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ALL-COUNTY INFORMATION NOTICE I- 26-80

TO: ALL-COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS

SUBJECT: WOOD v. WOODS

REFERENCE: STEPPARENT SUPPORT RESPONSIBILITY

In the case of Wood v. Woods (San Mateo County Superior Court, Civ. No. 240331) plaintiffs have challenged the validity of those regulations relating to stepparent responsibility for support filed with the Secretary of State on December 27, 1979 and made effective on January 1, 1980, as emergency regulations. These regulations amended Manual of Policies and Procedures Sections 43-105, 44-115, 44-133 and 44-106. On January 25, 1980, the Superior Court granted plaintiffs' application for a Temporary Restraining Order.

On February 26, 1980, the Superior Court denied plaintiffs' application for a Preliminary Injunction which would have prohibited the Department of Social Services and all county welfare departments from implementing the above-referenced regulations and vacated and dissolved the Temporary Restraining Order.

By this action of the Superior Court, these regulations are, and have been, in effect since January 1, 1980.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Kyle S. McKinsey".

KYLE S. MCKINSEY
Deputy Director