

QUESTIONNAIRE FOR PROSPECTIVE JURORS

Juror Name (Last, First) _____ Age _____ Are you a U.S. citizen? _____

1. List all cities or suburbs where you have lived for the last ten years with the current location first (if Chicago, identify what part, for example, South Side, Rogers Park, etc.). Do not provide your address. _____

2. Describe your level of education, what degrees you have, and where from. _____
3. Describe your current occupation generally (e.g., teacher, nurse, etc.), where you work, and number of years employed (if you are retired, please give information about your last occupation). _____

4. What other jobs have you had during your working life? _____
5. List the occupations of your significant other (if applicable) and any others who live with you, as well as adult children (even if not living with you). _____

6. What is your primary source of news? _____
7. What television programs, podcasts, radio shows, newspapers, magazines, or websites do you watch, listen to, and/or read regularly? _____
8. What are your hobbies? _____
9. List any organizations and/or social media groups you belong to or participate in (union, professional, religious, social, fraternal, recreational, political, etc.). _____
10. Have you ever been employed as a lawyer, by a lawyer or law firm, in the criminal justice system, or by a law enforcement agency? _____
11. Do you have a relative or close friend who is a prosecutor or a criminal defense attorney? If so, state your relationship to that person and whether anything about that relationship has left you with a positive or negative impression of the judicial system, prosecutors, and defense attorneys. _____

12. Have you, any relatives, or close friends ever worked for a governmental entity (state, federal, city or county)? If yes, state your relationship to that person and their employer and position(s). _____

13. Have you, a family member, or a close friend ever filed a claim or case against or had a legal dispute with the federal government? If yes, describe the person's relationship to you, the agency involved, the nature of the dispute, and what happened. _____

14. Other than a traffic ticket, have you, a family member, or a close friend ever been arrested for, charged with, or convicted of a crime? If yes, describe the nature of the offense; the person's relationship to you; the law enforcement organization(s) and the prosecutor's office involved; what happened in the case; and whether that experience might make it difficult for you to fairly and impartially evaluate the evidence and render a fair verdict in this case. _____

15. Have you, a relative, or close friend ever been a victim of a crime? If yes, describe the victim's relationship to you, the nature of the incident and when it occurred, whether charges were brought and what happened (e.g., imprisonment,

probation, acquittal, etc.), and whether that experience would make it difficult for you to fairly and impartially evaluate the evidence and render a fair verdict in this case. _____

16. Have you ever appeared as a witness in a criminal case? If yes, state when and where you testified and the nature of your testimony. _____
17. Have you ever served on a jury before? If yes, state the nature of the case, whether you were the foreperson, whether the jury reached a verdict, and whether that experience left you with any impression of the judicial system, judges, or attorneys that might make it difficult for you to fairly and impartially evaluate the evidence and render a fair verdict in this case. _____
18. The charges are described in the cover letter. Is there anything about the nature of the charges that might affect your ability to fairly decide this case on the evidence without being partial to either side? _____
19. Is there anything about the allegation that the defendant was previously convicted of committing a felony that might affect your ability to fairly decide the case on the evidence without being partial to either side? _____
20. Do you have any strong feelings regarding firearms which would prevent you from being able to fairly decide this case on the evidence without being partial to either side? Do you belong to any firearms-related organizations? _____
21. At various times, the Court will instruct you about the applicable law. It is your obligation to follow those instructions, whether you agree with the law or not. If you were to find that you disagreed with the law as given to you, could you follow that law and reach a verdict by applying that law to the evidence? _____
22. This case involves an investigation by the [law enforcement agency]. Do you have any feelings or experiences regarding [law enforcement agency] or any other law enforcement agency that might affect your ability to fairly decide this case on the evidence without being partial to either side? _____
23. A law enforcement officer's testimony is not entitled to any greater or lesser weight, simply because he or she is a law enforcement officer, than any other witness. Would you credit the testimony of a law enforcement officer any more or less than any other witness because that witness works in law enforcement? _____
24. The defendant is presumed to be innocent of the charges against him. Do you understand and will you follow this principle? _____
25. The government carries the burden of proving guilt beyond a reasonable doubt. The burden never shifts to the defendant, and the defendant is not required to offer any evidence in his defense. Do you understand and will you follow this principle? _____
26. A defendant has an absolute and constitutional right not to testify. The fact that a defendant decides not to testify cannot be held against him. Do you understand and will you follow this principle? _____
27. Do you hold any religious, philosophical, moral, or other beliefs that might make it difficult for you to sit in judgment of another person? _____
28. Is there anything that we have not asked about that you think might be important for us to know about your ability to serve as a fair and impartial juror in this case? _____