

Jury Duty

Instructions to the Jurors

You have been qualified as a prospective juror in a pending case. It is imperative that you follow the listed instructions:

Each juror has been given a juror number, it is important that you write your juror number in the upper right hand corner of this page.

Each evening, each juror will be required to call 337-394-5193 to determine what numbered jurors will have to report to court the next day. If you are asked to report to court the next day, please arrive at the courthouse no later than 15 minutes prior to the time court is to begin. This is done in order to facilitate a roll call at the designated court time so that court can commence promptly.

Please do not discuss any facts that you hear about the case amongst the other prospective jurors during the time that you are waiting the selection process. Please do not try to discover any of the facts of this case as all evidence that you will need to decide this case will be presented to you in the courtroom.

It may be a good idea for you to bring some reading material during the period of time that you will be waiting during the selection process; however, please do not bring any legal materials or any materials that contain information about the current trial.

You will be restricted to the police jury room area during the time of the selection process. A bailiff will be present during this period of time. You may carry on conversations about any topic other than discussions about the facts of the pending case or legal issues. A bailiff will be there for your assistance, and you will be

requested to remain in the police jury room area except for normal lunch breaks and recesses of court.

The bailiffs are there for your assistance, and should any problem arise during this trial, please ask the bailiff for assistance with this matter.

During the course of the trial, you may see or hear news accounts concerning this trial. You are not to listen or attempt to obtain any information from these new accounts.

During the course of the jury selection and trial, you may come into contact with some of the attorneys handling the case. They are under court order not to carry on a conversation with you. This is done to eliminate any appearance of wrongdoing.