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Governor Schwarzenegger Appoints Members of the Mission County Formation Commission

Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger today announced the appointment of John "Jack" Boysen, June Christensen, Dick Frank, Harriet Miller and Ted Tedesco to the Mission County Formation Commission.

"Each member of this commission represents important and distinct areas of Santa Barbara County and has the expertise to offer fair and impartial information to the people of the County as they make this decision," said Governor Schwarzenegger.

Jack Boysen is currently a member of the County of Santa Barbara Planning Commission representing the constituents of North Santa Barbara County. The commission is charged with providing fairness and consistency to ensure compliance with all planning, zoning and subdivision matters. He also served on the Process Improvement Project, a steering committee charged with improving the efficiency of preparation and processing of ministerial land-use projects in Santa Barbara County. From 1988 through his retirement in 2003, Boysen was in day-to-day management with Boysen Construction, a general contracting and development company. Prior to 1988 he served in senior management positions with Deloitte, Haskins and Sells CPA, Frazee Paint and Union Bank. He earned a Bachelor of Science degree in accounting from San Diego State University. Boysen, 54, is a Republican from Santa Maria.

June Christensen is a former mayor and city councilperson for the City of Solvang. She retired from the County in 1998 where she served as a consultant for the Santa Maria Municipal Court for eight years. Her professional experience also includes service as a consultant to the Ventura County courts. Christensen's community experience includes service as a Superior Court Judge appointee to the Santa Barbara County Juvenile Justice & Delinquency Prevention Commission in addition to serving as secretary of the Santa Barbara County Grand Jury from 1974 to 1975 and as foreman from 1979 to 1980. Christensen, 66, is a Republican from Solvang.

Dick Frank served as the elected county assessor for the County of San Luis Obispo for 26 years, from 1976 through 2003. He has served in leadership positions with the California Assessors Association, including a year as president, was a member of the 1982 San Luis Obispo Redistricting Committee and was a member of the San Luis Obispo Mobile Home Rent Review Board. Frank's professional experience also includes more than fifteen years as a real estate appraiser with the Arizona Highway Department and the firm Marshall and Stevens. Frank, 70, is a Republican from San Luis Obispo.

Harriet Miller is the former mayor of the City of Santa Barbara, elected in 1995 serving through her retirement in 2002. Prior to her service as mayor she was a member of the Santa Barbara City Council from 1987 to 1994. Miller was the owner and president of HMA, Inc., a management consulting firm, before her appointment to the City Council. Prior to coming to California she served as the director of the American Association of Retired Persons in Washington, DC and was the superintendent of public instruction for the State of Montana and a professor at the University of Montana, Missoula. Miller is also a past member of the Santa Barbara County Association of Governments and a former member the boards of the National League of Cities, the League of California Cities and the Institute for Local Self-Government. In addition, she is currently a member of

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the boards of the Santa Barbara Symphony, the Rehabilitation Institute of Santa Barbara and the Santa Barbara Center for the Performing Arts. Miller, 84, is a Democrat from Santa Barbara.

Ted Tedesco is currently a trustee for the Santa Barbara County Employees Retirement System, the California Center for Civic Renewal, the National Urban Fellows and the ENO Transportation Foundation, and a former trustee for the Westmont College Foundation Board. He served as the vice president of corporate affairs for American Airlines from 1986 to 1998 and prior to that was the vice chancellor of administration at the University of Colorado, Boulder for seven years. Tedesco began his career as a city manager in 1962 for the City of Enfield, CT where he served for five years. He then moved to the City of Boulder, CO where he was the city manager from 1967 to 1972 after which he served in the same capacity for the City of San Jose, CA for six years. Tedesco, 72, is registered decline-to-state and a resident of Santa Barbara.

These positions do not require Senate confirmation and there is no salary.

The Mission County Formation Commission is charged with completing a comprehensive assessment and report for the community regarding the impact of the proposed Santa Barbara County split on the region. The Commission is comprised of two residents from the proposed new County, two residents from the affected County, and one member from outside both areas. The Commission will explore the fiscal impacts and economic viability of a split, make determinations, provide a forum for public input, propose new supervisorial districts and a new county seat along with other significant findings. The Commission will also determine the conditions for formation that will go on the ballot and apply should the voters choose to create a new County. The Commission's purpose is for fact-finding and reporting only; it does not offer a recommendation for or against formation. Within 180 days of appointment by the Governor, the Commission will transmit its report in writing to the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors, or, upon the Governor's approval, the Commission may be granted an additional 180 days to submit its final report.

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