# 2027/2028 Orange County Grand Jury Application

## Superior Court of California, County of Orange

Please type or print legibly in black ink. This application form and more information are available online at www.ocgrandjury.org. Your responses to the following questions will assist the Court in determining your eligibility and qualifications to serve on the Orange County Grand Jury for the one-year term, July 2027-June 2028.

_____ _____ _____
***Last Name*** ***First Name*** ***Middle***

Former names used, if any:_____

2. Home Address:_____
*Street*

_____ _____
*City* *Zip Code*

Mailing Address (if different than above):_____
*P.O. Box or Street*

_____ _____
*City* *Zip Code*

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

E-mail Address:_____

O.C. Supervisorial District: _____ To find your district (1, 2, 3, 4, or 5), check the O.C. Registrar of Voters at https://ocvote.gov/findmysup or call (714) 567-7600.

3. Birth Date: _____/_____/ _____ Place of Birth:_____
*Month* *Day* *Year*

Gender: Female ☐ Male ☐ CA Driver License/I.D. #: _____

4. Employment Status: Employed ☐ Not Employed ☐ Retired ☐

List Current or Former Occupation:_____

If you are employed, you must provide your employer the Employee Intent To Serve As Grand Juror Notice on page ten (10). Your employer's objection to your service may impact your eligibility to serve as a Grand Juror.

I acknowledge that I have provided my employer the Employee Intent To Serve As Grand Juror Notice: Yes ☐ No ☐

5. Name of Emergency Contact:_____

Emergency Contact's Daytime Phone: _____

*The Superior Court of California in the County of Orange and the Orange County Grand Jury are equal opportunity government entities. Please advise the Office of the Jury Commissioner, (657) 622-6720, if you will require a reasonable accommodation to participate in the application process.*

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6. Do you have any physical or mental conditions that might limit your ability to perform the duties of a grand juror, which include prolonged walking and stair-climbing at site visits, prolonged sitting and standing, listening and concentrating during lengthy discussions with people holding different opinions, reading lengthy documents, etc.?

Yes ☐ No ☐

If you require a reasonable accommodation, please describe: _____

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7. To qualify to serve on the Grand Jury, a person must meet the following requirements per CA Penal Code §893:
   - Citizen of the United States;
   - 18 years of age or older;
   - Resident of the County of Orange for one year immediately before being selected;
   - Possess natural faculties, ordinary intelligence, sound judgment, and fair character; and
   - Possess sufficient knowledge of the English language.

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

8. A person is not legally qualified to serve on the Grand Jury if any of following apply, per CA Penal Code §893:
   - The person is serving as a trial juror in any court of this state;
   - The person has been discharged as a grand juror in any court of this state within one year;
   - The person has been convicted of malfeasance in office or any felony or other high crime; or
   - The person is serving as an elected public officer.

   **Do you qualify to serve based on the above conditions?** Yes ☐ No ☐

9. Have you ever been suspended, disbarred, or otherwise disqualified from membership in any profession or organization or as a holder of any office? Yes ☐ No ☐

If yes, please describe:_____

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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 ☐

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11. Are you registered to vote in Orange County? Yes ☐ No ☐

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

13. Are you aware that the Grand Jury is required to publish a final written report of issues they have investigated? Yes ☐ No ☐

14. Are you willing to investigate county and local government issues and prepare written reports on these issues? Yes ☐ No ☐

15. Are you contemplating an absence of more than a week from Orange County from June 30, 2025 to July 1, 2026? Yes ☐ No ☐

    If yes, please indicate the approximate dates:

    Departure Date:_____ Return Date:_____

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16. Have you ever served on the Grand Jury in Orange County, California? Yes ☐ No ☐

    If yes, list the year(s):_____ and the

    Foreperson's name(s): _____

    If no, have you ever participated in the random draw of the panel of 25-30, which would have included fingerprint scanning by the O.C. Sheriff's Department? Yes ☐ No ☐

    If yes, list the year(s):_____

    If no, have you ever been selected as one of the approximately 90 top applicants, which would include an interview by judges and a background investigation by the O.C. Sheriff's Department? Yes ☐ No ☐

    If yes, list the year(s):_____

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17. 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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18. Describe 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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19. If selected, would you want to be foreperson of the Grand Jury? Yes ☐ No ☐

If yes, why? _____

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## ***FOR COURT USE ONLY***

The person named in this application is suitable, competent, and qualified to serve as a grand juror pursuant to CA Penal Code §893 and §896. I have discussed this impending nomination with the nominee and ascertained his/her availability for service. I hereby nominate this applicant for service on the Orange County Grand Jury.

_____ _____

***Judge's Signature*** ***Date***

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***Printed Name, Judge of the Superior Court of California, County of Orange***

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## Employment, Education, and Experience

Please complete the following overview of your experience (use additional sheets if necessary). Resumes will be accepted in lieu of the employer information.

**Employer:** _____

Address and Phone: _____

Job Title: _____ From: _____ To: _____

Job Duties: _____

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Address and Phone: _____

Job Title: _____ From: _____ To: _____

Job Duties: _____

**List your education and experience:**

Education: _____

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Gathering Facts: _____

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Analyzing Data: _____

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Report Writing: _____

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Committee Work (volunteer or paid): _____

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_____

Computer programs you use and are familiar with: _____

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## STATEMENT

I understand that my name may be placed in nomination to be considered for membership on the Orange County Grand Jury for the 2027/2028 fiscal year. **I will be required to attend an orientation program for all applicants on Friday, February 5, 2027, from 10:00-11:30 a.m.** at the Superior Court of Orange County, Central Justice Center, in the Jury Assembly Area (third floor), 700 Civic Center Drive West, Santa Ana, CA 92701. **In addition, a mandatory Grand Jury training program will take place on June 7, 8, 9, and 10, 2027, pursuant to CA Penal Code §914. Each of the nineteen (19) persons selected for the Grand Jury and ALL of the alternates must attend the training sessions on all of these dates.** No make-up training sessions will be available.

I am aware that Grand Jury service requires that I be in attendance a minimum of four (4) days per week and, often, five (5) days per week. 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 during normal business hours. I understand that it is essential that all Grand Jury members be in attendance at all meetings and only the most pressing emergency or illness would be reasons for absence, and I recognize that my attendance will be expected and may be required by the foreperson of the Grand Jury. I declare, pursuant to CA Penal Code §896(a), that I will be available to serve during the required hours.

I understand that a criminal background check conducted by the Orange County Sheriff's Department and disclosure of financial information are required for Grand Jury service. I will not become a candidate or become personally active in any campaign of a candidate for elective office or in a campaign involving a political proposition during service on the Grand Jury.

**Please note:** CA Penal Code §890 states that, "Unless a higher fee or rate of mileage is otherwise provided by statute or county or city and county ordinance, the fees for grand jurors are fifteen dollars ($15) a day for each day's attendance as a grand juror, and the mileage reimbursement applicable to county employees for each mile actually traveled in attending court as a grand juror." In 2001 the Orange County Board of Supervisors set grand juror fees at fifty dollars ($50) per day, and that has been the fee ever since; however, this fee is subject to change by the Orange County Board of Supervisors.

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 Grand Jury and that I possess natural faculties, ordinary intelligence, sound judgment, and fair character. Further, I affirm that the information provided in this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Submitted by:

_____ _____ _____

***Last Name*** ***First Name*** ***Middle***

_____ _____

***Signature*** ***Date***

**Executed at** _____, _____

***City*** ***State***

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## RECRUITMENT SURVEY INFORMATION

***The California Rules of Court, rule 10.625, require the Court to collect certain demographic data from Grand Jury applicants. The following information is not considered in the selection process.***

Indicate the category that most closely describes your current or former occupation:

- ☐ Management/Professional/Administrative
- ☐ Technical/Engineering/Manufacturing
- ☐ Government/Public Service/Professor/Teacher
- ☐ Volunteer/Homemaker/Student
- ☐ Sales/Service/Office Support
- ☐ Other (state below):

_____

Indicate the category that most closely describes your race or ethnicity:

- ☐ Asian
- ☐ Black or African American
- ☐ Hispanic/Latino
- ☐ American Indian or Alaska Native
- ☐ White
- ☐ Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander
- ☐ Other race or ethnicity (state below):

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- ☐ Decline to answer

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To assist with future recruitment, indicate the most valuable source from which you learned about Grand Jury service:

- ☐ Newspaper Ad in O.C. Register
- ☐ Newspaper Ad, Other: _____
- ☐ Newspaper Article/Op-Ed/Letter
- ☐ Presentation in Jury Assembly Room
- ☐ Presentation to Community Group/Organization
- ☐ Emailed Recruitment Information
- ☐ Mailed Recruitment Information
- ☐ Website: _____
- ☐ Social Media: _____
- ☐ Television or Radio
- ☐ I am a Former Grand Jury Member/Alternate/Applicant
- ☐ Referral: _____
- ☐ Other: _____

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### IMPORTANT NOTICES

**Your application must be notarized on page nine (9). A Notary Public will be made available, free of charge during the Grand Jury Orientation on February 5, 2026. If you choose to print and mail your application, please check to see that your signature is on pages six (6) and eight (8 in the appropriate areas before returning your completed application to:**

Superior Court of California, County of Orange
David H.Yamasaki, Court Executive Officer 700 Civic
Center Drive West
P. O. Box 1970

Santa Ana, CA 92702-1970

This application form and more information are available online at: **www.ocgrandjury.org**

**Application Deadline is 1/15/2027**

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In connection with your application for Grand Jury service, the Orange County Sheriff's Department will obtain and review your consumer credit report from the following credit bureau:

## EXPERIAN

I have read and understand the above notice. ☐ Yes ☐ No

***Last Name*** ***First Name*** ***Middle***

Residence Address:

City: _____State:_____ Zip Code:_____

CA Driver License/I.D. #: _____

Social Security Number: _____

_____ _____

***Signature*** ***Date***

Under California law, you have the right to receive a copy of your credit report directly from the credit bureau free of charge. Indicate below whether or not you want a copy of your credit report mailed to you by the credit bureau.

I want a free copy of my credit report sent to me. Yes ☐ No ☐

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**FOR ORANGE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT USE ONLY:**

Submitted to Credit Bureau by: _____
*Orange County Sheriff's Department, Employee Name*

Company Name: Orange County Sheriff's Department

Subscriber Number: 1916395

*(Agency may use this form to request disclosure of the credit report to applicant under California Law.)*

**Last Name:**

## ORANGE COUNTY SHERIFF-CORONER DEPARTMENT
## AUTHORIZATION TO RELEASE INFORMATION
**(Orange County Grand Jury Applicants)**

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

As an applicant for a position on the Orange County Grand Jury, I am required to furnish information for use in determining my qualifications as set forth in CA Penal Code §893. I authorize the release of any and all information you may have concerning me, including, but not limited to, information of a confidential or privileged nature, or any data or materials which have been sealed or understood to be withheld pursuant to any prior agreement or court proceeding involving disciplinary matters. A photocopy of this release form will be valid as an original, even though the said photocopy does not contain an original writing of my signature.

**For Applicants With Peace Officer Status**: I acknowledge that I have been advised that the records or information contained therein may be considered confidential under CA Penal Code §832.7, and therefore subject to discovery or disclosure only pursuant to a noticed motion under Evidence Code §1043. By signing this authorization, I hereby waive any and all rights to have any record(s) or information contained therein discovered or disclosed only by a noticed motion pursuant to Evidence Code §1043, and thereby authorize the disclosure of all records to which, as an employee, the undersigned would have or did have access.

**Important Note: This document must be notarized. For your convenience, a Notary Public will be made available, free of charge during the Grand Jury Orientation currently scheduled for February 5, 2027.**

**The following is to be completed in the presence of a California Notary Public:**

**Full Name of Applicant:** _____

**Signature of Applicant:** _____
*(Signature to be Witnessed)*

*A notary public or other officer completing this certificate verifies only the identity of the individual who signed the document to which this certificate is attached, and not the truthfulness, accuracy, or validity of that document.*

State of California )
County of _____ )

On _____ before me, _____
*(Date)* *(Here Insert Name and Title of the Officer)*

personally appeared _____
*(Name of Signer)*

who proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she executed the same in his/her authorized capacity, and that by his/her signature on the instrument the person, or the entity upon behalf of which the person acted, executed the instrument.

I certify under PENALTY OF PURJURY under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing paragraph is true and correct.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

Signature _____
*(Signature of Notary Public)*

*Place Notary Seal Above*

# EMPLOYEE INTENT TO SERVE AS GRAND JUROR NOTICE

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Employee:

Last Name _____ First Name _____

Is applying to be a 2027-2028 Grand Juror at the Superior Court of California, County of Orange. Service on the Orange County Grand Jury is a full-time position for a full year (July 1, 2027 to June 30, 2028).

If you have any concerns or object, please contact the Superior Court of California in writing at:

Superior Court of California, County of Orange
David H. Yamasaki, Court Executive Officer
700 Civic Center Drive West
P.O. Box 1970
Santa Ana, CA 92702-1970

Your correspondence must be received by Feb. 5, 2027.
For more information regarding the Orange County Grand Jury, please visit: www.ocgrandjury.org