

FINAL REPORT OF THE  
**TRINITY COUNTY**  
**GRAND JURY**

**2006 - 2007**



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## 2006 – 2007 TRINITY COUNTY GRAND JURY ROSTER

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June 5, 2007

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Hon. James Woodward, Presiding Judge  
Trinity County Superior Court  
P.O. Box 1258  
Weaverville, CA 96093

Dear Judge Woodward:

I am pleased to submit the Trinity County Grand Jury Final Report for fiscal year 2006-2007.

The 2006-2007 Grand Jury received nineteen (19) Citizen Complaints within the past year. After a preliminary investigation of each received complaint, it was either approved for further action or dismissed.

This year's Grand Jury had the opportunity to look at several county departments with regards to the quality of life and fiscal management within Trinity County. These investigations included but were not limited to: opportunities for our youth, availability of higher education or vocational education within Trinity County, the County's Purchasing Policy, and Trinity County's Airports.

I would like to thank the various committee chairpersons and other members of the Grand Jury for their time and effort over the last year. My special thanks and gratitude to Maggie Bluer, our secretary, for her very strong commitment to this year's Grand Jury by keeping me organized and the entire Grand Jury focused and informed.

My appreciation for the help and advice which Court Executive Officer Donna Regnani and staff provided the Grand Jury over the past year.

I truly believe that the Grand Jury, as a county watchdog, provides the citizens of Trinity County an invaluable service.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve as Foreman for fiscal year 2006-07.

Respectfully yours,

Keith Johnson, Foreman  
2006-2007 Trinity County Grand Jury

**COMMITTEE ROSTER – GRAND JURY  
2006-2007**

**FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION**

**Jean Ann Horstman, Chair**  
Ken Nilsson  
Seth Palmer  
Ed James

**JUDICIAL**

**John J. Hodges, Chair**  
Debbie Hall  
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Jim Quinn

**HEALTH/HUMAN AND  
SOCIAL SERVICES**

**Debbie Hall, Chair**  
Gerry Maxey  
Ken Nilsson  
Jim Quinn  
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**SPECIAL DISTRICTS  
SPECIAL COMMITTEES**

**Les Daye, Chair**  
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Debbie Hall  
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## **Names of Board of Supervisors and Other County Officials**

**2006 - 2007 TRINITY COUNTY GRAND JURY**

### **TRINITY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

**Judy Pflueger, District 1**

**(Lewiston, East Weaver, Minersville, Trinity Center, Coffee-Carrville)**

**Jeff Morris, District 2**

**(Weaverville)**

**Roger Jaegel, District 3**

**(Hayfork, Douglas City, Indian Creek)**

**Howard Freeman, District 4**

**(Junction City, Big Bar, Burnt Ranch, Denny, North Fork, Salyer)**

**Wendy Reiss, District 5**

**(Hyampom, Ruth, Zenia, South Hayfork, Mad River, Wildwood)**

### **TRINITY COUNTY DEPARTMENT HEADS**

**Michael Harper, District Attorney/Coroner**

**David Nelson, Auditor/Controller**

**Jeanette Palla, County Counsel**

**Terry Lee, Chief Probation Officer**

**Dero Forslund, Clerk/Recorder/Assessor/Elections Officer**

**Lynda Hymas, Treasurer/Tax Collector**

**Carl Bonomini, Director of Transportation**

**Wyatt Paxton, General Services Director/Building Department**

**Pat Mortensen, Director Grants and Rehabilitation**

**Susan Price, Planning**

**Lorrac Craig, Sheriff**

**Oresta Esquibel, Librarian**

**Lynn McConnachie, Director Child Support Services**

**Mark Lockhart, Agricultural Commissioner/Sealer of Weights and Measures**

**Linda Wright, Director Health and Human Services**

**James French, Trinity County Superintendent of Schools**

**James P. Woodward, Presiding Judge of the Superior Court**

**Anthony C. Edwards, Judge of the Superior Court**