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CLAIM AGAINST THE COUNTY OF KERN

(Government Code §§ 910, 910.2 & 910.4)

This claim must be filed with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, 1115 Truxtun Ave., 5th Floor, Bakersfield, California 93301. If it is a claim for death, injury to person, injury to personal property or injury to growing crops, it must be filed within **six months after the accident or event giving rise to the claim**. If it is a claim for any other cause of action, it must be filed within one year after the event(s) giving rise to the claim. You must complete both sides and sign the claim form for the claim to be valid. Complete information must be provided. If the space provided is inadequate, please use additional paper and identify information by paragraph number. Do not attach medical records or other confidential records to your claim. ANY COMPLETED CLAIM AND ALL ATTACHMENTS WILL BE TREATED AS A PUBLIC RECORD AND WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR VIEWING BY THE PUBLIC ON THE COUNTY'S WEB SITE.

1. State the name and mailing address of claimant:

Miranda Jones - 4900 Nordic Drive
Bakersfield, CA 93309

2. State the mailing address to which claimant desires notices from the County to be sent:

2101 Burbank Blvd
Burbank, CA 91506

3. State the date, place and other circumstances of the accident or event(s) giving rise to the claim.

On May 25, 2026, at approximately 10:30 PM, Miranda Jones was walking along the sidewalk/street area in front of 1440 Valhalla Drive in Bakersfield, CA 93309 when she stepped into an accumulation of water that had pooled on the walking surface and slipped, falling backward onto her left side and left arm. The area was inadequately lit at the time, making the hazard difficult to see and avoid. The water originated from an ongoing leak on the adjacent property that had been discharging onto the public sidewalk/street area for an extended period, as evidenced by visible discoloration and staining of the concrete. Kern County is responsible for maintaining the sidewalk and street in front of 1440 Valhalla Drive in a reasonably safe condition, including remedying water accumulation on pedestrian walkways, providing adequate street lighting, and warning pedestrians of hazards. The accumulated water and inadequate lighting constituted a dangerous condition of which Kern County had actual and/or constructive notice, given the ongoing nature of the leak and the visible staining of the concrete, and its failure to remedy or warn of this condition directly caused the fall and Miranda Jones' resulting injuries, including a fracture to her left arm, loss of sensation in the fingers of her left hand, and an inability to work.

4. Provide a general description of the injury, damage or loss incurred so far as it may be known:

This incident resulted in a fracture to the left arm, loss of sensation in fingers, and pain to her left side.

5. Provide the name or names of the public employee or employees causing the injury, damage or loss, if known:

Unknown at this time

6. Regarding the amount claimed (including estimated amount of any prospective injury, damage or loss known as of the time the claim is filed):

If less than ten thousand dollars (\$10,000), state the amount: \$ _____.

If more than ten thousand dollars, would the claim be a limited civil case (less than \$25,000)? (Circle one)

Yes

☒ No

7. Please state any additional information which may be helpful in considering this claim:

Claimant must date and sign below.

Signed this 16 day of September, 2026.

Ryan J. Block
CLAIMANT'S SIGNATURE

BY ORDER OF THE BD/SUPV

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Date 9-21-26

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By Michelle J. J. J., Deputy

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TO FILE A FALSE CLAIM (Penal Code §72)**