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SUPERIOR COURT SEEKS VOLUNTEERS FOR GRAND JURY

OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA: The Superior Court of California, County of Alameda is seeking volunteers to serve on the 2020-2021 Civil Grand Jury.

Grand Juries fill a critical role in promoting local government accountability. These “Citizen Watchdogs” are independent entities authorized to investigate any aspect of local government. Investigations focus on ensuring that public agencies are working in the best interest of Alameda County, and are doing so effectively and economically.

The Grand Jury conducts its investigations under the auspices of the Superior Court and has broad access to public officials, records, and information. No particular background, training, or experience is necessary to be a Grand Juror; Grand Jurors are provided training and support throughout their service. The diversity of its members is one of the Grand Jury’s greatest strengths.

When: The Grand Jury serves from July 1, 2020, through June 30, 2021. The deadline to submit applications for the 2020-2021 term is **April 15, 2020**.

Qualifications: Applicants must 18 years or older, have lived in Alameda County for at least one year, and possess sufficient knowledge of the English language. Additional requirements are listed on the Grand Jury website at <https://acgov.acgov.org/grandjury/>.

Remuneration: Grand Jurors are paid \$15 per day plus mileage.

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