

**SUBJECT:**  
**Chief Assistant District Attorney**  
**Review**

**Policy Number: 4.02**  
**Date: January 1, 2010**

## **I. FILING DECISIONS**

Deputy District Attorneys will submit filing decisions for the types of cases listed below to the Chief Assistant District Attorney for review. Deputy District Attorneys will also obtain the approval of the Chief Assistant District Attorney for any disposition in the types of cases listed below. In the absence of the Chief Assistant, an Assistant District Attorney should conduct the review.

## **II. FISH AND GAME**

The assigned prosecutor should also discuss these cases with Fish and Game officers before recommending a disposition. Forfeiture of evidence is usually an important concern in these cases.

## **III. ANIMALS**

Deputy District Attorneys need to be aware that animal cruelty and abuse cases usually attract a great deal of public attention and should be considered sensitive in nature. Prosecutors should consult with the enforcement officers in formulating a proposed disposition of charges.

## **IV. PUBLIC OFFICIALS/ NOTABLE PERSONS**

This category includes both accusations made by and against public officials, county employees or others who are likely to generate special media attention. Excluded from this category are routine requests for enforcement made by public officials in the ordinary course of their duties.