Board of Directors
Bruce E. Dandy, President
Robert Eranio, Vice President
Daniel C. Naumann, Secretary/Treasurer
Sheldon G. Berger
Lynn E. Maulhardt
Edwin T. McFadden III
Michael W. Mobley

General Manager Mauricio E. Guardado, Jr.

Legal Counsel Anthony H. Trembley



## UNITED WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT "Conserving Water since 1927"

### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

# UNITED WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT ANNOUNCES RETIREMENT OF LEGAL COUNSEL ANTHONY H. TREMBLEY

Veteran Attorney Advised District on Issues Ranging from Environmental Litigation and Public Contracts to Rate Setting and Brown Act Compliance

July 14, 2017 Santa Paula, CA -- United Water Conservation District (UWCD), the special district tasked with managing, protecting, conserving and enhancing the water resources of the Santa Clara River Valley and Oxnard Plain, today announced the retirement of its legal counsel, Mr. Anthony H. Trembley, a veteran lawyer and recently elected Camarillo City Councilman, who has guided the UWCD through legal, legislative and regulatory issues over the past 10 years.

"Over the past decade, Mr. Trembley has been a valued and respected colleague, guiding the UWCD Board and its staff through a myriad of complicated and challenging issues while always insuring its transparency and fairness in managing the water resources of the community it serves," said UWCD Board President Bruce E. Dandy. "His knowledge and experience, especially in water law and environmental regulations, as well as his depth of experience in board and district governance issues, including the Ralph M. Brown Act has been invaluable to the District. He will be truly missed."

"Nobody understands the complexities and nuances of today's current water issues as Mr. Trembley does," added UWCD's General Manager Mauricio E. Guardado, Jr. "He has been indispensable to me as a trusted advisor and I am sorry to see him retire. I am also deeply appreciative of his agreement to oversee the transition from Musick, Peeler and Garrett to whichever legal firm UWCD retains going forward."

"Working with United Water Conservation District has been one of the highlights of my professional career," responded Mr. Trembley. "The Board of Directors and the staff are passionate in their desire to do the right thing when it comes to the water resources they are responsible for protecting and enhancing, for the environment and inhabitants that rely on that water, and the public they are dedicated to serving."

Mr. Trembley will continue to provide counsel to UWCD on an as needed basis until September 30, while the District transitions to a new legal firm. An announcement regarding the District's selection for legal representation should be made soon.

Continues...



### UWCD's District Counsel Anthony H. Trembley Retires/page 2

While having practiced law for over three decades, Mr. Trembley has been a partner at Musick, Peeler & Garrett since 2011. Based in the firm's Ventura County office, he also is a member of its Environmental and Public Law Group. His law practice encompassed both public agency and environmental law. Mr. Trembley holds an AV rating from Martindale.com, which is the highest peer review rating available from other members of the legal profession. He previously had been a partner at the firm of Norman Cormany Hair & Compton, which is how he came to serve as UWCD's legal counsel, replacing former District counsel Phillip Drescher upon his retirement in 2007.

###

**Contacts:** United Water Conservation District

Kris Sofley, 805 525-4431 kriss@unitedwater.org

#### About United Water Conservation District (UWCD)

Since 1927, United Water Conservation District, situated in central Ventura County, has distinguished itself as a leader among water agencies by conserving and enhancing the water resources of the Santa Clara River and Oxnard Coastal Plain, while working to protect the environment's natural attributes. The District conserves runoff from all major tributaries of the Santa Clara River within its boundaries, including Piru, Hopper, Sespe, and Santa Paula Creeks. Without these efforts, much of this valuable water would simply flow out to sea.

Committed to managing the area's water supplies through groundwater replenishment and through the construction and operation of efficient water supply and delivery systems, today the District serves as the conservator of groundwater resources that are utilized by the cities of Oxnard, Port Hueneme, Ventura, Santa Paula, and Fillmore, as well as several mutual water districts and numerous farms and individual pumpers. It also provides surface water for agricultural irrigation and provides treated drinking water to the cities of Oxnard and Port Hueneme. For more information, visit <a href="http://www.unitedwater.org">http://www.unitedwater.org</a>