

2016-17 Sacramento County Grand Jury Demographic Summary Report

The Sacramento County Grand Jury is a body of 19 individuals drawn from a pool of Sacramento County citizens who have volunteered and have been selected at random. As the population of Sacramento County grows, the demographic composition continues to change. Accordingly, outreach efforts continue to elicit eligible, qualified and competent individuals from a cross-section of the population in order to compose a diverse and representative grand jury pool. The summary represents the July 1, 2016 prospective regular grand juror pool.

On January 1, 2007, the Judicial Council of California issued Rule 10.625 of the Standards of Judicial Administration to summarize the courts' continuing efforts to achieve the goals stated in Rule 10.50, which encourages courts to employ various methods of soliciting prospective candidates to serve on regular grand juries that reflect a representative cross-section of the community they serve. Since 2000, the Jury Commissioner annually sends a questionnaire to a randomized merged pool of 5,000 names drawn from the Department of Motor Vehicles licensed drivers and Sacramento County registered voters.

Once prospective grand jurors are identified, all undergo a briefing to learn more about grand jury service. Each prospective juror participates in an interview conducted by the Sacramento Grand Jurors Association, and a background check is completed. Interviewed candidates applications and interview results are submitted to the bench for further consideration.

Rule 10.625 requires the jury commissioner to collect the following demographic data from prospective grand jurors, maintain this information in a database, and make available to the public an annual summary of prospective and selected grand jurors:

- 1) Age;
- 2) Occupation;
- 3) Gender;
- 4) Race/ethnicity;
- 5) Years served on the grand jury;
- 6) Carry-over grand jurors (those grand jurors who served in the previous year);
and,
- 7) How the juror initially became a candidate (random draw, application, or nomination by a judge).

The attached summary satisfies this reporting requirement. Please contact the Sacramento County Grand Jury Coordinator at (916) 874-7578 if you have any questions concerning this summary.

Proposed 2015-16 Sacramento County Grand Jury Candidates

Candidate		Occupation		Age Range		Gender		Race/Ethnicity	Prior Grand Jury Service		
Source	#	Category	#	Range	#	Male	Female		#	Total Years Previously Served on Grand Jury	Years Served on Last Year's Grand Jury
Application	68	Accounting / Fiscal	4	18-25		31	47	American Indian or Alaska Native	0	4	4
Random Jury Pool	6	Administration		26-34				Asian			
Carry-over	4	Education / Library	34	35-44				Black / African American	3		
		Engineering		45-54	3			Hispanic / Latino			
		Health / Human Services	11	55-64	18			Native Hawaiian / Pacific Islander			
		Law Enforcement / Corrections	4	65-74	45			White	66		
		Legal	5	75 and over	12			Other			
		Management / Executive	4					Decline to answer	9		
		Medical / Dental / Nursing	6								
		Military									
		Retail / Sales / Small Business	7								
		Self-Employed	3								
Totals	78		78		78	31	47		78	4	4

