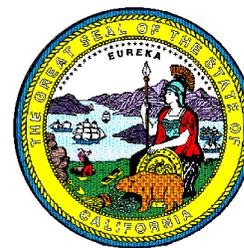


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What: 2016-2017 Fresno County Grand Jury Empanelment Drawing

When: Thursday, June 23rd, 2016 at 3:00 p.m.

Where: Fresno County Superior Court, Department 54

On Thursday, June 23rd at 3:00 p.m., Presiding Judge Kimberly Gaab will empanel the 2016-2017 Fresno County Grand Jury. Court Executive Officer/Clerk/Jury Commissioner Sheran Morton will draw the names at random to comprise the 19-member Grand Jury.

The Grand Jury serves as the civil watchdog for the County of Fresno. Its responsibilities include investigating complaints regarding county government and issuing reports when necessary.

Grand Jurors are nominated by Superior Court Judges, by Grand Jury Members or by self-nomination. By law, twenty-five to thirty prospective grand jurors are placed in the Grand Jury wheel for the random drawing.

Grand jurors typically spend 40-80 hours per month on grand jury business and serve one year. The Court may approve up to 10 "holdovers" to serve an additional year for a maximum term of two years. The term is fiscal, beginning July 1 and ending June 30.

Grand Jury Reports and information about the grand jury and how to apply are on the Court's website at www.fresno.courts.ca.gov

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