



# SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SONOMA

600 Administration Drive, Rm 106J, Santa Rosa, CA 95403  
707-521-6501

## CIVIL GRAND JURY APPLICATION

When this application is completed and submitted to the Court, it will constitute your consent to be considered for nomination as a prospective member of the Sonoma County Grand Jury. Personal information provided on this form will assist judges of the Superior Court in compiling a list of nominees that represents a cross section of the County. **Information provided on this application is kept confidential.**

1. Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Last) (First) (Middle)  
Residence address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, and Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_  
Daytime phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Evening phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Cell phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_
2. Social Security Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
Driver's License or I.D. Number: \_\_\_\_\_
3. County Supervisorial District Number: \_\_\_\_\_ (If unknown, please call the Registrar of Voters' office at 707-565-6800 or reference <http://sonomacounty.ca.gov/Board-of-Supervisors/Services/Supervisorial-District-Lookup/>)

| 4. Please answer the following questions, which will determine your eligibility under Penal Code section 893 to serve as a grand juror:  | YES | NO |
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| I am a citizen of the United States.   |     |    |
| I am 18 years of age or older.   |     |    |
| I have been a resident of Sonoma County for at least one year prior to the date of this affidavit.   |     |    |
| I am in possession of my natural faculties; I am of at least ordinary intelligence and of sound judgment and fair character.   |     |    |
| I possess sufficient knowledge of the English language.  |     |    |
| Have you been discharged as a Grand Juror in any court of this state within one year prior to the date of this affidavit?  |     |    |
| Have you been convicted of malfeasance in office, or any felony or other high crime? If yes, state the nature, date, and place of the offense below.<br>Nature of the offense: _____<br>Year: _____ County: _____ State: _____ |     |    |
| Are you now serving as an elected public official?   |     |    |
| Are you presently serving as a trial juror in any court in this state?   |     |    |

5. EMPLOYMENT

Presently Employed  Retired  Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_ How many years? \_\_\_\_\_

Where you were last employed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of employees under your supervision, if any: \_\_\_\_\_

6. EDUCATION

High School Diploma from \_\_\_\_\_ in (city/state): \_\_\_\_\_

College/University Degree from \_\_\_\_\_

Graduate (or higher) Degree from \_\_\_\_\_

Other Training \_\_\_\_\_

7. CLUBS, ORGANIZATIONS, COMMUNITY SERVICE

List any civic, professional, service or social organizations in which you have served as a member. Indicate if you have served as an officer.

| <u>Organization</u> | <u>Offices Held</u> |
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8. PRIOR CIVIL GRAND JURY SERVICE

Have you previously served as a Civil Grand Juror?  Yes  No

If yes, please state the dates and number of years: \_\_\_\_\_

9. Have you ever been suspended, disbarred, or removed from any public office or profession?

Yes  No If yes, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

10. Are you or is any adult member of your immediate household related to, an employee of, or a volunteer for any elected or appointed public official in your county?  Yes  No

If yes, please explain the relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

11. Have you, or do you have any relatives that have been employed by any public agency in Sonoma County?  Yes  No If yes, please indicate which agency and the relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

12. If you have a disability that would require a reasonable accommodation so that you can participate as a grand juror, please describe the nature of the accommodation that you would need: \_\_\_\_\_

13. If selected as a grand juror, Penal Code section 911 requires you to take the following oath or affirmation. Are you willing to take the following oath or affirmation?  Yes  No

I do solemnly swear (affirm) that I will support the Constitution of the United States and of 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 me by the court.

14. If you are employed, does your employer understand the nature of the duties of a Grand Juror? Will he/she release you to Grand Jury service as needed for the entire period the Jury shall be in session?  Yes  No  Not Applicable

**(PLEASE NOTE: Employers are not required to pay wages to citizens during the time they are away from work serving on the Grand Jury.)**

15. Why do you want to serve as a grand juror, and what do you hope to contribute as a member?

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*(Please attach additional pages, if needed, to respond to this question)*

16. If you are contemplating any absences during this fiscal year (July 1 - June 30) which might interfere with your performance on the Grand Jury, please indicate the length of such absence: Date of leaving: \_\_\_\_\_ Return date: \_\_\_\_\_

17. Do you have access to transportation (private or public) to Los Guilicos and other places in Sonoma County?  Yes  No

18. Are you available for 8-16 hours a week?  Yes  No

19. Please help the court evaluate its grand jury recruitment program by indicating all of the sources from which you learned about service on the Sonoma County Grand Jury:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Newspaper (which one?) _____               | <input type="checkbox"/> Faith organization/leader |
| <input type="checkbox"/> TV/radio (which one?) _____                | <input type="checkbox"/> Received flyer in mail    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Community/civic/philanthropic organization | <input type="checkbox"/> Public gathering          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____                               | <input type="checkbox"/> Court website             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Referred by (Name and position): _____     |  |

20. Do you have any suggestions, comments or other matters you would like to bring to the judges' attention in connection with your application? \_\_\_\_\_

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*(Please attach additional pages, if needed, to respond to this question)*

I understand that a criminal background check will be conducted, and I affirm that the information provided in this questionnaire is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signed on \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_, California  
(Date) (City)

Print Name

Signature

**PLEASE RETURN YOUR APPLICATION TO:**

Sonoma County Superior Court  
Administration Office  
600 Administration Drive  
Santa Rosa, CA 95403

**The following information is optional.**

**Demographic Questionnaire for Civil Grand Jury Applicants**

The Superior Court of California, County of Sonoma is asking that all Civil Grand Jury applicants complete this form in order to comply with California Rule of Court 10.625. This rule intends to facilitate the courts' continued efforts to achieve the goals stated in 10.50 of the Standards of Judicial Administration, which encourages courts to employ various methods of soliciting prospective candidates to serve on regular grand juries that reflect a representative cross-section of the community they serve. This rule is also intended to assist the courts in establishing a formal mechanism whereby they can monitor the extent to which they achieve the goal of seating representative regular grand juries. This information will have no effect upon your application.

Please provide the following information about yourself. This information is requested for statistical purposes only:

- a. Gender:      Female      Male
- b. Race/Ethnicity: Mark one or more of the following race and ethnicity categories.
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| <input type="checkbox"/> American Indian/Alaska Native | <input type="checkbox"/> Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Asian                         | <input type="checkbox"/> White                                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Black/African American        | <input type="checkbox"/> Other race or ethnicity (please state):   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hispanic/Latino               | <input type="checkbox"/> Decline to answer                         |
- c. Age range:
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|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> 18–25 | <input type="checkbox"/> 35–44 | <input type="checkbox"/> 55–64      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 26–34 | <input type="checkbox"/> 45–54 | <input type="checkbox"/> 65–74      |
|                                |                                | <input type="checkbox"/> 75 or over |