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IJAZ SIRAJ JAMALL, Ph.D.
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Re: Bernal v. City of San Jose
Santa Clara County Superior Court Case No. 108CV116141

Dear Ijaz:

As you know from our brief conversation a few weeks ago now, the jury in the Bernal trial deliberated less than 90 minutes before concluding the soil contamination at Watson Park and adjacent properties was not a condition harmful to human health, resulting in a verdict and judgment in favor of the City.

From post verdict discussions with jurors, I can tell you the jury relied on your crystal clear trial testimony to reach their verdict. They were very impressed with your stellar credentials and thoroughly persuaded by your analysis. The highlight of your work for me was watching opposing counsel's expert feed his cross-examination questions for two days and seeing you repeatedly turn them into teaching moments for the jury to support your opinion.

You are a consummate professional and I cannot say enough good things about your work, so I will simply say, thank you for your excellent service. I look forward to working with you again if the opportunity arises. On a personal level, I especially want you to know I very much enjoyed meeting and working with you. I wish you all the best.

Very truly yours,

RICHARD DOYLE, City Attorney

By: 

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