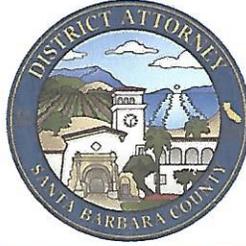


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Re: *Public Service Announcement*

Santa Barbara County District Attorney Joyce E. Dudley announced today the release of a Public Service Announcement as part of the "District Attorney's Office Anti-Workers Compensation Fraud" program. This Public Service Announcement comes at no cost to Santa Barbara County. It was created by the Santa Barbara County District Attorney's office with State funds in an effort to reduce pay outs for fraudulent Workers Compensation claims in Santa Barbara County.

The 30-second Public Service Announcement will be broadcast throughout Santa Barbara County. According to District Attorney Dudley, "The purpose of this Public Service Announcement is to raise awareness about Workers Compensation fraud, its impact on all of our lives and how to report a potential violation. Workers Compensation fraud is an escalating statewide problem which includes fraudulent claims by workers, medical providers and fraud committed by employers who fail to provide Workers Compensation Insurance. Further, Workers Compensation Fraud has had an impact on our local governmental, and non-profit agencies as well as small businesses and individuals."

District Attorney Dudley concluded by noting that, "All of the costs associated with the production and presentation of this Public Service Announcement came from grant funding from the State of California under the guidance of the California Department of Insurance and the Workers Compensation Fraud Assessment Commission."

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