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RE: *People v. Mendoza*
Criminal Case No. S143743
Stanislaus Superior Court, Case No. 1034046

Frank A. McGuire Clerk
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Dear Mr. McGuire:

This case is scheduled for oral argument on October 6, 2015. This Court has asked counsel for the parties to advise the court and opposing counsel of those issues on which counsel expects to focus their arguments.

Counsel for respondent has not independently identified any focus issues for argument. Instead, I will be prepared to address any focus issues specified by counsel for appellant and to answer any questions posed by the Court at oral argument.

Sincerely,

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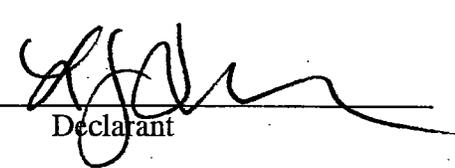
On September 15, 2015, I served the attached **FOCUS ISSUES LETTER DATED SEPTEMBER 14, 2015 and APPEARANCE SHEET** by placing a true copy thereof enclosed in a sealed envelope in the internal mail collection system at the Office of the Attorney General at 1300 I Street, Suite 125, P.O. Box 944255, Sacramento, CA 94244-2550, addressed as follows:

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I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California the foregoing is true and correct and that this declaration was executed on September 15, 2015, at Sacramento, California.


Declarant