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**Orange County Superior Court
Seeks Grand Jury Applicants**

Santa Ana, CA – Orange County residents who want to make a difference in their community are encouraged to submit an application to serve on the 2013/14 Orange County Grand Jury, announced Assistant Presiding Judge Glenda Sanders, Chair of Grand Jury Recruitment/Selection Committee. The one-year term begins July 1, 2013.

The 19 members of the Grand Jury are empowered to perform civil oversight of local government by reviewing and evaluating county and city agencies, schools, and special districts within Orange County. They attend tours and briefings to increase their knowledge of the workings of county agencies to help them assess potential problems. The Grand Jury also considers evidence for possible indictment of individuals in felony cases.

Requirements to Serve

- At least 18 years old
- United States citizen
- Resident of Orange County for at least one year
- Sufficiently fluent in written and spoken English
- In possession of sound judgment, good character, and a sense of fairness

Each qualifying applicant is interviewed by a panel of two Superior Court judges and is subject to a background investigation by the Orange County Sheriff's Department. Final selection of the Grand Jury panel from the top 30 applicants is accomplished by a random drawing, as required by law. Grand Jurors receive \$50 per day (up to \$250 per week) and reimbursement for mileage.

Applications and more information are available online at www.ocgrandjury.org, by calling (714) 834-6747, or in person at the Jury Commissioner's Office, 700 Civic Center Drive West, Santa Ana. Grand Jury Final Reports may be viewed online at www.ocgrandjury.org/reports.asp. The application deadline is January 18, 2013.