



1  
2  
3  
4  
5  
6  
7  
8  
9  
10  
11  
12  
13  
14  
15  
16  
17  
18  
19  
20  
21  
22  
23  
24  
25  
26

STATE OF WASHINGTON )  
 ) ss.  
COUNTY OF PIERCE )

PAUL MIELBRECHT, being first duly sworn on oath, deposes and states  
as follows:

1. That I am currently a Captain with the Tacoma Police  
Department, and have been employed with the Department since 1977, and  
am over the age of eighteen and competent to testify herein.

2. That I had supervisory duties over the Clandestine Lab Team  
from May, 1996, to October, 2000.

3. That beginning 1997, Sgt. Ramsdell was the Commander of the  
Clandestine Lab Team. In 1998, Ramsdell was promoted to lieutenant.

4. At that time, he was the only certified team leader that was  
available for this duty.

5. As soon as someone else became certified and was available, Lt.  
Ramsdell was removed from his duties as team commander.

6. In 1999, interviews were conducted of interested people for  
positions on the Clandestine Lab Team.

7. Lt. Kirby was not selected by the interview cadre. We were not  
looking for commanders, but for line personnel. With another ranking officer on  
the team, it can create conflicts on the issue of command and control; thus, we  
try to adhere to the chain of command structure when staffing our teams.

1

FURTHER YOUR AFFIANT SAYETH NAUGHT.

2

3



PAUL MIELBRECHT

4

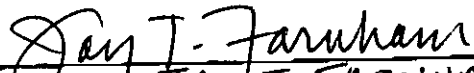
5

SUBSCRIBED and SWORN to before me this 6 day of January,

6

2003.

7



Printed Name: JAY T FARNHAM

8

NOTARY PUBLIC in and for the State of

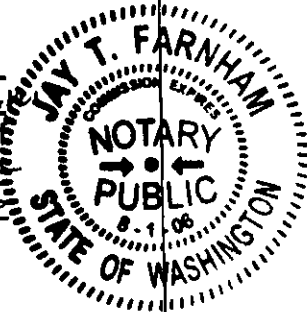
9

Washington, residing at: Tacoma

10

My commission expires: 8-1-06

11



12

13

14

15

16

17

18

19

20

21

22

23

24

25

26