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Federal Prison System

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Federal Correctional Institution SUBJECT:

Terminal Island, CA 90731

VISITING REGULATIONS

INSTITUTION SUPPLEMENT

1. <u>PURPOSE</u>: To define and establish local procedures for inmate visiting at the Federal Correctional Institution (FCI), Terminal Island, California.

2. DIRECTIVES AFFECTED:

A. <u>Directives Rescinded</u>: I.S. 5267.08B, same subject (12/3/07)

B. Directives Referenced:

P.S. 5267.08 Visiting Regulations (05/11/2006)

P.S. 5267.07 Visiting Regulations (04/14/03)

P.S. 5510.12 Searching, Detaining, or Arresting Visitors to Bureau Grounds and Facilities (01/15/08)

P.S. 1315.07 Inmate Legal Activities (11/05/99)

- 3. <u>STANDARDS REFERENCED</u>: American Correctional Association 4th Edition Standards for Adult Correctional Institution: 4-4267, 4-4285, 4-4498, 4-4499, 4-4491-1, 4-4503, 4-4504.
- 4. VISITING HOURS. Visiting is permitted as follows:

Friday, Saturday, Sunday, Monday, and Federal Holidays 7:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday

No visiting

5. FREQUENCY OF VISITS AND NUMBER OF VISITORS. Each inmate has the opportunity to receive 40 points of visiting each month. On weekdays, one hour of visiting is equal to one point per person. On holidays and weekends, one hour of visiting will equal two points per person. Due to space limitations, only five visitors may visit an inmate at one time. This

limitation includes children.

6. VISITOR APPROVAL PROCEDURES.

- a. During the admission and orientation period, each inmate will submit a proposed list of visitors to his unit team. Inmates will mail Attachment 1 and 2 to all prospective visitors. Prospective visitors who are not recognized as immediate family will also be forwarded the Visitor Information form (BP-S629.052). Additionally, unit staff may require a completed Visitor Information Form for immediate family members with serious criminal histories. Required Visitors Information Forms must be completed and returned to the unit staff prior to the individual being approved to visit. Inmate's may request to modify their visiting list by adding or deleting visitors at any time through their Unit Team.
- b. The unit manager will review all prospective visiting applications after the investigation process is completed. A prospective visitor with any drug-related conviction, or any other serious convictions in his/her background, requires the approval of the Associate Warden Programs before being approved for placement on an inmate's visiting list.
- c. Immediate family members will ordinarily be approved to visit. Other relatives, friends, and associates will require background reviews and the approval of the unit team. Overall, up to 20 visitors may be placed on an inmate's visiting list.
- d. For inmates transferring in with completed visiting lists, unit staff will review and approve/disapprove existing visitors as appropriate within one week of receiving the inmate's Central File.
- e. Visitors with special needs for medications or medical devices are required to notify the inmate's Unit Manager in advance of visiting to obtain approval to retain the medication or medical device, the only exception is nitroglycerin. Once approval is granted by the Unit Manager it is the responsibility of the inmate to inform their visitors of visiting approval.

7. VISITOR DISAPPROVING PROCEDURES.

- a. Visitors with any criminal convictions must be approved by the Warden prior to the prospective visitor being added to the inmate's visiting list.
- b. Visitors having NCIC background information deemed inappropriate for approval will not be permitted to visit.

8. VISITORS FOR OTHER THAN GENERAL POPULATION INMATES.

- a. Visiting for inmates presenting special security or separation needs such as inmates housed in Special Housing Unit, Short-Stay Unit and the Community Hospital will be referred to the Captain.
- b. The Captain will determine whether visitation for SHU inmates will occur in the SHU non-contact visiting area or the regular visiting room. When practical, visitation may be allowed in the visiting room.
- c. Careful review of hospitalized inmates is necessary prior to authorizing visits. When an inmate is in the Short Stay Unit, the respective Unit Manager will consult with the Health Services Administrator and the Captain, to determine if the inmate will be allowed to visit. Ordinarily, when an inmate is hospitalized at a local outside hospital, he will not receive visits.

9. VISITING REGULATIONS.

- a. All visitors, with the exception of children under 16 years of age will be required to present photo identification issued by a recognized government agency. Visitors from outside the United States may present as identification the following: government issued Resident Alien card or B1/B2 Visa Card. Otherwise, identification includes a valid state issued driver's license, state or government issued identification card, or passport. The visitor's identification will be retained by visiting room staff. When the visitor is escorted from the visiting room, the escort officer will utilize the identification to process the visitor through the control room Sallyport and then return the ID to the visitor.
- b. Visitors under the age of 18 must have a parent and/or quardian sign the visitor information form.

- c. Children under the age of 16 must be accompanied by an adult already approved to visit the inmate.
- d. Visitors are prohibited from bringing animals to the institution, with the exception of dogs assisting persons with disabilities. In these circumstances, the visitor must provide staff with certification the dog is trained for that purpose.
- e. Under no circumstances shall the visiting room officer accept articles, gifts of any kind, or money for an inmate.
- f. Inmates will be pat-searched upon entering, and visually searched upon exiting the visiting room.
- g. All inmates must wear institution issued clothing in the visiting room: khaki shirts buttoned up to the second from the top button and tucked in; pants with an institution belt, T-shirt, socks, underwear; and shoes. Tennis shoes are **not** permitted. No jewelry may be worn in the visiting room, with the exception of a wedding band and authorized religious medal/chain. Prescription glasses and religious headgear are permitted. No personal items will be kept in the shakedown room.

Unauthorized items must be returned to the unit by the inmate. Medication, such as nitroglycerin tablets, may be permitted when authorized by Health Services staff and will be maintained by the Visiting Room Officer.

- h. Money will not be accepted for deposit to inmate accounts through the visiting room. Inmates are not allowed to handle or retain money in the visiting room. Inmates are not authorized to use the vending machines at any time.
- i. Currency is not permitted inside the visiting room. Each visitor will be limited to \$25.00 in coins.
- j. The Visiting Room Officer may assign seating to an inmate and his visitor(s). Visitors or inmates are not allowed to move chairs/tables. Inmates will remain seated throughout the visit unless given permission by the visiting room officer to move (e.g., to use the restroom).

- k. Each inmate having a visit must assume responsibility for proper conduct during the visit. Each inmate will supervise his visiting children and not permit the children to wander from the immediate area, run about the visiting room, or create noise that disturbs other visits. Failure to supervise children will result in one warning and upon a second incident, either during the same visit or subsequent visits, the visit will be terminated. A log entry will be maintained on all incidents. Incident reports will be written for misconduct.
- 1. Kissing and embracing are only permitted at the beginning and end of a visit. At no time will excessive physical contact be allowed.
- m. No loud, boisterous talk, or profane language will be allowed in the visiting area.
- n. Inmates requiring the use of a wheelchair will be transferred into a wheelchair provided by the Health Services Department during their visit. As previously indicated, visitors with special needs for medical devices are required to notify the inmate's Unit Manager in advance of visiting to obtain approval to retain the medical device.
- o. Inmates may take legal or other documents into the visiting room only with the pre-approval of the unit team and the Captain. This approval must be documented via memorandum and provided to the visiting room officers.
- p. There is a children's play area within the visiting room. Visitors under the age of 16 may use this area. The children may play card games, dominoes, or watch television in this area. Children must sit with the parent when not in the play area. Parents are responsible for their children's behavior. Unruly, loud or disruptive behavior may be grounds to terminate the visit. There is no food or drinks allowed in the play area. Inmates are not permitted in this area.
- 10. <u>AUTHORIZED VISITORS</u>. Inmates may have an approved visiting list of twenty (20) visitors. The Warden may make an exception to this provision when warranted. All prospective visitors, other than confirmed immediate family members, may

be subject to a background check and approval by institution staff. The inmate must have known the proposed visitor(s) prior to incarceration. The Warden must approve any exception to this requirement. Exceptions to the prior relationship rule may be made, particularly for inmates without other visitors, when it is shown that the proposed visitor is reliable and poses no threat to the security or good order of the institution.

The following procedures shall be in effect for authorized visiting lists. Since all new commitments are involved in the Admission and Orientation Program, inmates are encouraged not to schedule social visits within the first four days of incarceration at FCI Terminal Island. This procedure will allow time for staff to review and complete all visiting lists. During initial orientation, each inmate will complete a visiting list. At this time each inmate will be asked to identify whether any visitor will require accommodations due to disability or physical handicap. The visiting list will be forwarded to the appropriate Unit Counselor for processing. A copy of the Visiting Instructions will be given to each inmate and should be sent by the inmate to his approved visitors. Visitors who will require reasonable accommodation will be asked to notify the institution of their needs prior to visiting. Inmates may modify their visiting list by submitting a written request to his Counselor.

11. RECORDS OF VISITORS/BACKUP SYSTEM TO THE COMPUTER VISITING PROGRAM.

The procedures used to maintain a record of visitors for each inmate is also utilized as a backup to the computer visiting program. The unit team will provide a hard copy of the official updated inmate visiting list that are printed by the first of the month and forwarded to the lobby visiting officer and are maintained in the front lobby file cabinet. In addition, a hard copy of the computer generated visiting list will be maintained in the Lieutenant's office as well. These lists will be alphabetized by the inmates' last name. Documentation of suspended or terminated visits will also be maintained.

12. SPECIAL VISITS.

- a. Special Non-Social Visits: Individuals requiring to visit inmates housed at FCI Terminal Island must receive advanced written approval from the appropriate department head prior to entering the institution. These individuals include, but are not limited to: court appointed psychologist, medical personnel, clergy, educational and religious volunteers, and representatives of the media. Special non social visits must be supervised by the requesting department. In addition all such visits must be reviewed by the Captain and approved by the AW(P).
- b. Special Social Visits: If a special social visit is requested by an inmate, it must be approved by the Captain. The inmate must make the request through their Unit Team. The Unit Team will review the request and verify the relationship and forward the approval request to the Captain via a BP-148 (Inmate Request to Staff). These visits will be held in the visiting room, and will be supervised by visiting room staff during regularly scheduled visiting hours.

13. LEGAL VISITS.

- a. Attorneys shall make an advance appointment for the visit through the Warden prior to each legal visit. When prior notification is not practical, i.e., Federal Court Order, exigent or legal circumstances or sufficient legal cause, the attorney should be allowed to visit the inmate after presenting a valid bar card and valid photo identification. Staff may call the California Bar (415-538-2000), to verify the status of a California licensed attorney. Staff should consult with legal staff to verify the status of attorneys licensed to practice in other states. These visits will be coordinated through the unit team.
- b. Attorneys may be added to the inmate's visiting list. These requests will be referred to the inmate's unit team for processing. In order to be added to the visiting list, the attorney must send in a copy of his or her bar card and photo identification. Ordinarily, unit teams do not need to run a criminal background check on the attorney beyond verification with the state bar.
- c. Attorneys' assistants, law clerks, investigators, paralegals, or interpreters will not be permitted to visit until the attorney whom they assist receives prior

approval from the Warden's Office. The attorney must submit a signed statement to the Warden pursuant to 28 C.F.R. 543.16. Individuals acting as an attorney's representative, who have had a previous social relationship with an inmate, may visit the inmate only in the presence of the attorney and only during the inmate's regular social visit (i.e., legal or social) at the time.

- d. Legal visits will take priority over social visits if crowding occurs. However, if an attorney or other legal visitor is visiting socially, there will be no priority for that visit.
- e. Attorney visits will take place in one of three legal visiting rooms. If all rooms are in use, the attorney will be offered the opportunity to meet with his or her client in an area within the visiting room that would allow a degree of privacy.
- f. Tape recorders or other electronic devices are not permitted in the institution without the written approval from the Warden.
- g. Legal documents brought in by an Attorney may not be given to the inmate to keep. Any legal documents that an Attorney would like the inmate to have will be mailed into the institution. In accordance with legal on special mail requirements.
- h. Inmates who bring any documentation to a legal visit must first have it screened by an officer for contraband. When the inmate leaves his legal visit the officer will again screen the documents for any contraband.
- 14. PRISONER VISITATION AND SUPPORT. The Prisoner Visitation and Support Program (PVS) is a valuable volunteer program. The focus of PVS has always been to visit and provide moral support to inmates who do not ordinarily receive visits from family and friends. Through this program inmates who are otherwise alienated from the community have the opportunity to develop healthy relationships and benefit from interaction with PVS volunteers.

PVS Volunteers at Terminal Island are allowed to carry paper and writing instruments into the visiting room. They are to be processed at the front lobby as volunteers. Their visits are not to be charged against their social visits, but will be

conducted during normal visiting hours. They are expected to adhere to the institution dress code and visiting policy.

- 15. <u>HOLDOVER PROCEDURES</u>. Holdover inmates will be subject to the provisions of this institution supplement, if approved for visiting privileges. If a visit is approved the visit will take place in the Special Housing Unit.
- 16. MONITORING PROCEDURES. Visitors and inmates in the visiting room are subject to video monitoring and staff surveillance. Visitors entering the institution are subject to electronic screening for the presence of metal objects and drugs.
- **17.** TERMINATION OF VISITS. The Operations Lieutenant and Institution Duty Officer (IDO) may immediately terminate any visit for failure on the part of either the inmate or visitor to comply with visiting regulations. In all such cases, the Operations Lieutenant involved will submit a written report to the Captain, with a copy to the appropriate Unit Manager, for further evaluation of the situation. Termination of visiting privileges may result. The Visiting Room Officer will initiate an incident report if termination was due to improper conduct or violation of established rules and regulations. Termination of inmate visits due to overcrowding will be based on distance traveled by the visitor and frequency of visits. Those visitors who live close to the institution and visit frequently will be the first to be terminated.
- 18. <u>VISITOR ISSUES</u>. Any questions by visitors regarding visitation which cannot be immediately resolved by visiting room officers or front lobby staff will be referred to the IDO and in his/her absence to the Operations Lieutenant.
- 19. VERIFYING VISITORS FOR EXIT. Verification of a visitor will be accomplished by examining the fluorescent stamp on the visitor's left hand with an approved ultraviolet light prior to leaving the visiting room. If the fluorescent stamp is not visible, the visitor will not be permitted to exit. The Operations Lieutenant and the IDO will be notified immediately. Visitors will not be allowed to exit the visiting room until proper identification and accountability of the inmate and visitor have been established.
- 20. <u>ADVERSE WEATHER CONDITIONS (FOG WATCH)</u>. When Fog Watch is deemed necessary by the Captain or the Operations Lieutenant and visiting is in session, the Front Lobby officer will continue to process inmate visitors as normal. The Visiting

Room Officer will be responsible for notifying the North/South Yard Officer via radio, providing the officers with the following information: Inmate's name, register number and housing unit. Once the inmate is ready for an escort, the North/South Yard Officer or available staff will escort the inmate to the visiting room. Inmates will be escorted in groups of 5 inmates per 1 staff member. Inmates from F and G units will be escorted thru the UNICOR area rather than thru the seawall area. The Captain and Duty Officer will be notified immediately regarding any conditions which may warrant consideration to cancel visiting. These questionable conditions will be assessed by the Captain, Operations Lieutenant and the Duty Officer prior to the Captain approving the cancellation of visiting.

Once Fog watch is cleared by the Captain or Operations Lieutenant, the institution will run its normal operations, to include visiting.

21. OFFICE OF PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITY: Correctional Services.

Joseph K. Woodring
Warden

BUREAU OF PRISONS FEDERAL CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTION 1299 SEASIDE AVE TERMINAL ISLAND, CALIFORNIA 90731

Attachment 1

GENERAL VISITING INFORMATION

Visiting is permitted as follows:

Friday, Saturday, Sunday, Monday, and Federal Holidays 7:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday No visiting

Visiting will be limited to a maximum of 186 total persons in the visiting room. This total includes visitors and inmates.

Parking in the institution parking lot is authorized for visitors on weekends and holidays. Visitors will park in the back row where the spaces are marked green. Visitors found to be in violation of this parking policy, will have their visit terminated immediately. In addition, future visits may be suspended.

The processing of visitors will begin 30 minutes prior to visiting. Visitors arriving at the institution earlier will be asked to leave and return at an appropriate time. Visitors will be given a "Notification to Visitors" Form, an admittance number, and then be directed to the proper parking areas. Once all forms are completed, the visitor(s) will continue processing in the lobby area. After being processed through the lobby, the visitors will be required to leave their identification with the visiting room staff.

At the conclusion of visiting, inmates will say their good-byes at the tables. Visitors will remain seated while the inmates are accounted for and moved to the rear of the visiting area. Once this process is completed, visitors will be processed out from the front to the back of the visiting room. Under no circumstances will visitors be processed if the visitors have walked to the front visiting door without staff authorization.

All visitors are required to depart the institution property immediately after visiting.

ATTACHMENT 2

VISITING INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. All prospective visitors must be approved by unit staff before their names are added to the visiting list. It will be the responsibility of the inmate to notify his visitors when they have been approved for visiting. You may wish to verify your approval with the inmate prior to your visit to avoid an unnecessary trip.
- 2. Ordinarily, all immediate family members will be approved to visit. Immediate family includes mother, father, stepparents, foster parents, brothers and sisters, spouse, and children. The visiting privilege will ordinarily be extended to those who have an established relationship with the inmate prior to confinement. The total number of approved visitors will not exceed 20.
- 3. All visitors who are not immediate family must complete and mail the Visitor Information form (BP-S629.052) to the assigned unit team. Visitors under the age of 18 must have a parent and/or guardian sign the Visitor Information form (BP-S629.052).
- 4. Children under the age of 16 must be accompanied by an adult already approved to visit the inmate. Supervision of children will be the joint responsibility of the adult visitor and the

inmate.

- 5. All visitors, with the exception of children under 16 years of age will be required to present photo identification issued by a recognized government agency. Visitors from outside the United States may present as identification the following: Resident Alien card, Employment Authorization Card, or a B1/B2 Visa Card. Otherwise, identification includes a valid state issued driver license, state or government issued identification card, or passport. In addition, the visitor's identification will be retained by visiting room staff. When the visitor is escorted from the visiting room, the escort officer will utilize the identification to process the visitor through the control room sallyport and then return the ID to the visitor. Attorneys will provide a current bar card for identification purposes. Failure to produce proper identification will be cause for denial of visiting as an attorney. However, if the attorney who is approved on an inmates visiting list can be treated as a regular visitor as long as they can provide proper state or government issued identification.
- 6. Visitors arriving at Terminal Island by vehicle will be required to place the license plate number and corresponding state on the Notification to Visitor form.
- 7. Only five visitors, including children, are authorized to visit an inmate at any one time.
- 8. Visitors under the influence of alcohol or drugs will not be authorized entrance into the institution.
- 9. All visitors who wish to enter the institution must dress appropriately. Attire considered unacceptable is listed below. However, this list is not all inclusive.
 - Garments which reveal portions of the upper torso, cleavage and undergarments
 (i.e., halter tops, midriffs, etc.).
 - b. Sleeveless garments (i.e., tank tops, spaghetti strap dresses), which do not completely cover the top of the shoulder.
 - c. Athletic garments (i.e., tight) garments.
 - d. Spandex or form fitting (i.e., tight) garments.
 - e. Shorts.
 - f. Skirts/dresses above the knee.
 - g. Khaki, tan, and light brown colored shirts or pants or other garments that resemble inmate attire.

- h. Fatigues, camouflaged and or military designed garments.
- i. See-through garments (able to see skin tones or the outline of undergarments).
- j. Hats.
- k. Non-prescription sunglasses.

Other attire deemed questionable may prevent visitors from entering the institution. Questions regarding visitors dress will be referred to the Duty officer or Operations Lieutenant for final resolution. The above does not apply to children ten years or younger.

- 10. Other attire deemed questionable may prevent visitors from entering the institution. Questions regarding visitors dress will be referred to the Institutions Duty officer or Operations Lieutenant for final resolution. The above does not apply children ten years or younger.
- 11. Food, to include candy, gum or beverages, will not be brought into the institution, with the exception of infant food as noted below. Additionally, visitors will not be allowed to depart It is not permissible for inmates to accompany visitors to the vending machine.
- 12. It is not permissible to bring gifts or packages of any type to an inmate. Money will not be accepted for an inmate's account. All money for an inmate must be mailed to the National Lock Box. No written messages will be exchanged or signed during visiting without authorization. Such transactions should be handled through correspondence.
- 13. A greeting a farewell embrace is permissible. All contact must be consistent with proper order and good taste. Excessive physical contact will not be tolerated and will result in the immediate termination of visits.
- 14. Cameras or tape recorders are not allowed inside the visiting room without the prior written approval of the Warden.
- 15. Visitors are authorized to carry the following items into the visiting room:
 - a. Change purse (clear plastic only, no longer than 8 inches).
 - b. \$25 (in coins)
 - c. Comb.
 - d. Heart Medication.
 - e. Jewelry worn.

f. Sealed infant formula, plastic baby bottles, (two of each), baby diapers (three each).

No stroller or diaper bags are allowed in the visiting room, only clear plastic bags.

- 16. Visiting room Officers have the authority to seat visitors and inmates in designated areas deemed appropriate for proper supervision.
- 17. FCI Terminal Island is a tobacco free facility, therefore no tobacco is authorized in the visiting room.
- 18. Attorneys are subject to the same regulations as social visitors. Attorney client rooms available in visiting room, and are subject to staff observation.
- 19. Currently Terminal Island does not have lockers for inmate visitors to store unauthorized items. All personal items that are not authorized in the visiting will need to be placed in the visitors POV.

NOTE: Title 18 U.S.C. of the sections 791 and 3571: Provides a penalty of imprisonment of not more than twenty years, a fine of more than \$250,00 or both, to a person who, in violation of a statue, rule or order issued pursuant to that statute, provides, or attempts to provide, to an inmate anything whatsoever without the Warden's knowledge and consent. This includes, but is not limited to such objects as firearms, weapons, narcotics, drugs and currency.

Visitors are encouraged not to wear clothing with high metal content, such as a western style shirt with metal buttons. Clothing with high metal content will activate the metal detectors, and may slow down your in processing for visiting.

ATTACHMENT 3

Directions to the
Federal Correctional Institution
1299 Seaside Avenue
Terminal Island, CA 90731
310-831-8961

From Long Beach, CA: Travel west on Ocean Boulevard or south on Interstate 710 over the Gerald Desmond Bridge. After you pass through three traffic lights, you will see an exit sign indicating Ferry Street. Take that exit, which exits to the right. This is Seaside Avenue. Continue to the traffic light and make a left. This is Ferry Street. Continue to the third traffic light, which will be the intersection of Terminal Way. Turn right on Terminal Way and continue. The road will curve to the left and the name changes once again to Seaside Avenue. Continue down Seaside and the road will lead you to the entrance to the institution. Enter the FCI Administration Building which is on the left just beyond the entrance to the federal reservation. Visitors are processed into the institution in the front lobby of the Administration Building. There is limited visitors' parking available and it is likely you will need to park in the parking lot near the seawall outside the entrance to the federal reservation. DO NOT DRIVE OR WALK PAST THE GUARD TOWER LOCATED JUST PAST THE ENTRANCE TO THE ADMINISTRATIVE BUILDING PARKING.

From the Harbor Freeway: Travel south on Interstate 110 toward San Pedro. Just before the highway ends, take the exit for the Vincent Thomas Bridge to Terminal Island (Route 47). After you cross the bridge, take Ferry Street exit on the right. At the traffic light turn left. This is Ferry Street. At the second traffic light, turn right on Terminal Way. Continue until the road curves to the left and the name changes to Seaside Avenue. Continue down Seaside and the road will lead you to the entrance to the institution. Enter the FCI Administration Building which is on the left just beyond the entrance

to the federal reservation. Visitors are processed into the institution in the front lobby of the Administration Building. There is limited visitors' parking available and it is likely you will need to park in the parking lot near the seawall outside the entrance to the federal reservation. DO NOT DRIVE OR WALK PAST THE GUARD TOWER LOCATED JUST PAST THE ENTRANCE TO THE ADMINISTRATIVE BUILDING PARKING.

Local transportation information can be obtained by contacting the following resources: VISITLONGBEACH.COM, LONG BEACH.GOV

Long Beach Transit (562) 591-8753

Long Beach Yellow Cab (562) 435-6111

Cab Fare (Yellow Cab) Flat Fees from Long Beach Airport to:

\$19 Downtown/Hotels/Long Beach Convention Center \$24 Long Beach Queen Mary Hotel \$36 Disneyland or Anaheim Convention Center \$36 San Pedro/Cruise Ships \$49 LAX \$49 Orange County/John Wayne Airport