



# Superior Court of California County of Sacramento

TALMADGE R. JONES  
Judge

February 15, 2001

Mr. Guy Wentzel  
Wentzel Flying Service  
112 Keller Circle  
Folsom, CA 95630

Re: Cremated Remains 2 Cases, J.C.C.P. No. 4078 (Hoeffner v. Vieira)

Dear Mr. Wentzel:

On behalf of the court I would like to express my appreciation to you for the professional services you have provided the Class in the above-captioned case.

You were originally appointed by Judge Lewis to conduct air scatterings on May 12, 1998. On June 7, 1999, you were appointed by me to complete additional court requested scatterings of those decedents whose families had selected Sierra air scatterings.

In April of 2000, the court had to make a determination of the most cost effective and appropriate method of scattering the 1,170 unclaimed remains still left in the custody of the Receiver. At the urging of class counsel, I agreed to consider scattering by Wentzel's Flying Service instead of scattering all the remains at sea by boat.

You agreed to cut your already reasonable fee and meet the sea scattering price. I understand that this pricing agreement did little more than pay for your cost of operation. I understand from class counsel that you and your family members assisted without charge in the reconciliation and repackaging of remains in the Receiver's possession.

You accomplished all of the scatterings in four weeks, a monumental task considering the weather and the distance to be covered. The final scattering of the last remains occurred by air at Pismo Beach. Plaintiffs' class counsel personally witnessed many of the scatterings. Mr. Brown has reported to me that all of these scatterings were carried out in a respectful manner.

In the court's opinion, your efforts, experience, and professionalism were indispensable in discharging the final responsibility to complete the scattering in a safe and dignified manner.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Talmadge R. Jones", written over a horizontal line.

Talmadge R. Jones  
Judge of the Superior Court

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