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COUNTY of SANTA BARBARA

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SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA
IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA

PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA,
Plaintiff,
vs.
MICHAEL JOE JACKSON,
Defendant.

Case No. 1133603

ORDER RE "SAFE HARBOR" PROPOSALS

The court has reviewed the proposals for modification of the Protective Order, which were submitted by the parties on Tuesday, January 20, 2004. Neither proposal appears to be satisfactory. The suggestion by the prosecution is unacceptably cumbersome, and the suggestion by the defense is unacceptably broad.

The court remains interested in the concept advanced of permitting public statements to be made for the purpose of helping to quell unfounded rumors that may circulate with regard to the case, and invites the parties to reconsider their proposals and submit them for consideration at the February 13, 2004 hearing already scheduled.

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In the interim, if either side perceives a need to make a statement contrary to the provisions of the present Protective Order, the specific need may be addressed by ex-parte application to the court via conference call, including opposing counsel, or in writing in accordance with the usual rules.

DATED: January 23, 2004



RODNEY S. MELVILLE
Judge of the Superior Court

PROOF OF SERVICE
1013A(1)(3), 1013(c) CCP

STATE OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA:

I am a citizen of the United States of America and a resident of the county aforesaid. I am employed by the County of Santa Barbara, State of California. I am over the age of 18 and not a party to the within action. My business address is 312-H East Cook Street, Santa Maria, California.

On JANUARY 23, 2004, I served a copy of the attached ORDER RE: "SAFE HARBOR" PROPOSALS addressed as follows:

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By faxing true copies thereof to the receiving fax numbers of: 805-568-2398 (DISTRICT ATTORNEY); 213-625-1600 (MARK GERAGOS, ESQ.); 213-729-7520 (GIBSON, DUNN & CRUTCHER). Said transmission was reported complete and without error. Pursuant to California Rules of Court 2005(1), a transmission report was properly issued by the transmitting facsimile machine and is attached hereto.

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By placing true copies thereof enclosed in a sealed envelope with postage fully prepaid, in the United States Postal Service mail box in the City of Santa Maria, County of Santa Barbara, addressed as above. That there is delivery service by the United States Postal Service at the place so addressed or that there is a regular communication by mail between the place of mailing and the place so addressed.

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By leaving a true copy thereof at their office with their clerk therein or the person having charge thereof.

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I certify under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed this 23RD day of JANUARY, 2004, at Santa Maria, California.

Carrie L. Wagner
CARRIE L. WAGNER