

General Qualifications for Jury Service (Government Code 62.102)

To serve as a juror you must meet the following qualifications:

1. Be at least 18 years of age;
2. Be a citizen of the United States;
3. Be a resident of this state and of the county in which you are to serve as a juror;
4. Be qualified under the Constitution and laws to vote in the county in which you are to serve as a juror (you do not have to be registered to vote to be qualified to serve as a juror);
5. Be of sound mind and good moral character;
6. Be able to read and write;
7. Not have served as a juror for 6 days during the preceding 3 months in the county court or during the preceding 6 months in the district court;
8. Not have been convicted of misdemeanor theft or any felony; and
9. Not be under indictment or other legal accusation of a misdemeanor theft or any felony charge.

EXEMPTIONS (Government Code 62.106)

You are not REQUIRED to serve as a juror if you are:

1. Over 70 years of age;
2. Persons having legal custody of a child younger than 12 years of age, only if jury service would necessitate leaving the child without adequate supervision and you do not work outside the home;
3. A public or private high school student;
4. Enrolled and attending college;
5. An officer or an employee of the Senate, the House of Representatives, or any department, commission, board, office, or other agency in the legislative branch of state government;
6. The primary caretaker of a person who is unable to care for himself or herself (this exemption does not apply to health care workers);
7. A member of the United States military forces serving on active duty and deployed to a location away from your home station and out of your county of residence.