

MICHAEL A. HESTRIN
District Attorney
County of Riverside
3960 Orange Street, First Floor
Riverside, California 92501
Telephone: (951) 955-5400
Kamaria A. Henry
Chief Deputy District Attorney
State Bar No. 204602

Bail \$ 112,500.00

FILED
SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE

OCT 24 2025

R. Gonzalez

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE
(Indio)

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA,

NO. FEIN2502457

Plaintiff,

INDICTMENT

v.

STEVEN ANDREW HERNANDEZ,

AGENCY#: DAR2025016001/RDA

Defendant.

COUNT 1

STEVEN ANDREW HERNANDEZ is accused by the Criminal Grand Jury of Riverside County, State of California, by this indictment of the crime of a violation of Government Code section 87100, a misdemeanor, in that on or about November 15, 2021, in the County of Riverside, State of California, the defendant, being a public official of state and local government, did willfully and unlawfully and knowingly make, participate in making, or attempt to use his official position to influence a governmental decision in which the defendant knew or had reason to know he had a financial interest, to wit: USE OF AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT FUNDS TO REHABILITATE THE DOWNTOWN COACHELLA FIRE STATION.

COUNT 2

For further and separate cause of action, being a different offense but connected in its commission with the charge set forth in Count 1 hereof, the Criminal Grand Jury of the County of

1 Riverside by this Indictment hereby accuses STEVEN ANDREW HERNANDEZ of a violation of
2 Government Code section 87100, a misdemeanor, in that on or about January 26, 2022 in the
3 County of Riverside, State of California, the defendant, being a public official of state and local
4 government, did willfully and unlawfully and knowingly make, participate in making, or attempt to
5 use his official position to influence a governmental decision in which the defendant knew or had
6 reason to know he had a financial interest, to wit: VOTE ON FOUNTAINHEAD PLAZA.

7
8 COUNT 3

9 For further and separate cause of action, being a different offense but connected in its
10 commission with the charge set forth in Counts 1 and 2 hereof, the Criminal Grand Jury of the
11 County of Riverside by this Indictment hereby accuses STEVEN ANDREW HERNANDEZ of a
12 violation of Government Code section 87100, a misdemeanor, in that on or about May 11, 2022 in
13 the County of Riverside, State of California, the defendant, being a public official of state and local
14 government, did willfully and unlawfully and knowingly make, participate in making, or attempt to
15 use his official position to influence a governmental decision in which the defendant knew or had
16 reason to know he had a financial interest, to wit: VOTE ON TRIPOLI MIXED-USE PROJECT.

17
18 COUNT 4

19 For further and separate cause of action, being a different offense but connected in its
20 commission with the charge set forth in Counts 1 through 3 hereof, the Criminal Grand Jury of the
21 County of Riverside by this Indictment hereby accuses STEVEN ANDREW HERNANDEZ of a
22 violation of Government Code section 1090, subdivision (a), a felony, in that on or about May 10,
23 2023, in the County of Riverside, State of California, the defendant did willfully and unlawfully
24 make a contract in his official capacity in which he had a financial interest, to wit:
25 MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT WITH COACHELLA VALLEY ASSOCIATION OF
26 GOVERNMENTS ("CVAG") REGARDING THE CV HOUSING FIRST PROGRAM.

27
28 COUNT 5

29 For further and separate cause of action, being a different offense but connected in its
30 commission with the charge set forth in Counts 1 through 4 hereof, the Criminal Grand Jury of the
31 County of Riverside by this Indictment hereby accuses STEVEN ANDREW HERNANDEZ of a
32 violation of Government Code section 87100, a misdemeanor, in that on or about July 26, 2023 in
33 the County of Riverside, State of California, the defendant, being a public official of state and local
34 government, did willfully and unlawfully and knowingly make, participate in making, or attempt to
35 use his official position to influence a governmental decision in which the defendant knew or had
36

1 reason to know he had a financial interest, to wit: VOTE ON SUNLINE TRANSIT HUB
2 FUNDING.

3
4 COUNT 6

5 For further and separate cause of action, being a different offense but connected in its
6 commission with the charge set forth in Counts 1 through 5 hereof, the Criminal Grand Jury of the
7 County of Riverside by this Indictment hereby accuses STEVEN ANDREW HERNANDEZ of a
8 violation of Penal Code section 118, a felony, in that on or about April 4, 2022 in the County of
9 Riverside, State of California, the defendant being a person who testified, declared, deposed, and
10 certified under penalty of perjury in a case in which such testimony, declaration, deposition, and
11 certification is permitted by law under penalty of perjury, to wit: STATEMENT OF ECONOMIC
12 INTEREST, FORM 700, did willfully state as true a material matter which the defendant knew to
13 be false, to wit: IDENTIFICATION OF GROSS INCOME RECEIVED, 52280 CALLE
14 CAMACHO.

15
16 COUNT 7

17 For further and separate cause of action, being a different offense but connected in its
18 commission with the charge set forth in Counts 1 through 6 hereof, the Criminal Grand Jury of the
19 County of Riverside by this Indictment hereby accuses STEVEN ANDREW HERNANDEZ of a
20 violation of Penal Code section 118, a felony, in that on or about March 29, 2023 in the County of
21 Riverside, State of California, the defendant being a person who testified, declared, deposed, and
22 certified under penalty of perjury in a case in which such testimony, declaration, deposition, and
23 certification is permitted by law under penalty of perjury, to wit: STATEMENT OF ECONOMIC
24 INTEREST, FORM 700, did willfully state as true a material matter which the defendant knew to
25 be false, to wit: IDENTIFICATION OF GROSS INCOME RECEIVED, 52280 CALLE
26 CAMACHO.

27
28 COUNT 8

29 For further and separate cause of action, being a different offense but connected in its
30 commission with the charge set forth in Counts 1 through 7 hereof, the Criminal Grand Jury of the
31 County of Riverside by this Indictment hereby accuses STEVEN ANDREW HERNANDEZ of a
32 violation of Penal Code section 118, a felony, in that on or about April 1, 2024 in the County of
33 Riverside, State of California, the defendant being a person who testified, declared, deposed, and
34 certified under penalty of perjury in a case in which such testimony, declaration, deposition, and
35 certification is permitted by law under penalty of perjury, to wit: STATEMENT OF ECONOMIC
36 INTEREST, FORM 700, did willfully state as true a material matter which the defendant knew to

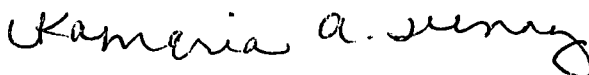
1 be false, to wit: IDENTIFICATION OF GROSS INCOME RECEIVED, 52280 CALLE
2 CAMACHO.

3
4 COUNT 9

5 For further and separate cause of action, being a different offense but connected in its
6 commission with the charge set forth in Counts 1 through 8 hereof, the Criminal Grand Jury of the
7 County of Riverside by this Indictment hereby accuses STEVEN ANDREW HERNANDEZ of a
8 violation of Penal Code section 118, a felony, in that on or about March 28, 2025 in the County of
9 Riverside, State of California, the defendant being a person who testified, declared, deposed, and
10 certified under penalty of perjury in a case in which such testimony, declaration, deposition, and
11 certification is permitted by law under penalty of perjury, to wit: STATEMENT OF ECONOMIC
12 INTEREST, FORM 700, did willfully state as true a material matter which the defendant knew to
13 be false, to wit: IDENTIFICATION OF GROSS INCOME RECEIVED, 52280 CALLE
14 CAMACHO.

15
16 Date: 10/23/2025

17 MICHAEL A. HESTRIN
18 District Attorney

19
20 
21 KAMARIA A. HENRY
22 Chief Deputy District Attorney
23

24 Names of witnesses examined before the Criminal Grand Jury on finding of the foregoing
25 indictment:

- 26
27 1. Megan Beaman Jacinto
28 2. Gabriel Martin
29 3. Annebelle Nery
30 4. Matt Childers
31 5. Celina Jimenez
32 6. Kevin Fitzgerald
33 7. Bradford Thompson
34 8. Edward Lee
35 9. Paul Harvey
36 10. Carlos Campos

1
2
3
4
5
6
7
8
9
10
11
12
13
14
15
16
17
18
19
20
21
22
23
24
25
26
27
28
29
30
31
32
33
34
35
36

- 11. Erica Felci
- 12. Denise Delgado
- 13. Brian Young

A TRUE BILL:



Foreperson of the Criminal Grand Jury

KAH:er

MICHAEL A. HESTRIN
District Attorney
County of Riverside
3960 Orange Street
Riverside, CA 92501
Telephone: (951) 955-5400

Natasha Sorace
Deputy District Attorney
State Bar No. 331375

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE
(Indio)

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA,
Plaintiff,
v.

STEVEN ANDREW HERNANDEZ
Defendant.

Case No.
REQUEST/MOTION FOR
PROSECUTION DISCOVERY
(Pen. Code, §§ 1054.3,
1054.5(a) & (b))

TO: THE HONORABLE JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURTS AND TO COUNSEL
FOR ABOVE-NAMED DEFENDANTS:

PLEASE BE INFORMED that the Office of the District Attorney of Riverside County,
acting on behalf of the Plaintiff, the People of the State of California, hereby requests/moves for
discovery/disclosure of the following items from the defendants and counsels in this case,
pursuant to Penal Code section 1054.3(a) and (b):

1. The names and addresses of persons, other than the defendants, counsels or defendants
intend to call as witnesses at trial;
2. Any relevant written or recorded statements of the persons in No. 1 above and/or
reports of the statement of such persons;
3. Any reports or statement of experts made in connection with this case, including, but
not limited to, the results of physical or mental examinations, scientific tests, experiments, or
comparisons which the defendant or counsel intend to offer as evidence at the trial of this case;
and
4. Any "real," i.e., tangible or physical, evidence which the defendant or counsel intends
to offer in evidence at the trial.

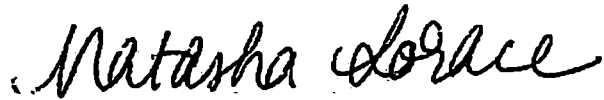
1 PLEASE TAKE NOTE that pursuant to the provisions of Penal Code section 1054.5(b) if
2 the above material and information requested is not provided to counsel for the plaintiff within
3 15 days of this request, a court order will be sought to promptly enforce the provisions of Penal
4 Code section 1054.3.

5 Dated: October 23, 2025
6

7 Respectfully submitted,
8

9 MICHAEL A. HESTRIN

10 District Attorney
11

12 
13

14 NATASHA SORACE

15 Chief Deputy District Attorney
16
17
18
19
20
21
22
23
24
25
26
27
28
29
30
31
32
33
34
35
36