



# Superior Court of California County of Orange *News Release*

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## **Presiding Judge Glenda Sanders Appoints Peter Hersh as Grand Jury Foreperson**

**Santa Ana** – The Honorable Glenda Sanders, presiding judge of the Superior Court of California, County of Orange, has appointed Peter Hersh as foreperson of the 2015-2016 Orange County Grand Jury. “Mr. Hersh’s leadership skills, education, and management experience in both private and public sector careers provide a strong background to lead the Grand Jury,” said Judge Sanders.

Mr. Hersh is leaving the real estate law firm of Cox, Castle & Nicholson LLP, where he was employed as a planning/government relations specialist, to serve on the Grand Jury. He was a senior project manager for LSA Associates where his responsibilities included drafting major environmental review documents. He has worked for the City of Irvine in positions such as assistant to the city manager/director of special projects, manager of policy programs, and manager of planning services. In addition, he has worked for the counties of Orange, San Bernardino, and Riverside in capacities ranging from mid-level planner through supervisory and administrative management. His professional activities have included Urban Land Institute, Department of the Navy-Restoration Advisory Board, City of Laguna Niguel Planning Commission, City of Laguna Niguel Traffic and Transportation Commission, and Building Industry Association.

Mr. Hersh has an impressive educational background. He has earned a Juris Doctor degree from the State University of New York (Buffalo) Law School, a Master of Urban Planning degree from New York University’s Wagner School of Public Service, and a Bachelor of Arts degree in Environment Design from the State University of New York (Buffalo).

The 19 members of the Grand Jury will take the oath of office and be charged with their duties for the one-year term of service at a public proceeding on Wednesday, July 1, 2015, 10:00 a.m., in Department C1 of the Court’s Central Justice Center, 700 Civic Center Drive West, Santa Ana. Members of the current Grand Jury and their advisors from the offices of the Orange County District Attorney and County Counsel conducted a four-day orientation and training program for the incoming Grand Jury members and the first five alternates. Additional information about the Orange County Grand Jury is available online at [www.ocgrandjury.org](http://www.ocgrandjury.org).