

Grand View Memorial Park – Lawsuits’ Update

Several lawsuits have been filed against the Cemetery and its owners. Although the City of Glendale is not a party in those lawsuits, the City is monitoring the lawsuits and the court proceedings. The two most noteworthy lawsuits are described below. The City cannot predict when these lawsuits will end or their outcome. Occasionally the City will update this information when significant events occur.

MARY LOUISE LARGEY, et al. (Plaintiffs) vs. GRAND VIEW MEMORIAL PARK, INC., et al. (Defendants)

Lawsuit Description: Family members whose relatives are buried at the Cemetery are suing the Cemetery and its owners for monetary damages and other relief.

Court: Los Angeles County Superior Court

Case Number: BC342549

Judge: Honorable Anthony J. Mohr, Department 309

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<u>Court Hearings:</u>	<u>Date:</u>	<u>Time:</u>	<u>Type of Proceeding:</u>
	August 30, 2006	9:00 a.m.	Cemetery Inspection
	September 15, 2006	10:00 a.m.	Status Conference
<u>Next:</u>	October 4, 2006	10:15 a.m.	Status Conference

Significant Developments:

Judge Mohr issued an “*evidence preservation order*,” requiring that all records, documents, buildings, vehicles, and tangible things within the Cemetery must be preserved and must not be removed from the Cemetery until further order of the Court. Although Judge Mohr’s order requires that nothing in the Cemetery can be disturbed or taken, the order allows visitors at the Cemetery to clean a grave marker, hand trim dried grass, and leave commemorative items (i.e., cut flowers, photograph, toy) at a grave site.

IN THE MATTER OF THE ACCUSATION AGAINST GRAND VIEW MEMORIAL PARK, INC., et al.

Lawsuit Description: California’s Cemetery and Funeral Bureau is suing the Cemetery and its owners for violations of California’s cemetery laws.

Court: Office of Administrative Hearings

Case Number: 2006080381

Administrative Law Judge: Honorable Julie Cabos-Owens

Hearing Location: Serra Building
320 West Fourth Street
Los Angeles, California 90013
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<u>Court Hearings:</u>	<u>Date:</u>	<u>Time:</u>	<u>Type of Proceeding:</u>
	August 21, 2006	1:30 p.m.	Trial Setting Conference
<u>Next:</u>	October 4, 2006	10:00 a.m.	Settlement Conference

Significant Developments:

Administrative Law Judge Cabos-Owens set several hearing dates, beginning on January 8, 2007. At those hearings, the Attorney General’s office will present evidence against the Cemetery and its owners for violations of California’s cemetery laws. The Cemetery and its owners will then present their defense against the accusations.

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