

**Public Notice on Process by Which Juror Names are
Periodically and Randomly Drawn**

28 U.S.C. §§ 1864(a), 1866(b)

Each year, the United States District Court for the District of Minnesota creates Master Jury Wheels. To create the Master Jury Wheels potential juror names are selected at random using a properly programmed electronic data processing system. The names are randomly selected from a non-repeating list of registered voters, driver's license holders and state identification card holders obtained from the State of Minnesota and are proportionally selected from each county.

Approximately every December, the Clerk of Court draws from the Master Jury Wheels the names of as many persons as may be required for jury service in the District. The drawing from the Master Jury Wheels is accomplished with a programmed electronic data processing system for pure randomized selection, intended to ensure that the mathematical odds of any single name being picked are substantially equal.

The persons whose names are drawn from the Master Jury Wheels are mailed a Juror Qualification Questionnaire, which is to be completed and returned to the court. Based upon the information provided in the Juror Qualification Questionnaire, the Clerk determines who is or is not qualified to serve as a potential juror. The Clerk places all qualified potential juror names in the Qualified Jury Wheels.

Approximately every two months, the Clerk draws from the Qualified Jury Wheels the names of as many persons as may be required for assignments to grand and petit jury panels. The drawing from the Qualified Jury Wheels is accomplished with a programmed electronic data processing system for pure randomized selection, intended to ensure that the mathematical odds of any single name being picked are substantially equal. Those persons whose names are drawn are then issued summons for jury service.

Jury Selection Plan of the United States District Court for the District of Minnesota for the Random Selection of Grand and Petit Jurors, May 20, 2008, ¶¶ 6-13, 15-16.

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