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COUNTY CLERK REQUESTS WITHDRAWAL OF SUPREME COURT WRIT

In a move to speed up the legal process and still get clarification on the three questions asked in his suit, Dronenburg v. Brown, the San Diego County Clerk, Ernie Dronenburg, announced today that he is requesting a withdrawal of his request for Writ of Mandate. "Because I am dropping my action the California Supreme Court can start tomorrow in making a decision in the lead case of Hollingsworth v. O'Connell and Brown case," Dronenburg said. "The questions I asked are also a part of the Hollingsworth case. Now that the briefing is finished in that case and the issue of standing was not raised, I now feel certain the Court will answer the three questions. At this point my case could be considered duplicative and slow the process."

With Dronenburg's case removed the Court could issue a decision on the Writ as early as next week. "We need to be able to remove the uncertainty in this area as soon as possible. Given the fact the Hollingsworth is now under review, I cannot comment further," Dronenburg concluded.

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