COVID-19 Precautions

If you have been summoned to appear for jury duty, you should completed the online questionnaire or you may contact Jury Administration at (909) 884-1858 or 1-866-402-5879 to request one to be sent out. Please remember to contact us the night before your scheduled appearance date to confirm the day and time you are required to report for jury duty.

Summoned jurors who have health concerns related to COVID-19 will be allowed to defer their service to a future date. We emphasized that if you are sick with respiratory symptoms, a fever or a cough, <u>DO NOT</u> report for jury service. Contact the Jury Administration to request that your jury service be deferred to a future date.

In preparation for summoning jurors and restarting jury trials, the Court is implementing an array of measures to ensure the safety of everyone involved – jurors, court staff, defendants, attorneys and judicial officers:

- Fewer jurors will be ordered to report to court on any given day to allow for appropriate safeguards.
- Social distancing will be maintained throughout the entire jury trial process, from jury assembly and selection through jury deliberation.
- Face masks and/or face coverings will be required for everyone who comes to the courthouse.
- Increased the amount of routine cleaning, with a focus on high-touch surfaces and common areas including elevators, escalator rails, courtrooms, jury assembly rooms and restrooms.
- Elevator use is being restricted to 1-2 users at a time.
- Health Screening Questions will be asked prior entering the courthouse.
- Fewer trials will be in session at any one time to reduce the number of people in the courthouse.
- Empaneled juries will be seated and spaced around the entire courtroom to ensure social distancing.
- Jury deliberation will occur in the courtroom rather than in jury deliberation rooms, to ensure social distancing.
- Alternative additional and larger venues to accommodate jury assembly and selection may be employed.

Suggestions for summoned jurors:

- Be sure to bring and wear a face mask or face covering.
- You may consider bringing a small container of hand sanitizer with you to the courthouse as an additional precautionary measure.
- If you are sick with respiratory symptoms, a fever or a cough, **DO NOT** report for jury service, contact the Jury Administration.
- Bring your jury summons with you on the day you report.
- Bring your own bottled water, as a common water dispenser will not be available.

Thank you very much for your willingness to serve as a juror, and to help the Court continue to provide this vital function of our democracy during these extraordinary times.