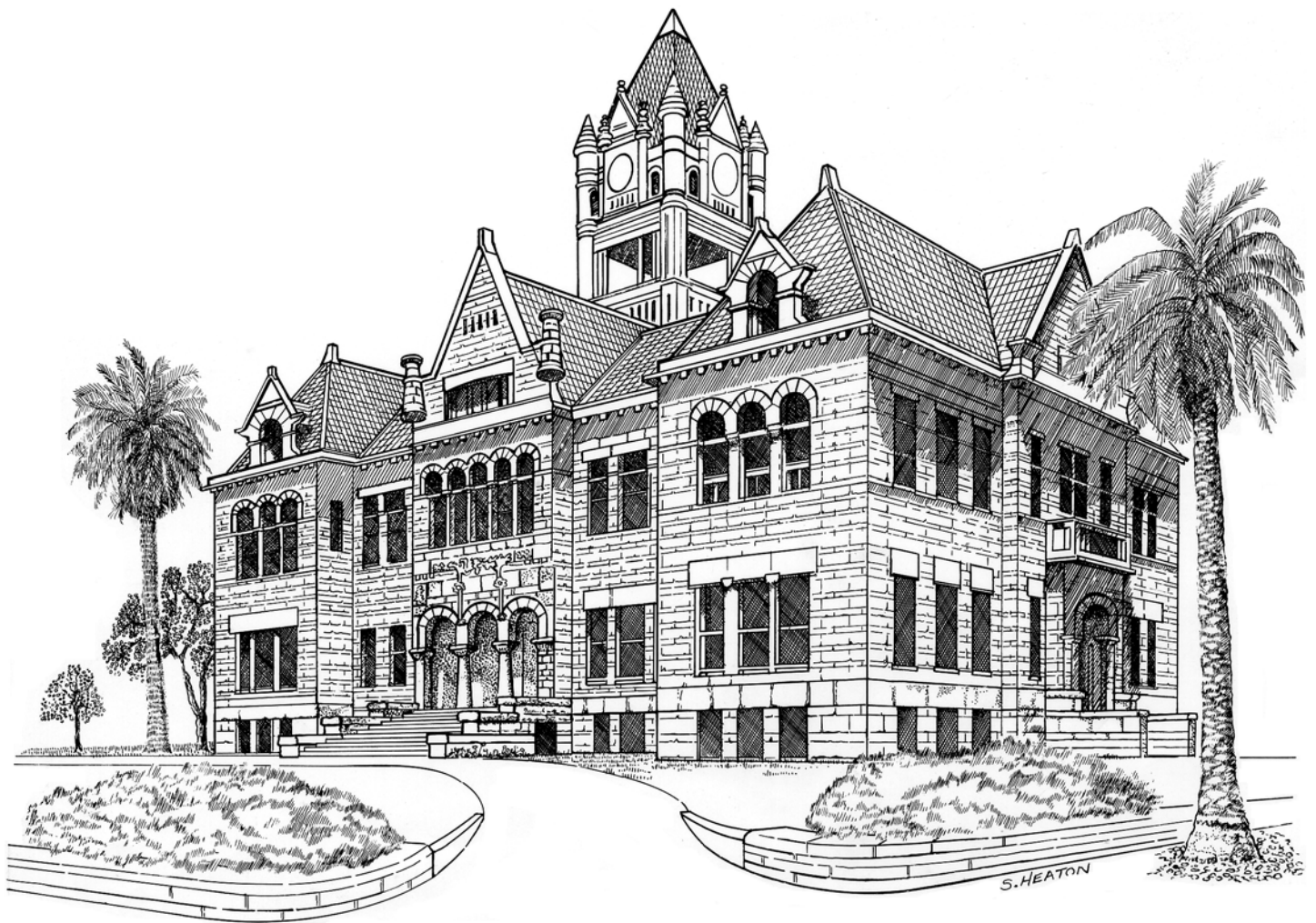


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2010 – 2011 Orange County Grand Jury Final Report





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The Honorable Craig E. Robison
Supervising Judge, Central Felony Panel
Superior Court of California
County of Orange

Dear Judge Robison:

On behalf of the 2010-2011 Orange County Grand Jury it is my pleasure to present to you our final report. This document represents a comprehensive study of various government operations and associated functions within our County. The Grand Jury in its civil capacity paid particular attention to management oversight, fiscal accountability, and innovative ideas for improving service to the citizens of Orange County. Our studies ranged from law enforcement and public safety issues to public school safety preparations associated with unanticipated campus emergencies. We also carefully examined how elected and appointed officials reported and managed taxpayer resources.

The overall results of our civil studies disclosed that Orange County is generally well managed and the citizens of our County receive excellent government service. Our findings and recommendations in each study focused on realistic and objective suggestions for both growth and improvement in government services to our communities.

With respect to the Grand Jury's criminal investigative and indictment responsibilities, the 2010-2011 Grand Jury participated in a significant number of indictments ranging from homicide, violent gang activity, to major fraud investigations. In each matter presented to this Grand Jury, the members carefully examined the evidence and were successful in finding a *True Bill* in each case. We additionally participated in a lengthy investigative hearing on behalf of the District Attorney's office.

The Grand Jury was very fortunate to have the tireless support of a number of individuals during our term. Specifically, this Grand Jury wishes to commend and thank Donna Vinnacombe, Grand Jury Administrator, and Mary Booker, Administrative Assistant, for their dedicated support and assistance in daily Grand Jury operations. We would also like to recognize the excellent work and wise counsel provided by Senior Deputy County Counsel Karen Prather, who ensured that we received timely legal advice. Lastly, the Grand Jury received tremendous support from Assistant District Attorney Michael Lubinski and Senior Deputy District Attorney Rebecca Olivieri during all criminal investigations and indictments.