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City of El Segundo
350 Main Street
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CLAIM NO.: 0204375646

INSTRUCTIONS

- a Claims for death, injury to person or to personal property must be filed not later than six months after the occurrence (Govt Code Sec. 911 2)
- b Other claims for damages must be filed not later than one year after the occurrence (govt Code Sec 911 2)
- c Read the entire claim before filing
- d Attach and sign additional supportive sheets , if necessary
- e The claim form must be signed and witnessed.
- f This claim form must be filed with the Office of the City Clerk (Govt. Code Sec. 915a).

TO CITY OF EL SEGUNDO, 350 MAIN STREET, EL SEGUNDO, CALIFORNIA 90245

1 Name of Claimant REX JAY FOWLER (DECEASED)

2 Home Address of Claimant 348 MAIN ST. Phone 310-534-2255

3 Business Address of Claimant EL SEGUNDO Phone 310-534-2255

4 Mail Notices to Home _____, Business _____, Other _____

5 Name and Address of Attorney (if any) N/A

6 When did damage/injury occur? (Date/Time) 5/26/2011 - 1240

7 Where did damage/injury occur? (Describe fully and locate on diagram on back, if appropriate) HOWARD BLVD AND 227TH STREET

8 How did damage/injury occur? (Give full description) NEWS REPORT NOT READER - NEWS REPORTS INDICATE OFFICER ARMED GUN IN TOGETHER IN TO SAT. REX FOWLER IN EL SEGUNDO. AFTER SHOOTING OFFICER GARTON LAUNCHED 1977 FORD MUSTANG VEHICLE

9 If the basis of liability is alleged to be an act or omission of a city officer or city employee, complete the following, if known

- a Name of officer/employee _____
- b Claimant's statement of the basis for such liability _____

10 If the basis of liability is alleged to be a dangerous condition of public property complete the following

- a Public Property alleged to be dangerous _____
- b Claimant's statement of basis for such liability _____

11 What specific damages or injury do you claim resulted (Give full description) DAMAGE TO MY INSURED VEHICLE

12 What specific sum do you claim on count of each item or injury or damage? (Include basis of computations) UNK - TOURNACE CAR SHALL HAVE BILL FOR ON ROAD

13 Total sum of claim UNK

14 What expenditures have been made as a result of damage or injury?

Date	Item	Amount

15 Names and addresses of witnesses, doctors and hospitals



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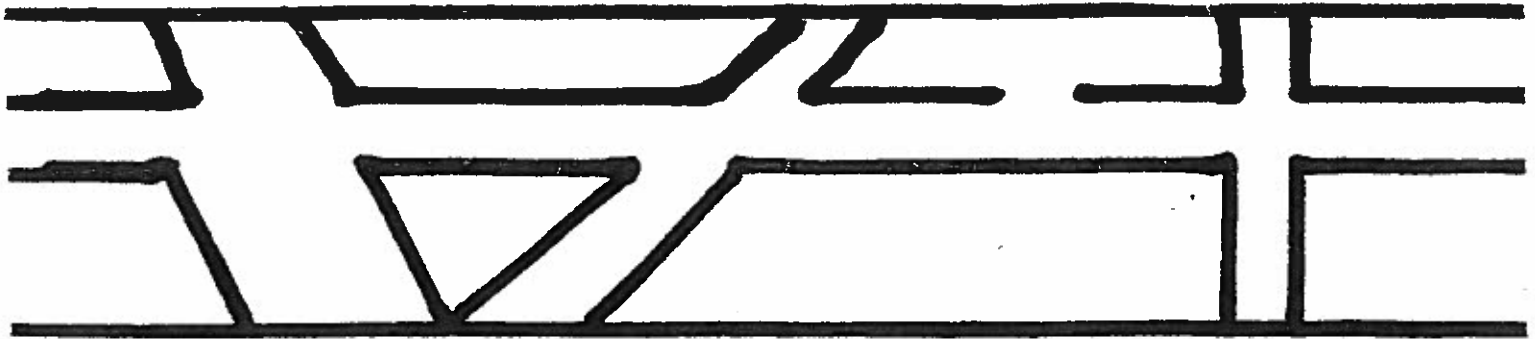
READ CAREFULLY

FOR ALL ACCIDENT CLAIMS, PLACE ON FOLLOWING DIAGRAM THE NAMES OF STREETS (INCLUDING NORTH, SOUTH, EAST AND WEST), INDICATE PLACE OF ACCIDENT WITH AN "X" AND BY SHOWING THE HOUSE NUMBERS OR DISTANCES TO THE STREET CORNERS

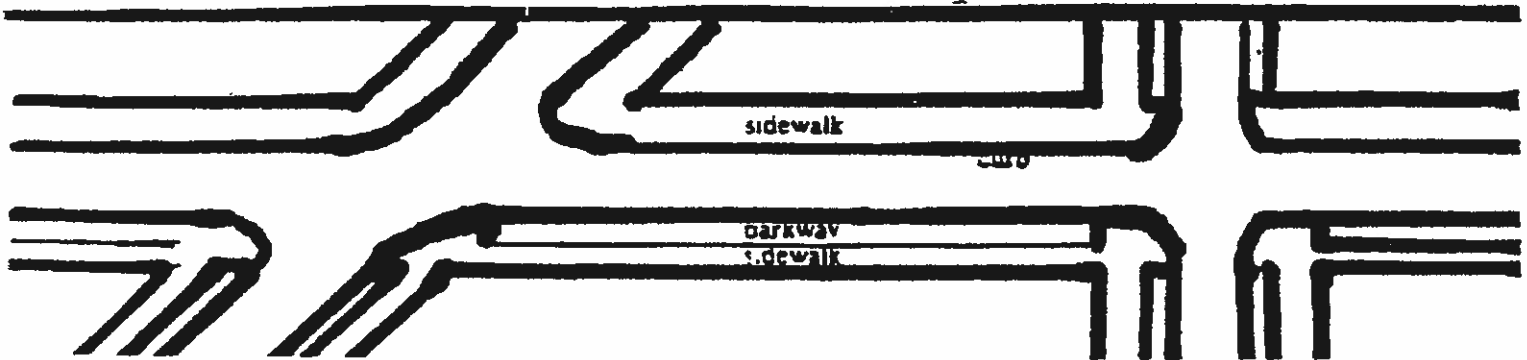
IF CITY VEHICLE WAS INVOLVED, DESIGNATE BY A LETTER "A" THE LOCATION OF THE CITY VEHICLE WHEN YOU FIRST SAW IT, AND BY THE LETTER "B" THE LOCATION OF YOURSELF OR YOUR VEHICLE WHEN YOU FIRST SAW THE CITY VEHICLE, THE LOCATION OF THE CITY VEHICLE AT THE TIME OF THE ACCIDENT BY "A-1", AND THE LOCATION OF YOURSELF OR YOUR VEHICLE AT THE TIME OF THE ACCIDENT BY "B-1", AND THE POINT OF IMPACT BY AN "X"

NOTE IF THE DIAGRAMS BELOW DO NOT FIT THE SITUATION, ATTACH A PROPER DIAGRAM SIGNED BY CLAIMANT

FOR AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT



FOR OTHER ACCIDENTS



[Handwritten Signature]
Signature of Claimant

[Handwritten Signature]
Signature of Witness to Claimant's signature

Signature of Claimant

Signature of Witness to Claimant's signature

Date 6-16-71

Date _____

NOTE ALL CLAIMANTS MAY BE REQUIRED TO BE EXAMINED AS TO THEIR CLAIM UNDER OATH PRESENTATION OF FALSE CLAIM IS A FELONY (CA PENAL CODE SEC. 72)

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COLLISION REPORT
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EMERGENCY VEHICLE		NUMBER MAILED 0	HT & RM RELCHY	CITY TORRANCE	JUDICIAL DISTRICT SOUTH BAY	LOCAL REPORT NUMBER 2011 050 756	
		NUMBER MAILED 1	HT & RM MISDEMEANOR	COUNTY LOS ANGELES	REPORTING DISTRICT 901	BEAT 901	DAY OF WEEK THURSDAY
				GPS COORDINATES LATITUDE 33.822262° LONGITUDE -118.351046°		PHOTOGRAPHS BY: <input type="checkbox"/> NONE SEE PHOTOS SECTION	
COLLISION OCCURRED ON: HAWTHORNE BOULEVARD		MO 05	DAY 26	YEAR 2011	TIME (24HR) 1240	NCIC # 9530	OFFICER LD. 014298
MILEPOST INFORMATION:		AT INTERSECTION WITH: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OR: 227TH STREET		STATE HWY REL <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO			
PARTY 1	DRIVER'S LICENSE NUMBER C3431316	STATE CA	CLASS M	AIR BAG P	SAFETY EQUIP. W	VEH. YEAR 05	MAKE / MODEL / COLOR HONDA ST1300.BLK/WHL
DRIVER	ON DUTY EMERGENCY VEHICLE ANDREW GARTON					OWNER'S NAME <input type="checkbox"/> SAME AS DRIVER	CITY OF HAWTHORNE
PEDES- TRIAN	STREET ADDRESS 4455 WEST 126TH STREET					OWNER'S ADDRESS <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SAME AS DRIVER	
PARKED VEHICLE	CITY / STATE / ZIP HAWTHORNE CA 90250					DISPOSITION OF VEHICLE ON ORDERS OF: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OFFICER <input type="checkbox"/> DRIVER <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER	
BICY- CLIST	SEX M	HAIR BLK	EYES GRN	HEIGHT 5-08	WEIGHT 180	BIRTHDATE MO 01 DAY 23 YEAR 1967	RACE W
OTHER	HOME PHONE UNKNOWN		BUSINESS PHONE (310)675-4443		VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: JH25C51745M300155		
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DIR OF TRAVEL S		ON STREET OR HIGHWAY HAWTHORNE BOULEVARD		SPEED LIMIT 45		SHADE IN DAMAGED AREA MOTORCYCLE - FRONT	
PARTY 2	DRIVER'S LICENSE NUMBER C2185106	STATE CA	CLASS M	AIR BAG P	SAFETY EQUIP. W	VEH. YEAR 07	MAKE / MODEL / COLOR BMW 1200RTP.BLK/WHT
DRIVER	ON DUTY EMERGENCY VEHICLE REX JAY FOWLER					OWNER'S NAME <input type="checkbox"/> SAME AS DRIVER	CITY OF EL SEGUNDO
PEDES- TRIAN	STREET ADDRESS 348 MAIN STREET					OWNER'S ADDRESS <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SAME AS DRIVER	
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PARTY 3	DRIVER'S LICENSE NUMBER C3063990	STATE CA	CLASS C	AIR BAG M	SAFETY EQUIP. G	VEH. YEAR 98	MAKE / MODEL / COLOR TOYO CAMRY.BLK
DRIVER	ON DUTY EMERGENCY VEHICLE JOHN ROBERT MITCHELL					OWNER'S NAME <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SAME AS DRIVER	CITY OF EL SEGUNDO
PEDES- TRIAN	STREET ADDRESS 22509 REDBEAM AVENUE					OWNER'S ADDRESS <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SAME AS DRIVER	
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BICY- CLIST	SEX M	HAIR BRN	EYES GRN	HEIGHT 5-11	WEIGHT 160	BIRTHDATE MO 03 DAY 24 YEAR 1944	RACE O
OTHER	HOME PHONE (310)543-5360		BUSINESS PHONE NONE		VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: JT2BG22K0W0262682		
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PREPARER'S NAME GREGORY S. OBERLE 014298		DISPATCH NOTIFIED <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> N/A		REVIEWER'S NAME		DATE REVIEWED	

CHP - 30-516-3355

WITNESSES / PASSENGERS
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PERSON (MO: DAY YEAR)		TIME(2400)	NCIC #	OFFICER I.D.	NUMBER											
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PREPAREY'S NAME
GREGORY S. OBERLE

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1 officer killed, 1 hurt in Torrance police funeral procession accident

By Douglas Morino and Larry Altman Staff Writers

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Emergency crews work on an El Segundo police officer injured in a traffic accident on Hawthorne Boulevard in Torrance Thursday afternoon. The crash occurred during a funeral procession for Manhattan Beach officer Mark Vasquez. (Sean Hillier / Staff Photographer)

PHOTOS

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- » **SOUTH BAY HOMICIDES** A police motorcycle officer from Hawthorne was killed and an officer from El Segundo was injured Thursday in a violent traffic collision during a funeral procession for a Manhattan Beach officer who had died of cancer. Andrew Garton, a traffic investigator who had been on the Hawthorne force for seven years, was

fatally injured in the 12:35 p.m. crash on Hawthorne Boulevard at 227th Street in Torrance. Garton, 44, was married and had two sons, ages 12 and 7. He had been a motorcycle officer for 4 1/2 years and also was a member of the department's special weapons team. His family was taken to his hospital bedside in a helicopter provided by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department. At a news conference Thursday night, Hawthorne Police Chief Robert Fager said Garton was the first officer to die in the line of duty in the 89-year history of the Hawthorne police force. Fager said the officers "will stand as a department and as a family" to work through the grief over Garton's death. He said the Hawthorne department is arranging an account to accept donations for Garton's family. The El Segundo officer was identified as Sgt. Rex Fowler, a traffic and animal control sergeant who has been on the force for more than 20 years. Fowler, 47, suffered a broken leg and was in stable condition at County Harbor-UCLA Medical Center, where he was



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Police Department traffic investigator Andrew Garton, undergoing surgery Thursday night. "Our hearts go out to the officers involved in this tragedy," Torrance police Sgt. Jeremiah Hart said. The officers were traveling southbound on Hawthorne Boulevard in Torrance, providing traffic control for the funeral procession of Officer Mark Vasquez, when they collided near 227th Street, Hart said. The California Highway Patrol is handling the investigation. Details about how the crash occurred were not disclosed, although Hart said both officers were traveling south on Hawthorne Boulevard. It was not clear if the two officers - from different police departments - were using the same radio frequency, Hart said. He said officers go through extensive training before



El Segundo

Sgt. Rex Fowler. (Daily Breeze file photo) participating in funeral processions. "Every time a funeral procession is done there is a plan, and they get together to discuss safety," he said. The officers were engaged in what's known as leapfrogging, in which motor officers handling traffic control during funeral processions block vehicles at alternating major intersections. When the procession passes the officer at the rear, he races up to the front of the procession to block the forthcoming intersection. After the collision, Garton was hurled into oncoming northbound traffic and collided with a black Toyota



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sedan in the lane closest to the median, Hart said. The windshield of the Toyota was cracked but the driver was uninjured. Rescue teams performed CPR on Garton as he lay in the street. Fowler also appeared to be thrown from his BMW motorcycle, which sat on its side in the street - its blue lights still flashing - while emergency workers treated him near the center median. Hawthorne Boulevard in Torrance was closed in both directions between Sepulveda Boulevard and 230th Street for hours after the crash. Police officers from several departments - in the area for the funeral - rushed to the scene, and Torrance officers redirected traffic through neighborhood streets, bringing the afternoon commute to a near-standstill. Onlookers lined the sidewalk as medical teams worked on the two fallen officers. Police helicopters circled overhead and television news crews descended on the scene. Witnesses said they heard sirens followed by a loud crash, and there were reports that the officers were traveling at high speed. Stephanie Hemphill was in a nutrition store store up the street when she first saw the line of police vehicles making its way along the street. "I saw the funeral procession - then all of a sudden, cops everywhere," she said. "I heard one was going fast, like he was trying to catch up with the procession." "There are pieces (of the officer's bikes) everywhere," added Hemphill. "Just based on the amount of debris, it looks like someone was going pretty fast." Dave Norwell was shopping at a computer store, just steps away from the accident site, when he heard the loud crash. "From the sound, it was obvious it was pretty bad," Norwell said. "It's terrible something like this could happen under the circumstances of a funeral." Vasquez, the Manhattan Beach police officer, died May 15 after a battle with multiple myeloma, a blood disorder. He was 36. The procession from American Martyrs Catholic

Church in Manhattan Beach was headed southbound on Hawthorne Boulevard on its way to Green Hills Memorial Park in Rancho Palos Verdes. Several witnesses described the procession as disorganized and chaotic as it wound through the South Bay. Suzanne Scott, who had known Vasquez from the time they were in elementary school and attended the funeral, said she was in a minor four-vehicle collision as the procession made its way through Manhattan Beach. After the accident near Manhattan Beach and Aviation Boulevards, Scott was taken to a local hospital with minor injuries, where she heard about the Hawthorne Boulevard crash. "It was chaotic," Scott said. "There were just so many people." In 2007, Fowler wrote a "A Frangible Quest," a book honoring his mentor, Mike Lunsford, a El Segundo police officer who died in a car accident in 1992 after 24 years on the force. During an afternoon news conference, Hart expressed condolences to the families of the officers involved in the accident. "This is one tragedy on top of another," he said. "We're going to deal with it together, as a family, a department and as a community." douglas.morino@dailybreeze.comlarry.altman@dailybreeze.com Staff writer

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