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## TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

As of today, we are forming the Office of the Public Administrator, Public Guardian and Public Conservator as a division of Aging & Independence Services. This new office, which represents the merging of the current Public Administrator/Public Guardian Division and the LPS Conservatorship Program, formerly part of the Behavioral Health Division, will become part of Aging & Independence Services, a subdivision of the County of San Diego, Health and Human Services Agency.

In addition to changing their location in the County's organizational structure, the Office of the Public Administrator, Public Guardian and Public Conservator will be moving to a new office located at:

5560 Overland Avenue, Suite 130  
San Diego, CA 92123  
(858) 694-3500 – phone  
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With the departure of Lori Bays, Public Administrator/Public Guardian, I have asked Ellen Schmeding, MFT, to take on the role of Public Administrator/Public Guardian/Public Conservator. Ms. Schmeding has also been formally appointed to this role by both the County's Chief Administrative Officer, Helen Robbins-Meyer, as well as by Alfredo Aguirre, Director, Behavioral Health Services.

Please feel free to address any questions on these changes to Ms. Schmeding who can be reached at (858) 495-5858 or at [Ellen.Schmeding@sdcounty.ca.gov](mailto:Ellen.Schmeding@sdcounty.ca.gov).

Sincerely,

PAMELA B. SMITH  
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