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Ms. Leslie Dutton Mr. T.J. Johnston 332 Washington Blvd., Suite #1 Marina Del Rey, Ca. 90292

Dear Leslie and T.J.,

The Association of Deputy District Attorneys is proud to partner with Orange County Sheriff Mike Carona and Los Angeles County Sheriff Lee Baca as a Co-Sponsor for the upcoming Citizen's Protection Alliance training conference on gang prosecution titled "Gangs, Drugs and Immigration". Our Board reviewed the training conference's impressive list of topics and experts and feel it would be a valuable educational experience for law enforcement. As we have discussed, it is our goal to encourage the California District Attorneys Association to agree to extend its authority to grant prosecutors state bar MCLE credits.

There is no greater threat facing Southern California than that of criminal street gangs. By recognizing the interplay of drug trafficking and immigration as they impact the challenge of combating street gangs, you do law enforcement a great service. The only way for law enforcement to be effective in this fight is through law enforcement unity. By bringing prosecutors and peace officers together in such an event, you will greatly foster a sense of unity often missing when we train separately.

The Association of Deputy District Attorneys, on behalf of the prosecutors of the country's largest district attorney's office, is honored to represent "prosecutors" as a cosponsor of this significant event. The Association of Deputy District Attorneys encourages prosecutors to support and attend this one of a kind and important conference. Please contact me if there is any additional way in which we can be of assistance.

Sincerely,

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Steve Ipsen ADDA President