



## Superior Court of California County of Santa Clara

### 2017-2018 CIVIL GRAND JURY APPLICATION AND NOMINATION FORM

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☐ Mr. ☐ Mrs. ☐ Ms. ☐ Dr.

1. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Sex: ☐ M ☐ F  
Last First Middle

2. Residence Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street City Zip

3. Home Phone: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Fax Number: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ Place of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Age Range: ☐ 18-25 ☐ 26-34 ☐ 35-44 ☐ 45-54 ☐ 55-64 ☐ 65-74 ☐ 75 and over

Driver License or State ID Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Indicate your ethnic derivation by checking one of the following:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> American Indian or Alaska Native             | <input type="checkbox"/> Hispanic/Latino                           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Asian  | <input type="checkbox"/> Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Black or African American                    | <input type="checkbox"/> White                                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other Race or ethnicity; please state: _____ |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Decline to answer                            |  |

4. Student: ☐ Yes/No ☐

5. Employment Status: Presently Employed ☐  
Not Employed ☐  
Retired ☐

If Presently Employed,  
6. Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_ Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

7. Business Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street City Zip

Business Phone: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Please provide **DETAILED** (PRESENT and/or PAST) employment (10 years or two most recent jobs) and educational background information on separate sheet of paper.

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

8. If you are employed, does your employer understand the nature of the duties of a Grand Juror and will he/she release you to *full-time* Grand Jury service for the entire period that the jury shall be in session? Yes ☐ No ☐

**If you are currently employed, a *written release verification* from your employer MUST BE ATTACHED TO THIS APPLICATION.**

**EMPLOYERS ARE NOT REQUIRED TO PAY WAGES TO CITIZENS SERVING ON THE CIVIL GRAND JURY.**

9. Name of Spouse: \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse's Occupation/Employer: \_\_\_\_\_



*Pursuant to California Rules of Court, Rule 1.100 and the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), the Superior Court of California, County of Santa Clara, does not discriminate against persons with disabilities.*

10. Do you require any accommodations for a mental or physical condition (including impaired hearing, eyesight or mobility) to enable you to participate in the application process or as a Grand Juror? (Please explain)

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

11. Are you a citizen of the United States? Yes ☐ No ☐
12. Do you read and understand English? Yes ☐ No ☐
13. Are you 18 years or older and will you have been a resident of the State of California and of the County of Santa Clara for at least one year as of June 22, 2017? Yes ☐ No ☐
14. Are you a registered voter? Yes ☐ No ☐
15. The Political Reform Act (Gov. Code Sections 81000-91014) requires most state and local government officials and employees who make or participate in the decision-making process to publicly disclose their personal assets and income. If you are selected as a Grand Juror, you will be required to complete a Statement of Economic Interest (Form 700).  
Are you willing to complete the [Form 700](#)? Yes ☐ No ☐

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**16. Are you related to or closely associated with any elected official or public employee?**

Yes ☐ No ☐

If yes, please give their name(s) and explain relationship(s):

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**17. Are you currently serving as an elected public official?** Yes ☐ No ☐

Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Date term ends: \_\_\_\_\_

**18. Have you ever been convicted of any of the following?**

Malfeasance in Office	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
Felony	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
Misdemeanor	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>

***If you have answered "yes" to any of the above, please give details below:***

*Please note that a misdemeanor conviction is not an automatic bar to acceptance of application. Each case is considered individually and confidentially. Please provide additional information on a separate sheet if necessary.*

Offense	City/State	Date	Penalty

**19. As a member of any profession or organization or as a holder of any office, have you ever been suspended, disbarred or otherwise disqualified?**

Yes ☐ No ☐

**20. Are you contemplating any absence from Santa Clara County in the Fiscal Year 2017-2018, which might interfere with your performance as a Grand Juror?**

Yes ☐ No ☐

If yes:

Departure Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Return Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

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**If selected as one of the finalists, will you be able to attend the Drawing/Impanelment Ceremony on Thursday, June 22, 2017 at 4 PM?**

Yes ☐ No ☐

**(Attendance is Mandatory)**

**Please Note:** A training program pursuant to Penal Code § 914, for the 2017-2018 Civil Grand Jury is tentatively scheduled for Monday, July 10, 2017 and Tuesday, July 11, 2017. It is mandatory that each of the **19** persons **selected** for the 2017-2018 Civil Grand Jury and the **first three alternates** attend these meetings.

**Will you be able to attend all of the training sessions?**

Yes ☐ No ☐

**21. If selected as a Grand Juror, you will be required to swear or to affirm the following obligation:**

"I do solemnly swear or affirm that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the State of California, and all laws made pursuant to and in conformity therewith, will diligently inquire into, and true presentment make, of all public offenses against the people of this state, committed or triable within this county, of which the Grand Jury shall have or can obtain legal evidence. Further, I will not disclose any evidence brought before neither the Grand Jury, nor anything which I or any other Grand Juror may say, or the manner in which I or any other Grand Juror may have voted on any matter before the Grand Jury. I will keep the charge that will be given to me by the court."

**Do you have any objections to taking such an oath or affirmation?**

Yes ☐ No ☐

**22. Will you define and evaluate issues without expressing personal bias?**

Yes ☐ No ☐

**23. Are you aware that the Grand Jury is required to publish a final report of issues they have investigated?**

Yes ☐ No ☐

**24. Are you willing to investigate county government issues and prepare reports on these issues?**

Yes ☐ No ☐

**25. Please outline your knowledge and understanding of the role and function of the Grand Jury and the role and function of county government.**

(Attach additional sheets if necessary)

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**26. Why do you want to serve on the Grand Jury and what contributions would you hope to make as a member? (Attach additional sheets if necessary)**

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Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**27. Please assist the Court in the evaluation of the Grand Jury recruitment program by indicating from which source you learned about service on the Santa Clara County Civil Grand Jury.**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Newspaper (which?) _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Community Organization |
| <input type="checkbox"/> TV/Radio (which?) _____  | <input type="checkbox"/> Public Gathering       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Referred by _____        | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____            |

I am in possession of all my natural faculties, of ordinary intelligence and of sound judgment and fair character. I certify under penalty of perjury, that all of the statements I have made are true, complete and accurate.

Executed at \_\_\_\_\_, California.  
City

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

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**For Court Use Only**

The above candidate is suitable, competent and qualified to serve as a Grand Juror, for the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 under Sections 893 and 896 of the California Penal Code. I have discussed the requirements for Grand Jury service and have ascertained availability for service.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
PATRICIA M. LUCAS  
Presiding Judge of the Superior Court  
State of California, County of Santa Clara

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**APPLICANT STATEMENT**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, understand that my name may be placed in nomination to be considered for membership on the Civil Grand Jury of Santa Clara County for the Fiscal Year 2017-2018.

I understand that the term will be from June 22, 2017 to June 21, 2018.

I am aware that such service requires that I be in attendance a minimum of 20 – 25 hours per week and frequently more. In this regard, I understand that as a Grand Juror I must be flexible and able to serve some evening and weekend hours as well as working during normal business hours as determined by the 2017-2018 Civil Grand Jury. I declare, pursuant to Penal Code § 896(a), that I will be available to serve during those required hours.

Each member of the Grand Jury shall be allowed twenty dollars (\$20.00) (taxable) for each day's attendance, either at general sessions or committee assignments of the Grand Jury. Mileage expense (non taxable) is compensated at the rate payable to employees of the County of Santa Clara for each mile actually and necessarily traveled for purposes of said sessions or committee work.

Now, therefore, I have read and understand the above and I hereby state that I have no commitments which would prevent me from meeting the requirements for service on the Santa Clara County Civil Grand Jury.

I recognize that my attendance will be expected and may be required by the Foreperson of the Grand Jury.

I fully understand that the Civil Grand Jury staff will conduct a background check through the District Attorney's Office and the Department of Justice. **Furthermore, I understand that I must complete a Form 700.**

I therefore request that I be considered as a candidate for the Civil Grand Jury of Santa Clara County for the Fiscal Year 2017-2018.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature (Full Name)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**REMINDER:** Please provide **DETAILED (PRESENT and/or PAST)** employment (10 years or two most recent jobs) and educational background information.

Please be sure to **sign** and return this completed application to:

**Tamara L. Davis  
Deputy Manager, Civil Grand Jury  
Santa Clara County Superior Court  
191 North First Street  
San José, California 95113**

Web Site address: [www.scscourt.org](http://www.scscourt.org) (Click on Civil Grand Jury)

**Submit Application**

**APPLICANT CHECK LIST**  
**(DO NOT SUBMIT THIS FORM WITH YOUR APPLICATION)**

- ☐ Application completed, and signed and dated, page 5
- ☐ Applicant Statement signed and dated, page 6
- ☐ Included employment and educational background information
- ☐ Answered YES/NO questions #11 - 24, pages 2 – 4

**IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER – MANDATORY ATTENDANCE**

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|--------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|
| ➤ Impanelment Ceremony   | Santa Clara County Superior Court    | Thursday, June 22, 2017  |
| ➤ Grand Jury Orientation | Santa Clara County Superior Court    | (Tentative)<br>Monday, July 10, 2017<br>Tuesday, July 11, 2017 |
| ➤ Grand Jury Training    | California Grand Jurors' Association | Wednesday, July 26, 2017<br>Thursday, July 27, 2017            |