

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF MINNESOTA

Chief Judge Patrick J. Schiltz Kate M. Fogarty, Clerk

Date

You have been Summoned to Jury Service for the United States District Court for a period of two months in the city of [City]. You are only on-call at this time but must complete the summons now as instructed below.

Your on-call jury service is [Month] & [Month], 2023.

Do I need to report or call every day for two months?

You do **NOT** need to report for jury duty or call until you receive either a **Notice to Report** in the mail or notification from the Jury Office.

How will I know when to report for jury service?

If you are selected, you will receive a **Notice to Report** in the mail approximately two weeks prior to your reporting date. The **Notice to Report** provides you with specific instructions regarding the date, time, and location of your service. The notice will also include directions, payment, parking, and hotel information.

How do I complete my summons?

Complete the summons the same method as when completing the Juror Qualification Questionnaire either online using eJuror or completing the **Jury Information Form** at the bottom of your summons. **You do not need to do both**.

EASY ONLINE STEPS TO ACCESS eJUROR

STEP 1: Visit the website <u>www.mnd.uscourts.gov or bit.ly to skip to step 4</u>.

STEP 2: Click the Jurors link on the top of the page.

STEP 3: Click the eJuror link from the dropdown menu.

STEP 4: Enter the login information requested.

STEP 5: Follow the screen prompts and answer each question.

Please read the following information completely and carefully. We encourage you to keep this correspondence for future reference.

Jury Service Information

How can I be excused or postpone my jury service?

Requests for excusal, partial excuse, or postponement:

- 1. May only be submitted by the person summoned (*not an employer, friend, or family member*).
- 2. Will **NOT** be reviewed until the Summons is complete.
- 3. Must be submitted in writing by email or mail AFTER you complete the summons
- 4. Must be submitted **<u>before</u>** you receive a Notice to Report.
- 5. All requests are reviewed on a case-by-case basis.

You will receive notification on the status of your request.

Online requests: Complete your summons using eJuror. Once your summons is complete, the "request" options will be made available.

Paper requests: Complete the paper summons and include a detailed letter or use the enclosed "Request Form" to explain your request.

Why are jurors excused from service?

The Jury Clerk may excuse jury service for the following reasons:

- Persons over 70 years of age.
- Persons who served as a Grand or Petit Juror in the last two (2) years.
- Persons having primary care and custody of a child or children under 10 years of age whose health and/or safety would be jeopardized by the absence of the prospective juror; or persons who are essential to the care of aged or infirm persons.
- Persons who serve without compensation as a volunteer firefighter or member of a rescue squad or ambulance crew for a federal, state, or local government agency.

IMPORTANT: If you feel you need to be excused for a reason other than those listed above, you must report for service on your reporting date and ask the judge to be excused during jury selection.

Why are jurors postponed from service?

Upon request, the Jury Clerk may grant postponement of jury service for the following reasons:

- Persons with temporary medical condition that prevents them from serving (*must submit a letter from your doctor*)
- Persons who are enrolled as a full-time student (*must submit an unofficial copy of your transcript*)
- Business Essential
- People living out of state for part of the year
- Expecting or New Parents
- Farmers
- Persons with other extenuating circumstances

Why are jurors partially excused from service?

Upon request, the Jury Clerk may grant a partial excuse of jury service for the following reasons:

- Dates that cannot be rescheduled during your on-call service term
- Vacations/Trips
- Appointments

IMPORTANT: Please keep the Jury Clerk informed of any changes in your availability.

How do I contact the Jury Office? United States Courthouse (612) 664-5100 or 1-800-569-7653