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To: CommAsst
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Commissioners:

I am writing regarding your 12/15/16 agenda. Included in that agenda is Contra Costa County District Attorney Mark Peterson, who was found to have used his campaign funds for his own personal use.

I am asking that a full hearing take place on 12/15/16, considering the abuse of funds that took place for 4 years, while knowing it was illegal.

Mr. Mark Peterson is an elected official, responsible for and representing Contra Costa County in the prosecution of criminal offenses, and is the chief **law** enforcement officer and legal officer of that jurisdiction. Mr. Peterson is intimately involved in the prosecution of each criminal case in his jurisdiction and his job is to rectify wrongdoings committed. Mr. Peterson is the same criminal his office prosecutes.

Mr. Mark Peterson would have continued to use his campaign funds as his own personal slush fund had he not been caught due to an audit. Now he apologizes knowing that he was in full violation of the law and expects to get a slap on the wrist. What kind of message does this send the other criminals his office prosecutes?

I request that you reconsider the proposed settlement and instead ensure that you send a message that this behavior will not be tolerated.

Sincerely,
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