

**Superior Court of California
County of Santa Clara**

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The Honorable Richard J. Loftus, Jr., Presiding Judge of the Superior Court of California, County of Santa Clara, has announced that the Court is accepting applications for the 2011-2012 term of the Civil Grand Jury.

The Civil Grand Jury is part of the judicial branch of government. It serves as the county's investigatory body and may examine the operations of city and county government, special districts, and school districts. The Grand Jury also has the authority to inspect adult and juvenile detention facilities.

Applicants must be residents of Santa Clara County, United States citizens, and 18 years of age or older.

Grand Jury service gives citizens a special and unique opportunity to contribute to the efficiency of local government. The time commitment is significant—20-25 hours per week. The Court is seeking volunteers willing to make the commitment for the one-year term, which runs from June 23, 2011 to June 30, 2012.

Persons interested in applying may contact Gloria Alicia Chacón at the Office of the Civil Grand Jury at 408-882-2722, or visit the website at www.scscourt.org to obtain an application online.

APPLICATION DEADLINE IS FRIDAY, MARCH 4, 2011.