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Santa Clara County Civil Grand Jury Discharge and Empanelment to Be Held December 15

The Santa Clara County Superior Court will recognize the outgoing Grand Jury and swear-in the incoming panel

The Santa Clara County Superior Court has scheduled the discharge of the 2022 Civil Grand Jury, concluded the annual recruitment of the Civil Grand Jury, and confirmed the empanelment of the 19 Civil Grand Jury members to serve for the calendar year 2023, announced Presiding Judge Theodore C. Zayner.

The Civil Grand Jury, an arm of the Santa Clara County Superior Court, investigates the operations of governmental programs of Santa Clara County, cities, and special districts. Members are recruited by the Court and nominated by Superior Court Judges to serve one-year terms.

"Grand Jury service affords citizens the unique opportunity to contribute to the efficiency of local government and to play an integral role in ensuring that the government is accountable to residents," expressed Presiding Judge Theodore C. Zayner.

The grand jurors contribute a significant number of volunteer hours during their term and provide an invaluable service to Santa Clara County citizens. They work diligently to fulfill their duty as the civil watchdog agency of local government, pursuant to the California Penal Code.

To honor their service and support these efforts, Presiding Judge Theodore C. Zayner invites the Santa Clara County community to join the court for the Discharge and Empanelment Ceremony of the Santa Clara County Civil Grand Jury on <u>Thursday</u>, <u>December 15</u>, 2022, at 4 p.m. via Zoom or in person at the Old Courthouse (161 N. 1st Street, San Jose).

The Discharge of the 2022 Civil Grand Jury will commence at 4 p.m., followed by the Empanelment of the 2023 Civil Grand Jury.

More information about service on the Civil Grand Jury can be found on the Court's public website, <u>www.scscourt.org/CGJ</u>. Questions about the ceremony or Grand Jury service may be directed to <u>CGJ@scscourt.org</u> or Britney Huelbig, Deputy Manager for the Civil Grand Jury, at 408-882-2721.

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