

Dear Potential Juror:

Welcome to the United States Court for the Northern District of Illinois. We sincerely appreciate your participation as a prospective juror and hope that you will find the experience to be rewarding. Whether or not you are selected to sit as a juror today, you are a very important part of our system of justice.

You have been summoned as a potential juror in the case of _____ v. _____. Plaintiff claims that [insert]. Defendants deny Plaintiff's claim.

In order to streamline the process of jury selection, we have prepared the attached questionnaire. Please take a few moments to complete it. Although you will not have a great deal of space for your answers, try to write legibly so that we 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. We will ask you 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 again for your time and for your service today.

Sincerely,

Sheila Finnegan
United States Magistrate Judge

QUESTIONNAIRE FOR PROSPECTIVE JURORS

1. Your full name: _____ 2. Your age: _____

3. Cities or suburbs where you have lived for the last ten years:

4. Do you own your home or rent it? _____

5. Your level of education/degrees (how far did you go in school?):

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 (include military service)?

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, children, parents, roommates), and any adult children:

10. How do you usually receive your news: by television, newspaper, radio, or internet? (Please identify the news show, newspaper, or internet web site that you usually watch or read):

11. List any newspapers, magazines, internet websites, or other materials that you read regularly:

12. List any television or radio programs that you watch or listen to regularly, including any lawyer or police shows:

13. List your hobbies and major interests outside of work:

14. List any civic groups or organizations to which you belong:

15. Have you, or any relatives or close friends, ever been employed by the Village of Lombard, or by any local, state, or federal government agency? _____

16. Have you ever been responsible to supervise other workers, or have you ever been involved in making decisions to discipline, discharge, hire, train, or promote other workers? _____

17. Have you, or a relative or close friend, ever been discharged or fired from any job? If so, please identify the person involved and the nature of the job. _____

18. Have you, or a relative or close friend, ever felt that you were discriminated or retaliated against on the job, or treated unfairly by an employer? _____

19. Have you, or a relative or close friend, ever made a claim of discrimination or retaliation involving an employer? _____

20. Have you, or a relative or close friend, ever been accused of discrimination or retaliation? _____

21. Have you, or a relative or close friend, ever made a claim that you were not paid for all hours worked or for overtime? _____

22. Do you have any relatives or close friends who are attorneys, judges, or court personnel?

23. Do you have any legal training or experience? _____

24. Have you or a family member ever been sued, filed a lawsuit, or testified in a deposition or in court? (Include cases you may have been involved in through your employment.) _____

25. Have you ever served on a jury or grand jury? _____

26. Are there any facts or circumstances you believe that the court or the parties to the case should know about your ability to serve as a fair and impartial juror in this case?

27. Will you follow the Court's instructions on the law and suspend judgment until you have heard all of the evidence in this case? _____