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[PROPOSED] ORDER GRANTING AVEK'S MOTION TO DISQUALIFY BEST & KRIEGER AS LEGAL COUNSEL IN ANTELOPE VALLEY GROUNDWATER CASES

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The motion of Antelope Valley East - Kern Water Agency ("AVEK") seeking an order disqualifying Best Best & Krieger ("BB&K") and its attorneys from representing or providing any legal assistance to the Los Angeles County Water Works District No. 40 ("District 40"), and/or any other party or potential party, in this coordinated proceeding titled Antelope Valley Groundwater ("AVG") cases, Santa Clara Superior Court Case No. 1-05-CV-049053, JCCP No. 4880 ("Action") came on regularly noticed motion for hearing on October 18, 2016 at 10:00 a.m., in Room 222 of the Los Angeles County Superior Court. James J. Banks of Banks & Watson in Sacramento, California, appeared on behalf of the moving party, AVEK. Wendy Wen Yun Chang of Hinshaw & Culbertson, LLP, in Los Angeles, California, appeared on behalf of Best, Best & Kreiger.

Having read and considered the moving papers and all exhibits filed therewith, and all papers in opposition thereto, and having heard the oral arguments of the parties, and good cause appearing therefore, this court finds BB&K violated its duties and obligations pursuant to California Rules of Professional Conduct, rule 3-310(C) by concurrently representing parties with adverse interests in connection with the AVG cases. Consequently, AVEK's motion is hereby GRANTED.

IT IS ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that Best, Best & Kreiger and its attorneys are disqualified from representing or providing any legal assistance to District 40, and/or any other party or potential party, in the Antelope Valley Groundwater cases.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATED:

JACK KOMAR (Ret.) JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT

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2	CASE NAME: ANTELOPE VALLEY GROUNDWATER CASES COURT: Santa Clara County Superior Court CASE NO: CGC-13-533134 (JCCP No. 4408)
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5	STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
6	COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO) ss.
7 8	At the time of service, I was over 18 years of age and not a party to this action. My business address is 901 F Street, Suite 200, Sacramento, California 95814. My electronic address is jyoshida@bw-firm.com.
9	On August 17, 2016, I served the within copy of:
10	[PROPOSED] ORDER GRANTING AVEK'S MOTION TO DISQUALIFY BEST BEST & KRIEGER AS LEGAL COUNSEL IN ANTELOPE VALLEY GROUNDWATER CASES
11	RRIEGER AS LEGAL COUNSEL IN ANTELOPE VALLEY GROUNDWATER CASES
12	on the interested parties in this action served in the following manner:
13	(✓) BY ELECTRONIC FILING – I caused the document(s) listed above to be transmitted <i>via</i> Odyssey File & Serve to all parties appearing on the electronic services list for the Antelope
14	Valley Groundwater matter; proof of electronic filing through Odyssey File & Serve is then printed and maintained in our office. Electronic service is complete at the time of transmission.
15	I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is
16	true and correct. Executed on August 17, 2016, at Sacramento, California.
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