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Civil Grand Jury Application Deadline Extended

Recruitment continues for 2015-16 Civil Grand Jury panel

SAN JOSE, Calif. (April 1, 2015): the Superior Court of California, County of Santa Clara's Presiding Judge, Hon. Risë Jones Pichon, has announced that the filing deadline for the 2015-16 Civil Grand Jury has been extended to Friday, April 10, 2015, at 5:00 P.M. The Court is seeking volunteers for the one-year term who are committed to upholding the efficiency and integrity of local government.

The Civil Grand Jury is empowered to inspect and audit the books, records, and financial expenditures of all aspects of county and city government and special/school districts. The Civil Grand Jury also has the power to inspect jails and juvenile detention facilities. Recent reports have evaluated the systems that oversee court-ordered victim restitution, the status of Juvenile Hall, as well as school district pay practices.

Residents who have lived in the county for one year, are United States citizens, and are 18 years of age or older may apply for service. The one-year term will begin on June 18, 2015. The time commitment is approximately 20-25 hours per week, or as determined by the Grand Jury.

Persons interested in applying may obtain an application online at www.scscourt.org under "Civil Grand Jury". Questions about the informational events or about the Grand Jury may be directed to CGJ@scscourt.org or by contacting Tamara Davis, Deputy Manager of Jury Services, at 408-882-2721.

The deadline to submit applications is Friday, April 10, 2015

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