

**SAN DIEGO COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
COURT SERVICES BUREAU
POLICIES AND PROCEDURES MANUAL**

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SUBJECT: INMATE RELEASE FOLLOWING ACQUITTAL			PAGE 1 of 1

Purpose:

To establish standard Court Services Bureau (CSB) procedures for the release of an inmate upon a complete acquittal from court.

Policy:

The Sheriff's Department recognizes the decision of the 9th Circuit case, Brass v. County of Los Angeles (382. F. 3d 1192) and will release defendants who receive a judgment of acquittal in accordance with the established procedure. It is the Department's intent to release the inmate in the most expeditious manner once that inmate completes the formal detention facility release procedures.

Procedure:

- I. Upon notification of acquittal, the bailiff will immediately notify the CSB supervisor of the judgment of acquittal.
- II. The CSB supervisor will contact the Processing Sergeant and Inmate Processing Division (IPD) supervisor where the inmate is housed and advise of the inmate's acquittal.
- III. Once inside of the court holding area, the inmate shall be separated from other inmates. The inmate shall be transported back to jail according to normal inmate movement protocol.
- IV. Upon return of the inmate to his or her originating detention facility, normal jail procedures for processing acquitted inmates will be followed.