

CLAIM

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF CONTRA COSTA COUNTY

May 19, 2026

NOTICE TO CLAIMANT

Claim Against the County, or District Governed by)
the Board of Supervisors, Routing Endorsements,)
and Board Action. All Section references are to)
California Government Codes.)

The copy of this document mailed to you is your notice of the)
action taken on your claim by the Board of Supervisors)
(Paragraph IV below), given Pursuant to Government Code)
Sections 913, 915.2, 915.4. Please note the "Warning")

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AMOUNT: In excess of \$1,000,000.00

COUNTY COUNSEL
MARTINEZ, CALIF.

CLAIMANT: Tena M. Kuhl

ATTORNEY: Alivia Abreu, Esq.

ADDRESS: 660 S. Figueroa St., Sky Lobby
Los Angeles, CA 90017

BY DELIVERY TO COB ON: 04/22/2026

BY MAIL TO COB POSTMARKED: _____

I. FROM: Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

TO: County Counsel

Attached is a copy of the above-noted Claim.

Dated: April 22, 2026

By: [Signature], Deputy

II. FROM: County Counsel

TO: Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

This claim complies substantially with Sections 910 and 910.2.

This claim FAILS to comply substantially with Sections 910 and 910.2, and we are so notifying claimant. The Board cannot act for 15 days (Section 910.8).

Claim is not timely filed. The Clerk should return the claim on the ground that it was filed late and send warning of claimant's right to apply for leave to present a late claim (Section 911.3).

Other: This claim concerns an entity other than Contra Costa County.

Dated: 4-22-26

By: [Signature], Deputy County Counsel

III. FROM: Clerk of the Board TO: County Counsel (1) County Administrator (2)

Claim was returned as untimely with notice to claimant (Section 911.3).

Dated: _____ By: _____, Deputy

IV. STAFF REPORT: By unanimous vote of the Supervisors present:

This claim is rejected in full.

Other: _____

I certify that this is a true and correct copy of the Board's Order entered in its minutes for this date.

Dated: 05/19/26 MONICA NINO, Clerk, By [Signature] Deputy Clerk

WARNING (Gov. Code section 913)

Subject to certain exceptions, you have only six (6) months from the date of this notice was personally delivered or deposited in the mail to file a court action on this claim. See Government Code Section 945.6. You may seek the advice of an attorney of your choice in connection with this matter. If you desire to consult with an attorney, you should do so immediately.

*For Additional Warning See Reverse Side of This Notice.

AFFIDAVIT OF MAILING

I declare under penalty of perjury that I am now, and at all times herein mentioned, have been a citizen of the United States, over age 18; and that today I deposited in the United States Postal Service in Martinez, California, postage fully prepaid a certified copy of this Board Order and Notice to Claimant, addressed to the claimant or claimant's attorney as shown above.

Dated: 05/19/26 MONICA NINO, Clerk, By [Signature] Deputy Clerk

This warning does not apply to claims which are not subject to the California Tort Claims Act, such as actions in inverse condemnation, actions for specific relief such as mandamus or injunction, or Federal Civil Rights claims. The above list is not exhaustive and legal consultation is essential to understand all the separate limitations periods that may apply. The limitations period within which suit must be filed may be shorter or longer depending on the nature of the claim. Consult the specific statutes and cases applicable to your particular claim.

The County of Contra Costa does not waive any of its rights under California Tort Claims Act nor does it waive its rights under the statutes of limitations applicable to actions not subject to the California Tort Claims Act.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF CONTRA COSTA COUNTY
INSTRUCTIONS TO CLAIMANT

- A. A claim relating to a cause of action for death or for injury to person or to personal property or growing crops shall be presented not later than six months after the accrual of the cause of action. A claim relating to any other cause of action shall be presented not later than one year after the accrual of the cause of action.
(Gov. Code § 911.2.)
- B. Claims must be filed with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors at its office located at: County Administration Building, 1025 Escobar Street, 1st Floor, Martinez, CA 94553.
- C. If claim is against a district governed by the Board of Supervisors, rather than the County, the name of the District should be filed in.
- D. If the claim is against more than one public entity, separate claims must be filed against each public entity.
- E. Fraud- See penalty or fraudulent claims, Penal Code Sec. 72 at the end of this form.

RE: Claim By: _____)
 Tena M. Kuhl)
 _____)
 _____)
 Against the County of Contra Costa or)
 _____) District)
 (Fill in the name))
 _____)
 _____)

Reserved for Clerk's filing stamp



The undersigned claimant hereby makes claim against the County of Contra Costa or the above-named district in the sum of \$ 1,000,000.00 ^{in excess of} and in support of the claim represents as follows:

1. When did the damage or injury occur? (Give exact date and hour)
1/9/2026 at 5:00 p.m.
2. Where did the damage or injury occur? (Include city and county)
Carlson Blvd., & S. 47th St., Richmond, CA 94804
3. How did the damage or injury occur? (Give full details; use extra paper if required)
Please see Attachment "A"
4. What particular act or omission on the part of county or district officers, servants or employees caused the damage or injury?
Please see Attachment "A"
5. What are the names of county or district officers, servants or employees causing the damage or injury?
TBD
6. What damage or injuries do you claim resulted? (Give full extent of injuries or damages claimed. Attach two estimates for auto damage.)
Neck, back, hip pain, bruising across the area where the seatbelt was positioned, spasms in neck and brain clip implant dislodged.

- 7. How was the amount claimed above computed? (Include the estimated amount of any prospective damage or injury.)
Please see Attachment "A"
- 8. Names and addresses of witnesses, doctors and hospitals:
Kaiser Permanente - 25 N Via Monte, Walnut Creek, CA 94598
- 9. List the expenditures you made on account of the accident or injury:


<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
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Please see Attachment "A"

) Gov. Code Sec. 910.2 provides "The claim shall be signed by the claimant or by some person on his behalf.)

SEND NOTICES TO: (Attorney)

Name and address of Attorney
 Wilshire Law Firm, PLC
 Attn: Alivia Abreu, Esq.
 660 S. Figueroa St., Sky Lobby
 Los Angeles, CA 90017

) Signed by:

 8410FB201D35495 (Claimant's Signature)

) (Address)

) Telephone No. 213-381-9988) Telephone No. _____

PUBLIC RECORDS NOTICE:

Please be advised that this claim form, or any claim filed with the County under the Tort Claims Act is subject to public disclosure under the California Public Records Act. (Gov. Code §§ 6500 et seq.) Furthermore, any attachments, addendums, or supplements attached to the claim form, including medical records, are also subject to public disclosure.

NOTICE:

Section 72 of the Penal Code provides:

Every person who, with intent to defraud, presents for allowance or for payment to any state board or officer, or to any county, city or district board or officer, authorized to allow or pay the same if genuine, any false or fraudulent claim, bill, account voucher, or writing, is punishable either by imprisonment in the County jail for a period of not more than one year, by a fine of not exceeding one thousand dollars (\$1000.00), or by both such imprisonment and fine, or by imprisonment in the state prison, by a fine of not exceeding ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.000, or by both such imprisonment and fine.

ATTACHMENT A

1 Claimant TENA M. KUHL (hereafter "Claimant") hereby presents the following
2 information in support of her claim(s) against the COUNTY OF CONTRA COSTA in satisfaction
3 of the requirements under Government Code section 910, and as supplement to the COUNTY OF
4 CONTRA COSTA'S claim form.

5 **General Description of the Damage, Loss, or Indebtedness Incurred**

6 On or around January 9, 2026, at 5:00 p.m., a dangerous condition on the roadway caused
7 serious injury and damage to Claimant when she was traveling in her vehicle upon a
8 public, County-maintained highway. As Claimant used due care and drove her vehicle on Carlson
9 Blvd., approaching S. 47th St., Claimant encountered a dangerous condition on the highway
10 which caused a vehicle traveling along S. 47th St. to collide with Claimant's vehicle. The other
11 vehicle subsequently fled the scene. Claimant's injuries include, but are not limited to, the
12 following: Neck, back, hip pain, bruising across area where the seatbelt was positioned,
13 spasms in the neck, brain clip implant was dislodged.

14 If Claimant files a lawsuit related to this matter, we will file it as an unlimited civil case
15 and allege monetary damages in an amount greater than the jurisdictional minimum. Medical
16 records and completed treatment are pending as treatment is ongoing.

17 **Why is the Government Entity Responsible?**

18 This governmental entity is responsible for Claimant's injuries because, based upon
19 information and belief, said entity owned, leased, occupied, and/or controlled the roadway where
20 the accident occurred on January 9, 2026, and was negligent in the use or maintenance of such
21 property. On that date, Defendant negligently failed to obey a traffic control light and collided
22 with Claimant. The entity failed to use reasonable care to keep the property in a reasonably
23 safe condition and/or failed to use reasonable care to discover any unsafe conditions and to
24 repair, replace, or give adequate warning of anything that could be reasonably expected to harm
25 others, including inadequate or non-functioning traffic signals; insufficient lighting; lack of
26 proper signage; and failure to implement appropriate traffic control measures necessary for
27 the safe movement of vehicles, reasonably apparent to or anticipated by a person using due care,
28 including Claimant; inadequate signage, warnings, or other traffic safety devices on the
intersection; creation

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1 of a concealed trap; and/or other defects that may be established through discovery.

2 Even if this entity did not own or lease the property, it controlled the roadway and was
3 therefore responsible for maintaining, in reasonably safe condition, all areas that it controlled,
4 including but not limited to, the absence or inadequacy of roadway monitoring systems, such as
5 traffic cameras; insufficient or defective lighting; inadequate signage, warnings, or other traffic
6 safety devices, including those related to the crosswalk; and failure to implement appropriate
7 traffic control measures necessary for the safe movement of vehicles and pedestrians. The
8 condition of the property created an unreasonable risk of harm that the entity knew, or through the
9 exercise of reasonable care, should have known about but failed to repair, protect against, or give
10 adequate warning of the condition to Claimant.

11 This government entity had a duty to maintain, inspect, manage, design, repair, and/or
12 control the roadway where Claimant's injury occurred at the time of the Incident and breached its
13 duty to Claimant by negligently maintaining, inspecting, managing, designing, repairing, and/or
14 controlling the property, including lack of signage of unsafe conditions that endangered the safe
15 movement of traffic and which was not, and would not have been, reasonably apparent to or
16 anticipated by a person using due care, including Claimant; inadequate signage, warnings, or other
17 traffic safety lights on the roadway; creation of a concealed trap; and/or other defects that may be
18 established through discovery.

19 The negligent and/or wrongful conduct of the entity's employee(s) acting within the scope
20 of his/her/their employment created the unsafe condition on the roadway.

21 The entity had actual and/or constructive notice of the unsafe condition as described herein
22 prior to the date of the Incident yet did nothing to repair, remedy, correct, provide safeguards
23 against, or provide warning of the unsafe condition, which caused Claimant's incident and injuries.
24 As a result of the negligent and/or wrongful conduct of the entity's employee(s) acting within the
25 scope of his/her/their employment including, but not limited to, failure to provide any warning of
26 the subject unsafe condition, Claimant was harmed.

27 The entity's negligence or wrongful conduct was a substantial factor in causing harm to
28 Claimant.

1 **Damages**


2 As a direct result of the subject incident, Claimant has incurred damages including but
3 not limited to past and future medical expenses, current and future loss of earnings, past and
4 future economic damages, loss of property damages, and cost of suit which combined are
5 expected to be in excess of \$1,000,000. Treatment is still ongoing, and an exact amount is still to
6 be determined to this date.

7 **Name of Hospitals and Doctors where Claimant was treated;**

- 8 1. Kaiser Permanente – 25 N Via Monte, Walnut Creek, CA 94598

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10 DATED: April 21, 2026

11 **WILSHIRE LAW FIRM**

12 Signed by:
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14 By: _____
15 Alivia Abreu, Esq.
16 Raisa Rosa, Esq.
17 Attorneys for Claimant

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