



**Superior Court of California
County of Orange**

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**Prospective Members Eligible to Serve on the Orange County Grand Jury
Reflect County's Diverse Population**

Santa Ana - A random drawing will be held Wednesday, May 15, 2002 to select the 19 finalist and 11 alternates to serve on the Orange County Grand Jury. The drawing will be held at 12:00 p.m. in Dept. C1 of the Central Justice Center, 700 Civic Center Drive West, Santa Ana.

"The composition of the prospective jurors includes 19 Caucasians, four Hispanics, three Asians and four African-Americans," said Judge David McEachen, Chair of the Grand Jury Recruitment/Selection Committee. "Women comprise 36% of the prospective grand jurors," added Judge McEachen.

Canvassing efforts for prospective grand juror members included 2,503 applications that were mailed to prospective applicants, and flyers that were distributed to 1,124 companies and 112 minority organizations. Also, members of the Grand Jury Recruitment/Selection Committee spoke to organizations and appeared on Spanish and Vietnamese language television and radio programs to inform the community of the opportunity to serve on the Grand Jury.

The Grand Jury serves for a one-year term which begins July 1, 2002.

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