DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES 744 P Street, Sacramento, CA 95814

June 1, 1984

ALL-COUNTY INFORMATION NOTICE I-53-84

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS

SUBJECT: COALITION OF CALIFORNIA WELFARE RIGHTS ORGANIZATIONS V. McMAHON BEGINNING DATE OF AID REGULATIONS FOR AFDC-FG/U, AFDC-FC, RCA AND ECA PROGRAMS

REFERENCE:

This is to inform you that on May 23, 1984 a preliminary injunction was issued by Judge Ramirez of the Federal District Court in Sacramento, in the case of Coalition of California Welfare Rights Organizations v. McMahon. A copy of the Preliminary Injunction is attached.

The Preliminary Injunction prohibits the Department from enforcing the beginning date of aid regulations which went into effect April 1, 1984 to the extent they provide for a beginning date of aid later than the thirtieth day after application, if the applicant is eligible by the thirtieth day. In this case, plaintiffs are contending that the regulations violate federal law by providing for a beginning date of aid later than 30 days after the date of application in some cases.

The Preliminary Injunction applies to all applications in which aid is authorized on or after May 23, 1984. The Department intends to implement the order by All-County Letter as soon as possible. However, the Budget Act requires that such letters be submitted to the Department of Finance for approval prior to release. The All-County Letter will be issued as soon as approval is obtained. In the meantime, you should flag all cases in which the beginning date of aid is later than thirty days after application, if the applicant is eligible by that date.

If you have any questions, please contact Doris Keller, AFDC Management Consultant, at (916) 322-5330.

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