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SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT SEEKING APPLICANTS TO SERVE ON THE 2010-2011 CIVIL GRAND JURY

(Stockton, CA) – The San Joaquin County Superior Court seeks applicants to serve on the 2010-2011 San Joaquin County Civil Grand Jury.

The deadline for receipt of applications is April 12, 2010.

Interested qualified citizens may obtain an application by attending an informational session on March 1, 2010 at 4:00 p.m. in Department 31, located on the third floor of the Stockton courthouse.

Also, applications may be obtained from the Stockton courthouse, Room 303, at 222 E. Weber Avenue, Stockton; the Superior Court Clerk's Offices located at 315 E. Center Street, Manteca; 475 E. 10th Street, Tracy; or 315 W. Elm, Lodi; or by calling (209) 468-3855. The office hours are from 8:00 a. m. to 3:00 p. m., Monday thru Friday.

Members of the Civil Grand Jury serve for a one year period beginning July 1. The Grand Jury is comprised of nineteen citizens whose names are randomly selected from those applicants nominated by the Judges of the Superior Court. The Civil Grand Jury inquires into and investigates matters of civil concern, including the functions and operations of governmental bodies and agencies, within San Joaquin County. Past reports for example, have focused on jail operations, redevelopment agencies and housing authorities.

A Grand Juror must be at least 18, a United States citizen who has resided in San Joaquin County for at least one year who possesses a sufficient knowledge of English and is not now serving as a trial juror or elected public official. Qualified applicants may be interviewed by a Superior Court Judge. The San Joaquin County District Attorney's Office conducts background investigations, which includes a record check of law enforcement agencies.