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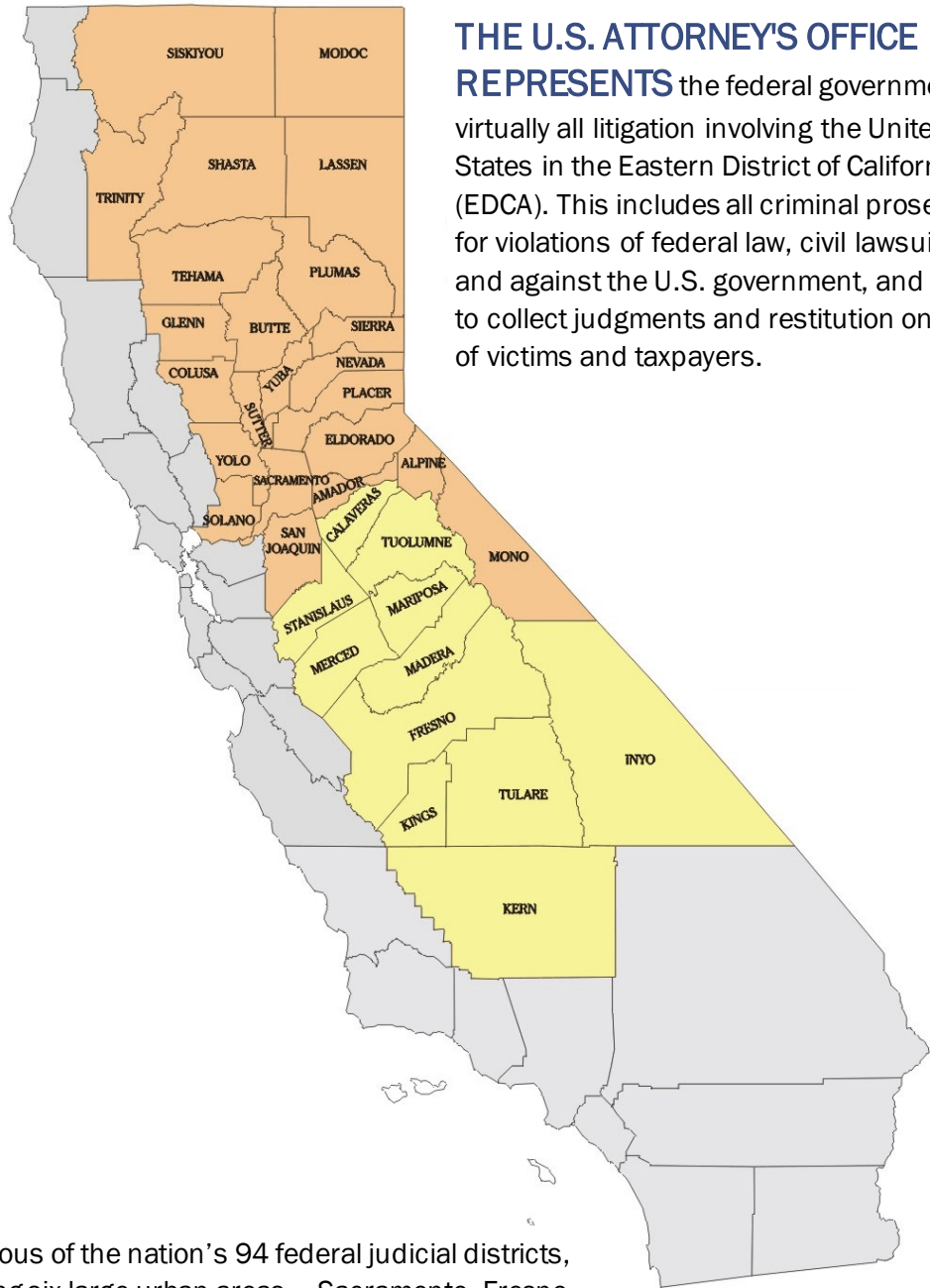
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THE U.S. ATTORNEY'S OFFICE REPRESENTS the federal government in virtually all litigation involving the United States in the Eastern District of California (EDCA). This includes all criminal prosecutions for violations of federal law, civil lawsuits by and against the U.S. government, and actions to collect judgments and restitution on behalf of victims and taxpayers.

EDCA is now the eighth most populous of the nation's 94 federal judicial districts, encompassing 34 counties including six large urban areas — Sacramento, Fresno, Bakersfield, Stockton, Vallejo, and Fairfield — and vast rural regions.

It stretches from the Oregon border in the north to the Los Angeles border in the south, and from the Bay Area in the west to Nevada in the east.

The Eastern District is 45 percent federal land. Within the Eastern District are the highest point in the continental United States — Mt. Whitney (14,494 feet above sea level) — and the lowest point — Death Valley (279 feet below sea level). The Eastern District's 87,000 square miles are home to Yosemite, Mt. Lassen, Mt. Shasta, Lake Tahoe, and other national treasures.

Serving more than 8 million residents, the U.S. Attorney's Office has more than 95 attorneys and 80 support staff in Sacramento, Fresno, and Bakersfield.



PROJECT SAFE CHILDHOOD is a nationwide initiative launched in May 2006 to combat the growing epidemic of child sexual exploitation and abuse. PSC marshals federal, state, and local resources to locate and prosecute those who sexually exploit children. It also seeks to identify and rescue victims. For more information about Project Safe Childhood, visit www.usdoj.gov/psc. Click on the “resources” tab for information about internet safety.

COMBATING THE OPIOID AND METHAMPHETAMINE MENACE

Methamphetamine is a dangerous and highly addictive drug. Federal and local agencies are working together to target the manufacturing and trafficking of this menace. They are also working to combat the nationwide opioid crisis that is claiming lives here and across the country. The USAO is targeting those who traffic in fentanyl and medical professionals who illegally dispense opioids.

TARGETING VIOLENT CRIME



Project Safe Neighborhoods (PSN) is the centerpiece of the Department of Justice’s violent crime reduction efforts. An evidence-based program, stakeholders work together to identify the most pressing violent crime problems in the community and develop comprehensive solutions to address them. PSN focuses on the most violent offenders and partners with locally based prevention and reentry programs for lasting reductions in crime.

www.justice.gov/caed — Find press releases, public announcements, and information about our district, our office, and what we do. There are also descriptions of various programs and initiatives involving our office and links to websites for the federal courts, law enforcement agencies and task forces, and more.

HATE CRIMES TASK FORCES

The Greater Sacramento Area Task Force on Hate Crimes was established in the wake of a string of hate-related fire bombings. The FBI, ATF, local law enforcement, and the community join forces to combat hate crimes.

The Fresno Area Hate Crimes Task Force is similarly dedicated to protecting civil rights. Report hate crimes:

Sacramento FBI	(916) 481-9110
Fresno FBI	(559) 436-4474

ENDING SEX TRAFFICKING OF MINORS

Few are as vulnerable as the young victims of child sex trafficking and the production of child pornography. The attorneys who handle these emotionally challenging cases are passionate about their work and are committed to the welfare of the victims. Over the last several years, we have charged and convicted multiple individuals engaged in the trafficking of minors. These defendants prey on victims’ vulnerabilities, causing the victims to engage in commercial sex acts for their financial benefit. Those convicted of such crimes often receive sentences of over 10 years in prison.

PROTECTING OUR FEDERAL LANDS

The federal lands within the Eastern District belong to the citizens of the United States. Whenever fire or illegal activities threaten the safe enjoyment of these lands, EDCA will consider civil litigation against or criminal prosecution of those who are responsible. Legal actions include:

- Lawsuits to recover damages for purposeful or negligent fires
- Environmental prosecutions
- Prosecution of misdemeanor crimes
- Defense of civil suits against the National Park Service, the Forest Service and the Bureau of Land Management

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