



Superior Court of California County of Orange *News Release*

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2015-2016 Orange County Grand Jury Selected Women Constitute a Majority

Santa Ana, CA –The citizens who will serve on the Orange County Grand Jury for the term that begins July 1, 2015, were selected yesterday. The Superior Court of Orange County Assistant Presiding Judge and Chair of the Grand Jury Recruitment/Selection Committee, Hon. Charles Margines, presided at the court proceeding with the Chief Executive Officer and Jury Commissioner, Alan Carlson, randomly pulling names of the candidates from the Grand Jury Box, as required by statute.

The 2015-2016 Grand Jury includes ten women and nine men, two Hispanic members, one African-American member, and one Asian member. The ages of the grand jurors range from 52 to 76 years old.

Over 120 Orange County residents applied to serve. The 25 judges of the Grand Jury Recruitment/Selection committee reviewed applications and selected top candidates who were then interviewed by teams of two judges from the committee. Superior Court judges approved the final slate of candidates by a majority vote.

The California Penal Code requires that selection of the 19 Grand Jury members is by a random drawing of no less than 25 and no more than 30 individuals. The remaining individuals are selected as alternates in the order drawn, and may be called upon to serve in the event that any acting members cannot fulfill the one-year term. The grand jurors and the first five alternates will complete a four-day training program in June.

The Grand Jury members will take the oath of office at a proceeding to be held on July 1, 2015, at 10:00 a.m. at the Superior Court of Orange County. The names of the Grand Jury members and alternates are listed on the following page, in order of their selection.

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2015- 2016 ORANGE COUNTY GRAND JURY

1. Michael Morris
2. Charles Fay
3. Philip Nohe
4. Alexis Taylor
5. Raquel Amezcua
6. Joyce Zohar
7. John Humphrey
8. John Rodriguez
9. Michael Dmytriw
10. Janice Horn
11. Sabrina Low-Dumond
12. Marie Whittington
13. Michael Harrison
14. Barbara Hunt
15. Jacqueline Brodsky
16. Margot Scott
17. Julia Verrengia
18. Peter Hersh
19. Jim Kaczmarek

ALTERNATES

1. Alfred Lyle
2. Kathleen Conwell-Doyle
3. Kathryn Cozza
4. Kathleen Armstrong
5. Terrence Lo
6. Anita Bolden
7. Rodney Van Bebber
8. Robert Niccum
9. Michelle Lustig
10. Diana Merryman