



**SOLANO COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE**  
**Thomas A. Ferrara, Sheriff-Coroner**

---

530 Union Avenue, Ste. 100, Fairfield, CA 94533  
(707) 784-7000

June 30, 2014

Honorable E. Bradley Nelson  
Presiding Judge of the Superior Court  
County of Solano  
600 Union Avenue  
Fairfield, CA 94533

**Re: Sheriff's Response to FY2013/2014 Solano County Grand Jury Report – Solano County  
Claybank Adult Detention Center; Findings and Recommendations**

**Finding 1** – *The upgraded electronic security surveillance system, when implemented, will eliminate the several “blind spots” of the current system installed in 1979.*

**Response to Finding 1** – The Sheriff agrees with the finding of the Grand Jury.

**Recommendation 1** – *The Sheriff and his staff continue to proceed with the installation of the new security system.*

**Response to Recommendation 1** – The Sheriff agrees with the recommendation of the Grand Jury.

**Finding 2** – *Inmate violence on staff has sharply increased (284%) since the AB109 implementation.*

**Response to Finding 2** – The Sheriff agrees with the finding of the Grand Jury. It should be noted that this figure equates to an increase from 12 assaults in 2011 (prior to Realignment), or one per month; to 46 in 2013, or 3.8 per month; and that the Solano County inmate population has increased from an average of 750 in 2011 to 950 in 2013. It should also be noted that these figures refer to assaults at both the Justice Center Detention Facility and the Claybank Detention Facility.

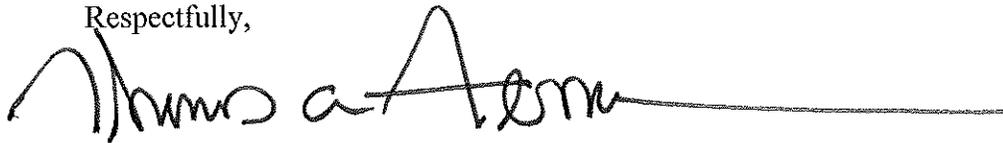
**Recommendation 2** – *Recognize and reduce violent incidents against staff by identifying and implementing strategies that have proven to be effective.*

**Response to Recommendation 2** – The Sheriff agrees with the recommendation of the Grand Jury.

*Dedicated to Community Service*

I would like to thank the Solano County Grand Jury for their time invested in this matter and for their report of findings and recommendations. As always, the recommendations and comments of the Solano County Grand Jury are greatly appreciated.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Thomas A. Ferrara", followed by a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Thomas A. Ferrara  
Sheriff-Coroner

cc: Solano County Grand Jury  
County Administrator's Office