



Dear Prospective Juror,

In preparation for your jury service, the Court has taken multiple precautions to maintain the health and safety of jurors and others in the Courthouse. Information about these steps can be found on the Court's website at <https://www.dccourts.gov/stepstokeepyousafe>.

Jury trials are fundamental to our system of justice and jury service is one of the most important civic duties that you can perform. The right to trial by jury, guaranteed in the U.S. Constitution, protects all our rights and liberties. It is important that jurors represent a broad cross-section of our city. That is why you are called upon to serve as a juror.

The COVID-19 virus has impacted all of us in the District of Columbia and changed the way we live and work. In March 2020, for the health and safety of the public and court staff, the D.C. Superior Court suspended all jury trials. With the approval of the D.C. Department of Health ["DOH"] and authorization of the Mayor's Office, the court will now resume limited jury operations in April 2021. As the COVID-19 epidemic continues to evolve, the Chief Judge will monitor the situation closely and coordinate juror reporting based on current recommendations from DOH and national health authorities.

On behalf of the D.C. Superior Court, we thank you for your willingness to serve as a juror.

### **COVID-19 Juror Questionnaire**

Based on your responses to the questions below, you may be eligible to request a postponement of your jury duty. If you wish to request a postponement, contact the Jurors' Office at 202-879-4604 or [JurorHelp@dcsc.gov](mailto:JurorHelp@dcsc.gov). Unless you are officially excused, you must report for jury duty on the date of your summons.

Are you a healthcare worker directly involved with the diagnosis, treatment, management, or care of patients who have or are suspected of having COVID-19?

Yes

No

1. Have you or a member of your household been diagnosed with COVID-19 within the past 30 days?

Yes

No

2. Have you or a member of your household been in close contact with someone exposed to or infected with COVID-19 in the last 14 days?

Yes

No

3. Are you or a member of your household currently on a watch list or self-quarantining because of possible COVID-19 exposure?

Yes

No

4. Are you 65 years of age or older?

Yes

No

5. Do you have a serious underlying health condition which would not permit you to serve as a juror at this time, such as high blood pressure, chronic lung disease, diabetes, obesity, asthma, or is your immune system compromised?

Yes

No

6. Are you currently experiencing any other significant hardship due to COVID-19 (such as economic, employment, childcare, or other family caretaking responsibilities)?

Yes

No

7. Based on a "Yes" answer to any of the above questions, are you requesting postponement of your jury service?

Yes

No

I certify that the above checked statement(s) are accurate.

Name: (PLEASE PRINT) \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: (MM/DD/YYYY) \_\_\_\_\_

Juror Bar Code Number (9-DIGITS) \_\_\_\_\_