

June 3, 2019

Dear prospective juror:

You have been summoned as a potential juror in the case of *Zachary Weyer vs. SAIA Motor Freight Line, LLC and Robert Mueller*.

This case involves a collision that took place on an on-ramp to Interstate 80. Mr. Mueller was driving a tractor-trailer owned and operated by SAIA Motor Freight Line. The trailer separated from the tractor on the on-ramp. At some point after this, Mr. Weyer's car collided with the trailer.

Mr. Weyer alleges that SAIA and Mr. Mueller were negligent and that their negligence caused the collision. Mr. Weyer also alleges that SAIA acted willfully and wantonly in monitoring, training, and supervising Mr. Mueller. Mr. Weyer alleges that he suffered injuries as a result of the collision. SAIA and Mr. Mueller deny that they were negligent and deny that their negligence caused the collision. SAIA also denies that it acted willfully and wantonly. SAIA and Mr. Mueller also allege that Mr. Weyer was negligent and that his negligence caused or contributed to the collision. SAIA and Mr. Mueller also deny that Mr. Weyer was injured to the extent that he claims.

In order to streamline the process of jury selection, I have prepared the attached questionnaire. Please take a few moments to complete it. Although we have not given you a great deal of space for your answers, please do your best to write legibly so that I and the lawyers in the case can read your answers. Because your answers may assist me and the lawyers in the process of jury selection, it is very important that you be truthful and accurate in answering the questions. You will be asked some additional questions in the courtroom.

At the conclusion of the jury selection process, all of the questionnaires will be returned to the Court, and they will not be made part of the public record in the case.

Thank you for your time and for your service today.

Sincerely,

Matthew F. Kennelly
United States District Judge

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QUESTIONNAIRE FOR PROSPECTIVE JURORS

1. Your full name: _____ 2. Your age: _____
2. List all cities and towns where you have lived in the last ten years (if Chicago, say what part of Chicago, for example, Pullman, Marquette Park, Rogers Park, etc.):

3. Do you own your home or rent it? _____
4. Your level of education / degrees: _____
5. Have you served in the military? ____ If so, what branch of service? _____
6. Your current occupation, name of your employer, and number of years employed there (if you are retired, please give this information about your last occupation):

7. What other jobs and employers have you had during your working life?

8. If you are married, describe your spouse's occupation, employer, and number of years worked there (if spouse is retired, please give this information about past employment):

9. Employment information about others who live with you (for example, partner, children, parents, roommates), and any adult children:

10. What newspapers and magazines do you read regularly?

11. What TV or radio shows, TV or radio news shows, and TV or radio talk shows do you watch or listen to regularly?

12. What websites or blogs do you visit or read regularly?

(See back of page for additional questions.)

13. What are your hobbies and major interests outside of work?
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14. List any organizations you belong to or participate in (for example, union, professional, church, social, fraternal, recreational, political, etc.):
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15. Have you, or any relatives or close friends ever been a truck driver, bus driver, or other professional driver? _____
16. Have you ever had a bad experience with a truck driver? _____
17. Have you, or any relatives or close friends, ever suffered injuries from a motor vehicle collision or accident? _____
18. Do you have any experience or training in any of the following (check all that apply):
____ Medical / Health Care ____ Human Resources ____ Law / Legal
____ Trucking / Transportation Industry ____ Fitness / Bodybuilding
____ Mental Health / Social Work / Psychology
19. Have you, or any relatives or friends, ever suffered brain damage or neurological damage? _____
20. Have you ever served on a jury? ____ If yes, how many times? _____
21. Have you ever testified in court or in a deposition? _____
22. Have you or any family member ever been involved in a lawsuit or legal claim? (This includes matters you may have been involved in through your work.) _____
23. Do you have any family members or close friends who are lawyers or work in the court system? _____
24. Have you, or any relatives or friends, ever participated in drug or alcohol rehabilitation? **(NOTE—any follow-up questions will be asked privately.)** _____
25. Is there anything at all about the subject of this case that might make it difficult for you to be fair to one side or the other? If so, please explain.
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26. Are there any other facts or circumstances that you can think of that might affect your ability to serve as a fair and impartial juror in this case? If so, please explain.
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