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Superior Court of California, County of San Bernardino Celebrates Juror Appreciation Week May 12 – 16

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SAN BERNARDINO—The Superior Court of San Bernardino County will celebrate Juror Appreciation Week, May 12–16, to recognize the service and participation of jurors from our local community. Recognition for jurors during the second week in May was established by a special resolution passed by the California Legislature in 1998 to acknowledge the important contributions of citizens who devote their time and effort in “making the cherished right of trial by jury a reality.”

“Jurors serve our community and those who need access to justice, which includes the right to a trial where they can be heard and judged by their peers,” said Presiding Judge Marsha Slough. “In recognition of this valuable service, the judicial branch has worked to ease the inconvenience of jury duty with one-day or one-trial service and plain-language jury instructions. We in the court want each and every juror to know how much their participation and contribution to our American system of justice is appreciated.”

San Bernardino Court has been working on improvements for jury service which will go into effect over the coming year. A new jury postcard summons will be implemented which will dramatically reduce the number of jurors summoned for service. Jurors will be on call for up to five days. Also a new online system, Jury Web, will expedite the check-in process in the jury assembly room.

Jury Web will allow jurors to:

- Reschedule to another date (if case permits)
- Request jury service verification
- Request driving directions to any San Bernardino Courthouse
- Submit requests to be excused

Annually, millions of Californians statewide participate in jury service:

- Approximately 9 million people are summoned to jury service;
- Over 3.5 million prospective jurors are eligible and available to serve; and
- Approximately 80 percent of prospective jurors complete service in one day.

For more information on jury service, contact the Jury Administration Office at 909-884-1858 or 866-402-JURY, and see

<http://sb-court.org/JuryInformation.aspx>, or visit the [Jury Service section](#) of the California Courts website.

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