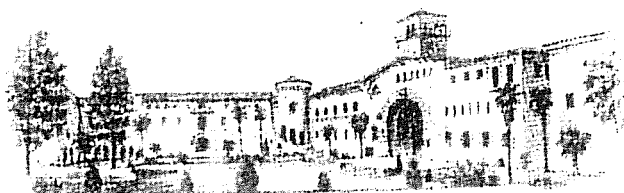


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# COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA CALIFORNIA

## RESOLUTION OF COMMENDATION IN THE MATTER OF HONORING THE COUNTY COUNSEL LITIGATION PARALEGAL TEAM EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH, COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA, JULY 2010

**WHEREAS**, The Office of County Counsel nominates, as employee of the month for July, 2010, our Litigation Paralegal Team: Sue Collisson, D'Ann Marvin, Romana Ramirez, and Natalie Warwick—for their perseverance and successful endeavors in the case of *Cotton vs. County of Santa Barbara*; and

**WHEREAS**, in this case, now in its 8th year, plaintiffs sued 28 individual County defendants, filed separate federal and state lawsuits, served 104 document demands and 283 interrogatories, took 24 depositions, culminating in three separate trial dates that were all continued at the last minute, and finally a Federal jury trial victory in Los Angeles during which 15 County employees testified, which the plaintiffs are now appealing to the Ninth Circuit for the second time despite never prevailing on a single claim; and

**WHEREAS**, Sue Collisson, whose obsession to be precise and her medical background earn her the moniker of "Dr. Stickler," aka "The Grammar Goddess"; and

**WHEREAS**, D'Ann Marvin, whose refusal to accept any excuses by reluctant witnesses claiming they don't want to appear in L.A. is now known as "The Enforcer"; and

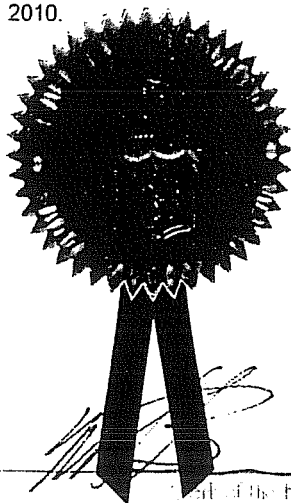
**WHEREAS**, Natalie Warwick, through guile, and Facebook successfully locates all witnesses such that she is now known as "The Huntress"; and

**WHEREAS**, Romana "Mona" Ramirez, through her wizardry of litigation technology, makes exhibits appear and video depositions be edited, such that we now call her "The Techy"; and

**WHEREAS**, Sue, D'Ann, Mona, and Natalie all demonstrate care, concern, and loyalty to the attorneys they guide and the County they defend.

**THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HEREBY** recognizes SUE COLLISSON, D'ANN MARVIN, ROMANA RAMIREZ, and NATALIE WARWICK as employees of the month of July 2010.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California this 6th day of July, 2010.



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