health and Safety Code section 103055. 7 WHEREFORE, Christopher and Stephanic Tebbutt pray for relief as follows: 8 1. For an Order Granting this Petition for Issuance of a Burial Permit, directing the 9 Mendocino County Health Department to issue a burial permit to Christopher Tebbutt and 10 Stephanie Tebbutt for their daughter, Oona Miriam Tebbutt, authorizing Christopher and 11 Stephanie Tebbutt to bury their infant daughter, Oona Miriam Tebbutt, on their private land, 12 located at 11800 Anderson Valley Way, APN 046-170-70 in Boonville, Mendocino County, 13 California. 14 Respectfully submitted, DATED: March 20, 2002 15 16 Sharon E 17 Attorney for Christopher and Stephanie Tebbutt 18 19 I do hereby certify under penalty of perjury that the document to 20 be filed is the full, complete and unaltered facsimile produced document 21 22 received. 23 Dated: 3/20/02 24 Fax Filing Agent 25 26

Petition for Issuance of Burial Permit

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Attorney for Christopher and Stephanie Tebbutt

SUPERIOR COURT FOR THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF MENDOCINO

IN THE MATTER OF REQUEST FOR BURIAL PERMIT BY CHRISTOPHER TEBBUTT AND STEPHANIE TEBBUTT ON BEHALF OF THEIR DAUGHTER OONA MIRIAM TEBBUTT

CASE NO. SCUK-CVPT-02.87582

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To whom it may concern:

We, Christopher Tebbutt and Stephanie Tebbutt are the married parents of Oona Miriam Tebbutt and would like to make this statement of and application for final wishes concerning the burial of our infant daughter, born on February 22, 2002. Oona was born without sufficient kidney and lung function for her survival. She is expected to die at any time now, and has been in our personal care with the assistance of hospice care since her release from the hospital on March 13, 2002. We would like to bury her on our property at 11800 Anderson Valley Way, APN 046-170-70, Boonville, California. The northwest corner of the property, which is completely away from roadway or highway, is the location we have chosen. We would like a full-body burial.

Our land in Boonville is our home, and means more to us than a place of residence. Over the past twenty years, we have made it our life's work, as a place of solace and a model of restoration.

We make this application with intention to honor the life of our daughter, and to protect the burial site in perpetuity.

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Application for Request for Burial Permit/Declaration

FROM : NDC PHONE NO. : 16503443393 Mar. 19 2002 05:13PM P1 Sent By: PUBLIC INTEREST LAWYERS CHOUP; 15100471808; Respectfully submitted, Dated: March 20, 2002 Spraft Served . 15 Application for Request for Burial Permit/Declaration

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DECLARATION OF SHARON E. DUGGAN IN SUPPORT OF APPLICATION FOR BURIAL PERMIT

- I, SHARON E. DUGGAN, do declare and if called as a witness would testify as follows:
- I am an attorney licensed to practice in the State of California and am an attorney for Christopher Tebbutt and Stephanie Tebbutt. Christopher and Stephanie have expressed a strong desire to bury their infant daughter, Oona Miriam Tebbutt, on their family land located at 11800 Anderson Valley Way in Boonville, Mendocino County, California. They asked me to research the issue. The purpose of this statement is to document my findings, which I describe below to the best of my recollection and based upon notes that I took while conducting this investigation. I conducted my research on March 10-20, 2002.
- 2. I first spoke with Rosemary Rodriquez of the Mendocino County Health
 Department, 707-463-4136. Rosemary Rodriquez is the Deputy Registrar for the Public Health
 Vital Statistics Department in Mendocino County. Her office is located at 890 N. Bush Street,
 Ukiah, California, 95482. She informed me that her agency issues the Permit for Burial of
 Human Remains. She advised me that she would need a death certificate and either the
 paperwork from a cometery or a court order authorizing burial before her agency would issue the
 permit. She advised me on two separate occasions that a burial on one's property can occur
 pursuant to a Court order, and that there is precedent for such an order in Mendocino County.
 She told me that her agency would be bound by the Court order, and that would be the only
 involvement by her agency in the matter. She encouraged me to contact the California
 Department of Consumer Affairs, Cemetery & Funeral Bureau.
- 3. I then spoke with Dorie at the California Department of Consumer Affairs, Cemetery & Funeral Bureau in Sacramento, (916) 322-7737. She advised me to review the website for her agency, at www.dca.ca.gov/cemetery. I did this and subsequently called her again. She was unavailable so I spoke with Paulette McDonald. She referred me to Health & Safety Code section 7054 which discourages full-body burials on private property. She faxed me a document that describes this provision. It also refers inquiries to Ron DeMaderios, Cemetery

Application for Request for Burial Permit/Declaration

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Field Representative, State of California for Department of Consumer Affairs, Cemetery & Funeral Bureau. Ms. McDonald advised me that any private burial on one's lands would be subject to permit from Vital Statistics, and that one could obtain a court order for such a permit.

- 4. I attempted to contact Mr. DeMaderios, but without success. I am aware, having researched how to obtain a court order for a burial permit, that he has previously advised that a permit for internment could be obtained from the Vital Statistics Department, and that permission from a judge can be obtained, which would be used along with a death certificate in acquiring a permit for the burial. Mr. De Maderios has advised as recently as a year ago that there have been several internments on private property in California, including in Santa Cruz and Napa Counties. Permits were issued by Vital Records departments for those counties.
- 6. I have also spoken with Dennis Chaty, a planner for the Mendocino County Planning Department. His office is located at 501 Low Gap Road in Ukiah, California 95482. His phone number is 707-463-4281. The County does not presently have a Chief Planner. I asked him if the County had any codes pertaining to burial on private property, such as a fence around the gravesite, a setback from the property line, or any other physical requirements. He said they the County does not have regulations for burial on private property or for family burial plots. He advised me to contact the County Health Department, which I had already done.
- 7. In summary, I believe I have taken the necessary steps to thoroughly research the issue of burial of Oona Miriam Tebbutt on her family's land. Although Health & Safety Code section 7054 discourages burial on private property, it has been done with permits from Vital Statistics. Rosemary Rodriquez of the Vital Statistics for Mendocino county advised us as to the course we might take in obtaining a permit. This was confirmed by representatives from the Department of Consumer Affairs, Cemetery and Funeral Bureau. The Planning Department does not have any regulations pertaining to this matter. The Public Health Vital Statistics Department will issue a Permit for Burial of Human Remains upon presentation of a death certificate and judge's order/permission.

Application for Request for Burial Permit/Declaration

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct and that this Second. declaration was issued on March 20, 2002. Sharon E. Duggan I do hereby certify under penalty of perjury that the document to be filed is the full, complete and unaltered facsimile produced document received. Dated: 3/20/02 THE FOREGOING INSTRUMENT IS A CORRECT COPY OF THE ORIGINAL ON FILE IN THIS OFFICE. TANIA G. UGRIN-CAPOBIANCO CLERK/ADMINISTRATOR SUPERIOR COURT COUNTY OF MENDOCINO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA attiment and