



Superior Court of California
County of Orange

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Grand Jury Application Deadline Extended to January 25, 2013

Santa Ana, CA – The Honorable Glenda Sanders, Assistant Presiding Judge of the Superior Court of Orange County and Chair of Grand Jury Recruitment/Selection Committee, urges qualified Orange County residents to apply for Grand Jury service. Judge Sanders said, “We are far behind the number of applications we normally receive by this time of the year.” She continued, “Because of the shortage of applicants, the Court has extended the application deadline to January 25, 2013 for the July 1, 2013-June 30, 2014 term.”

The requirements to serve are:

- At least 18 years old
- United States citizen
- Resident of Orange County for at least one year
- Able to communicate adequately in English
- In possession of sound judgment and a sense of fairness

The 19 members of the Grand Jury perform civil oversight of local government by reviewing and evaluating county and city agencies, jails, schools, and special districts within Orange County. They attend tours and briefings to increase their knowledge of the workings of county agencies to help them assess potential problems. The Grand Jury also considers evidence for possible indictment of individuals in felony cases and reviews complaints submitted by citizens.

Superior Court judges from the Grand Jury Recruitment/Selection committee interview qualified applicants. Final selection of the Grand Jury panel from the top applicants is accomplished by a random drawing, as required by law. Grand Jurors receive \$50 per day (up to \$250 per week) and reimbursement for mileage.

The application and more information are available online at www.ocgrandjury.org, by calling the Grand Jury Hotline at (714) 834-6747, or in person at the Jury Commissioner’s Office, 700 Civic Center Drive West, Santa Ana.