

Los Angeles County Jails

United States v. County of Los Angeles (“DOJ Agreement”)

Rosas v. Los Angeles County Sheriff (“Rosas Agreement”)

Introduction

- DOJ and Rosas Agreements Relate to Conditions of Confinement in the Los Angeles County jails
 - Federal Court Appointed Monitors
 - 173 Total Provisions
 - Each Provision has its own Compliance Measures, or set of obligations, to demonstrate the Department's practice complies

Compliance Teams

- Custody Compliance and Sustainability Bureau (“CCSB”)
 - Created pursuant to the DOJ Agreement, also responsible for Rosas
 - Headed by Captain of LASD – 50 personnel
 - Assumes primary responsibility for collecting data and information the Monitors require to carry out monitoring duties
 - Coordinates and monitors compliance and implementation activities of the Agreements
- Correctional Health Services – Compliance and Population Management
 - Similar duties regarding CHS self-assessments pursuant to the DOJ Agreement

Provision Lifecycle

**RANDOM
SELECTION AND
ANALYSIS OF
DOCUMENTS**

(CCSB)

**QUALITY CONTROL
REVIEW**

(CCSB)

**EXTERNAL REVIEW:
MONITORS/
DOJ/ ACLU**

**EXTERNAL REVIEW:
INDEPENDENT
AUDITORS OR
EXPERTS**

**COMPLIANCE
DETERMINATION**

*United States of America v.
County of Los Angeles
("DOJ Agreement")*

Overview

- Concerns mental health services, suicide prevention, and use of force
- Use of Force matters now addressed by Rosas Agreement
- Court approved Agreement in September 2015
- Assigned to Hon. Dean Pregerson
- Court appointed Monitor – Richard Drooyan
- Consists of 69 substantive provisions
- Some Provisions evaluated on a facility by facility basis, others overall
- Each provision must maintain substantial compliance for one year

Monitoring Activities

- Regular Visits of Facilities, including interviews with inmates and staff
- Attend death reviews
- Review of Self-Assessment Packages
- Consult with Subject Matter Experts on mental health, jail conditions and use of force matters

Monitor's Report

- Monitor files public report bi-annually
- Department required to submit a self-assessment report to the Monitor 15 days before the end of the reporting period
 - June 15
 - December 15
- Monitor's last report filed February 28, 2019 (Seventh Report)
- The Monitor's next public report will be filed with the court on August 30, 2019

Possible Compliance Findings

- “Substantial Compliance” means the County achieved compliance with the material components of the Provision and its Compliance Measures
- “Partial Compliance” means the County achieved compliance on some, but not all, of the material components of the Provision
- “Non-Compliance” means the County has not met most or all of the material components of the Provision

Current Status

As of Monitor's February 28, 2019 Report

- 69 Total Provisions described by their overall status

<u>Status</u>	<u>Number of Provisions</u>	<u>Percentage of Total</u>
Completed	23	33%
Substantially Compliant	7	10%
Partially Compliant	31	45%
Non-Compliant	7	10%
Not Yet Subject to Monitoring	1	2%

Alex Rosas, et al. v. Sheriff Alex Villanueva
 (“Rosas Agreement”)

Overview

- Federal class action lawsuit alleging a pattern of excessive use of force in the downtown jails
- Court approved settlement – April 2015
- Assigned to Hon. Dean Pregerson
- Appointment of a three-monitor panel ("Panel") each with equal power
 - Richard Drooyan
 - Jeff Schwartz
 - Robert Houston
- 104 substantive provisions with quarterly compliance obligations
- Compliance for 18 months – Bucket System
 - Provisions grouped by implementation date

104 Substantive Provisions

- Monitors' Seven Categories
 - (1) leadership, administration, and management
 - (2) training
 - (3) inmate grievances
 - (4) early warning system
 - (5) use of force policies and practices
 - (6) use of force reporting and investigations
 - (7) use of restraints

Panel's Monitoring Activities

- Regular Visits of Facilities
 - Force review with executive command staff
 - Interview inmates and staff
 - Review of grievance system
- Bi-Annual meeting with Sheriff
- Review of Self-Assessment Packages

Panel's Report

- Panel files public report at its discretion
- Panel requested Department submit Self-Assessment Packages
 - March 15
 - September 15
- Panel's last report filed May 31, 2019 (Fifth Report)
- Panel's next report to be filed November 2019

Panel's Fifth Report

(Third and Fourth Quarter 2018)

Assessment Results

<u>Status</u>	<u>Administrative</u>	<u>Use of Force</u>	<u>Training</u>	<u>Force Reporting/ Investigation</u>	<u>Grievances</u>	<u>Restraints</u>	<u>Early Warning System</u>	<u>Total</u>
Compliant	9	5	9	6	21	2	1	53
Non-Compliant	0	16	2	16	3	0	2	39
Unable to Assess	0	4	0	2	0	6	0	12
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