

August 23, 2016

The Honorable Clifford Newell, District Attorney Nevada County District Attorney's Office 201 Commercial Street Nevada City, CA 95959

Re: Grant Award for Workers' Compensation Insurance Fraud for Fiscal Year 2016-2017

Dear District Attorney Newell:

I am pleased to report that for Fiscal Year 2016-2017, \$34,951,831 is available to distribute to 37 District Attorney Offices representing 44 counties. **Nevada County** has been awarded **\$75,049** for the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Workers' Compensation Insurance Fraud Program. This grant award is to be used for the investigation and prosecution of workers' compensation insurance fraud.

The decision to grant these funds was made by my Department, in consultation with the Fraud Assessment Commission. Each application for grant funding was thoroughly reviewed, with consideration given to the goals and objectives set by me and the Fraud Assessment Commission.

It is my continuing intent that these funds be used effectively to pursue and investigate fraud across California. It is also important to focus resources in areas of fraud that have a continuing fiscal impact on the workers' compensation system. Medical provider insurance fraud should continue to be a priority of this program. To that end, for Fiscal Year 2016-17, I ask that you separately track investigations, arrests, convictions, and restitution efforts for medical provider fraud. Future grant applications will require you to report these figures.

Thank you for your efforts in submitting your application for grant funding. Please feel free to contact Bureau Chief Laureen Pedroza at (916) 854-5810 if you want to discuss your application and award. I look forward to working together with you in our continuing pursuit against workers' compensation insurance fraud.

Sincerely,

DAVE JONES
Insurance Commissioner

cc: Mr. Randall Billingsley, Chief DA Investigator