Dugard, daughters, mom file claim against state

By John Simerman, Contra Costa Times

Jaycee Dugard, her two daughters and her mother each have filed claims against the state for damages from failures by parole agents to unearth the mystery of her 1991 kidnapping and years of captivity.

The claims, which generally precede lawsuits, were filed with the state Victim Compensation and Government Claims Board. In the simple, two-page forms, Dugard, the two girls and her mother, Terry Probyn, all cite "various lapses by corrections department" and claim "psychological, physical and emotional" damages, said Jon Myers, spokesman for the board.

They list no dollar figure for damages, only a checked box indicating they exceed \$25,000. State law requires personal injury claims to be filed within six months of an "incident." Authorities learned Aug. 26 of Dugard's identity and that she and the two girls fathered by Phillip Garrido had been living in a hidden backyard compound near Antioch.

Read the whole story