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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

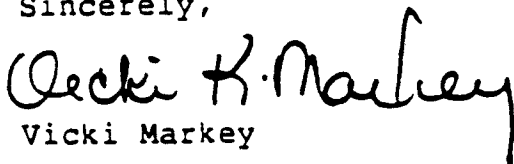
In 1985 the County of San Diego hired the Institute for Law and Policy Planning (ILPP) to study the causes of jail overcrowding and recommend options for reducing our critically overcrowded jail and honor camp system.

At the time this study was undertaken I was the Deputy Chief Probation Office in charge of five minimum security jails. I participated in the ILPP study and the discussions that followed. As a Key County Manager I was involved in implementing many of the ILPP recommendations and tracking the impact of actions taken. Also as a result of ILPPs recommendations our County contracted with the San Diego Association of Governments to produce a quarterly jail population management study that identifies where population problems are emerging and permits County staff to respond quickly.

The San Diego County jail population jumped at one point to over 400% of capacity. It is now at less than 150% of capacity as release programs have been expanded. Many of these release and inmate processing options were identified as part of the ILPP work in this County.

I believe the ILPP study and the process utilized by ILPP to collect and analyze data was excellent. To this day we are receiving benefits from the work done by Allan Karmanoff and his ILPP team.

Sincerely,

  
Vicki Markey