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## **NEWS RELEASE**

## Sacramento County Assistant Coroner Named Manager of the Year

Assistant Coroner Edward Smith, 55, was named manager of the year from the California State Coroner's Association during their annual training symposium last month in Riverside.

Smith, who joined the Sacramento County Coroner's office in 1984, was nominated by former Coroner Robert Lyons for the development of a death investigation course for Northern California law enforcement agencies, his role in the implementation of the statewide electronic death registration



system, and his efforts to bring California's Coroners/Medical Examiners and organ/tissue harvest organizations together. Smith also teaches courses to new and senior State homicide investigators in both the P.O.S.T. Homicide and Advanced Homicide Investigation Courses and conducts court ordered Youthful Drunk Driver Visitation Program classes for minors convicted of driving under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs.

To be recognized by your peers in a state as large as California is a tremendous accomplishment states Sacramento County's new coroner Gregory Wyatt. "I am extremely proud that the hard work and dedication that Assistant Coroner Edward Smith consistently demonstrates has been recognized in this prestigious award. It is confirmation of the level of service and expertise that he and the Sacramento County Coroner's Office provide to the residents of Sacramento County each and everyday."

The manager of the year award is open to nominees from coroner's offices, medical examiner's offices and sheriff-coroner departments in California's 58 counties. The California State Coroner's Association has about 500 members.