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Court is Seeking Grand Jury volunteers for the 2024 – 25 Civil Grand Jury

Interested Applicants Must Apply by Monday May 13, 2024

Santa Barbara, CA – Superior Court Executive Office, Darrel Parker, announces the commencement of recruitment for the 2024-2025 Civil Grand Jury term. As an essential pillar of the community, members of the Civil Grand Jury act as guardians of government operations, ensuring accountability, transparency, and integrity in public administration.

Civil Grand Jury members investigate local issues and produce comprehensive reports with findings and recommendations to enhance government operations. Responsibilities include examining various aspects of county and city government (including special districts and joint powers agencies).

No prior jury experience or training are required to serve. Applicants should be prepared to commit 25-30 hours a week conducting investigations, interviews and attending grand jury meetings. Responsibilities include actively gathering data, writing, and/or editing reports, and conducting investigations or interviews.

Qualified applicants must be:

- U.S. citizens, age 18 or older.
- Able to read and speak English.
- Santa Barbara County Residents for at least one year.

The new Civil Grand Jury will begin on July 1, 2024, and will serve through June 30, 2025. Interested individuals can find more information and submit their applications online at www.sbcgj.org/application.asp.

Applications for the 2024-2025 Civil Grand Jury term are now open and will be accepted until Monday May 13, 2024. The Court's Jury Services Division coordinates applications. Questions regarding this press release should be directed to the Santa Barbara Jury Office at (805) 882-4530 or the Santa Maria Jury Office at (805) 614-6464.

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