

EXHIBIT B

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7 IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
8 FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
9 SAN FRANCISCO DIVISION
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1 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

2 Plaintiff,

3 v.

4 OAKLAND CANNABIS BUYERS'
COOPERATIVE and JEFFREY JONES,

5 Defendants.
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7 AND RELATED ACTIONS.
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No. C 98-0088 CRB

**DECLARATION OF
NORMA BUREAU ELIAS**

Date: March 22, 2002

Time: 10:00 a.m.

Honorable Charles R. Breyer

1 I, NORMA BUREAU ELIAS, declare:

2 1. I am a patient-member of the Oakland Cannabis Buyers' Cooperative. I have
3 personal knowledge of the facts stated herein and am of sound mind. If called as a witness, I
4 could and would testify competently to such matters.

5 2. I am 76 years old. I have five children, nine grandchildren, and one great-
6 grandchild. I am the retired Deputy City Clerk of San Bruno, California.

7 3. I was diagnosed with glaucoma when I was 52 years old. Glaucoma can cause
8 blindness. I tried every medicine my doctors prescribed for glaucoma, but the medicines never
9 succeeded in keeping down my intraocular pressure. Those medicines also caused me horrible
10 side effects: extreme nausea, rapid heart beat, and insomnia. By 1995 my eyesight was
11 deteriorating badly when I read about medical cannabis myself.

12 4. Cannabis holds the pressure in my eyes down, without any side effects. I use
13 cannabis with calamus root powder three times per day. Now my doctors are amazed at how
14 good my optic nerve looks. They tell me my optic nerve looks as good as if I did not have
15 glaucoma.

16 5. If I could no longer obtain cannabis from a medical cannabis dispensary, I do not
17 know how I would obtain my medicine. I might go blind. I am 76 years old and would never use
18 marijuana recreationally. I only obtain cannabis from medical cannabis dispensaries. I do not
19 know how I would go about buying marijuana illegally. A drug dealer might go to prison for
20 selling it to me. If I did obtain cannabis that way, I would have no way of knowing whether or
21 not it was cannabis of acceptable quality.

22 I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the
23 foregoing is true and correct.

24 Executed this 6th day of March, 2002, at San Bruno, California.

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