

Santa Cruz County Civil Grand Jury Application
Superior Court of California,
County of Santa Cruz



To submit an application, please complete this entire form to help the Court determine your eligibility and qualifications to serve as a grand juror. Email your application to jury.information@santacruzcourt.org by the deadline of April 28, 2021. By submitting an application, you declare the information provided to be true and correct.

Date application completed: _____ **Supervisorial District:** 1 2 3 4 5

(Indicate the district for your home address. Information provided at www.co.santa-cruz.ca.us/ele/districts/lookup.htm)

1. **Name:**

<i>Last Name</i>	<i>First Name</i>	<i>Middle</i>
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2. **Home Address:**

<i>Street</i>	<i>City</i>	<i>Zip Code</i>
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Mailing Address (if different):

<i>P.O. Box or Street</i>	<i>City</i>	<i>Zip Code</i>
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3. **Home Phone:**

Cell Phone:

Email Address:

4. **Birth Date:** _____ / _____ / _____

5. **Employment Status:** Employed Unemployed Student Retired

List Current or Former Occupation: _____

6. Grand jurors will need to devote an average of 20 hours per week to Grand Jury service. **Are you able to devote the amount of time required to serve?** Yes No

7. Employers are not required to pay wages or to provide time for employees to serve as a grand juror. **If employed, will your employer release you to serve on the Grand Jury?** Yes No

8. **Do you have reliable transportation to attend the Grand Jury meetings?** Yes No

9. **To qualify to serve on the Grand Jury, you must meet all of the following requirements (CA Penal Code §893):**

- ✓ I am citizen of the United States;
- ✓ I am 18 years of age or older;
- ✓ I am a resident of the County of Santa Cruz for one year immediately before being selected;
- ✓ I possess natural faculties, ordinary intelligence, sound judgment, and fair character; and
- ✓ I possess sufficient knowledge of the English language.

You are NOT legally qualified to serve on the Grand Jury if any of the following apply (CA Penal Code §893):

- ✓ You are serving as a trial juror in any other court of this state
- ✓ You have been discharged as a grand juror in any court of this state within one year;
- ✓ You have been convicted of malfeasance in office or any felony or other high crime; or
- ✓ You are serving as an elected public official.

Do you qualify to serve based on the above requirements? Yes No

Pursuant to California Rules of Court, Rule 1.100 and the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), the Superior Court of California, County of Santa Cruz, does not discriminate against persons with disabilities. Please advise the Office of the Jury Commissioner if you will require special accommodations to participate in this application process.

10. **If selected as a grand juror, per CA Penal Code §911, you will be required to take the following oath or affirmation:**
"I do solemnly swear (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 the Grand Jury, nor anything which I or any other grand juror may say, nor 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."

Are you willing to take such an oath or affirmation? Yes No

11. **Are you able and willing to define and evaluate issues without expressing personal bias?** Yes No

12. **Are you willing to investigate county/local governments and prepare written reports of findings?** Yes No

13. **Are you willing and able to review documents that may be complex and lengthy?** Yes No

14. **Do you have plans to be absent for more than four continuous weeks during the term (July through June)?** Yes No

15. **Have you ever held public office or been employed by a public agency in Santa Cruz County?** Yes No
 If yes, please list the public office and position you have held?

16. **Please state why you wish to serve on the Grand Jury:**

17. **Education:** Please summarize your educational background.

18. **Are you currently participating in any organizations within the community?** Yes No
 If so, what are they?

19. **Please identify any special skills or knowledge that you possess that would assist the grand jury in its mission:**

Computer Processing: IT Support: Accounting: Auditing: Budget Analysis: Management:
 Investigative Interviewing: Research: Writing: Other: _____

20. **Do you have a computer or tablet with Google Drive, Google applications, and Gmail?** Yes No

21. **Do you have reliable access to the Internet** Yes No

22. **The grand jury uses computers, internet resources, and technology tools to conduct its work. Having the ability and experience to use these tools is extremely important. Please indicate which resources you use regularly:** Email Internet
 Remote technology (e.g., Zoom) Computer applications (e.g., MS Office or Apple)

23. **How would you rate your level of use of these tools?** Advanced Intermediate Beginner

24. **Please identify any licenses, certificates, credentials that you possess:**

Demographic Survey

The California Rules of Court, Rule 10.625 requires the Court to collect the following data from prospective grand jurors. The following information is not considered in the selection process.

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

Your Gender: Female Male Non-binary

Race or Ethnicity:

- American Indian or Alaskan Native
- Asian
- Black or African American
- Hispanic/Latino
- Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander
- White
- Other race or ethnicity (please state) _____
- Decline to answer

Please indicate the source(s) from which you first heard or read about Grand Jury service:

- Newspaper
- Community Organization
- Craig's List Website
- Court Website
- Community TV
- Local TV News
- Local Newspaper or Magazine
- Local Radio
- Direct Mail Flyer or Post Card
- Referred by Someone