



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

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The following individuals submitted comments on agenda item:				
78.		Oppose	Barbara Turner	It is unethical and highly suspicious that a "witness" is paid \$100,000 for being a witness! There is no justification to rehire someone to perform a service that can be done by the person holding her previous position, to wit, Joseph F. Iniguez. Gascon has already cost us taxpayers so much money with the lawsuits he has lost, and there are many lawsuits still pending. The District Attorney's Office is having difficulty hiring people because of his poor leadership. Please do not authorize an additional \$100,000 payment or any other payment, to assist him with defending himself.
			Brandon Goode	The county has spent thousands of dollars on the mismanagement of the DA's office. This is yet another example of spending that is literally wasting county tax payer dollars. While \$100,000 is likely pennies when compared to the overall LA County budget, this is not a one time request. Rather, these requests continue to come at the expense of mismanagement. To hire back someone who is already receiving full county benefits as she just retired, when there are county employees who could fulfill the duties requested of her as reinstated, is an irresponsible use of funds. I don't care who is in charge of the DA's office - the Board is responsible for the use of funds and the Board should not be bankrolling this mismanagement. There are legitimate needs of the DA, but this is not one of them.
			Brian S Steven	This is NOT accurate. She is NOT the only person who can do this job. That is completely false. Have the DA swear to this under oath. It is also sad that this Board never cares about the historic number of retaliation and whistle blower lawsuits. Should investigate.
			Cesar Rivas	There is already someone in the LADA's Office (Joseph Iniguez) who is performing and can perform the tasks DA Gascon wants to re-hire Sharon Woo to perform. Additionally, re-hiring retired Chief Woo as a grade IV means fewer grade IV spots available. \$100,000 is also excessive for this purpose. She could be subpoenaed as a witness and paid only for her travel and lodging at much less expense to the county.
			John Gubernat	I oppose spending taxpayer money to hire a retired county employee to defend DA George Gascon.
			Richard Nonn	D.A. Gascon should not rehire Sharon Woo to help defend him against employment related lawsuits. The Grade IV Deputy position should be reserved for a much-needed prosecutor. Thank you.

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		Item Total	7	
Grand Total			7	

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