

Post-Service Juror Questionnaire - The Information Was Requested:

Civil Cases (January 21, 2003 - November 16, 2004)

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Criminal Cases (February 5, 2001 - November 27, 2001)

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110	50	2	46.3%

QUESTIONS

1a **Was the jury notification process adequate to meet your needs for reporting and orientation?**

Criminal Cases

	Percentage	Replies
Yes	100.0%	50
No	0.0%	0
No Reply	0.0%	0
Total	100.0%	50

Civil Cases

	Percentage	Replies
Yes	93.3%	83
No	2.2%	2
No Reply	4.5%	4
Total	100.0%	89

1b **Do you feel that your utilization as a juror was**

Criminal Cases

	Percentage	Replies
Good	92.0%	46
Average	2.0%	1
Poor	4.0%	2
No Reply	2.0%	1
Total	100.0%	50

Civil Cases

	Percentage	Replies
Good	84.3%	75
Average	7.9%	7
Poor	2.2%	2
No Reply	5.6%	5

Total 100.0% 89

2a

Would you be willing to serve on a jury under conditions similar to those you have US
experience:

Criminal Cases	Percentage	Replies
Yes	94.0%	47
No	6.0%	3
No Reply	0.0%	0
Total	100.0%	50

Civil Cases	Percentage	Replies
Yes	88.8%	79
No	5.6%	5
No Reply	5.6%	5
Total	100.0%	89

2b

Are you more or less in favor of the jury system than you were before this jury service?

Criminal Cases	Percentage	Replies
More	38.0%	19
the same	58.0%	29
less	2.0%	1
No Reply	2.0%	1
Total	100.0%	50

Civil Cases	Percentage	Replies
More	46.1%	41
the same	48.3%	43
less	1.1%	1
No Reply	4.5%	4
Total	100.0%	89

2c

Based upon your experience as a juror would you be able to positively recommend jur
service to your friends?

Criminal Cases	Percentage	Replies
Yes	96.0%	48
No	2.0%	1

No Reply	2.0%	1
Total	100.0%	50

Percentage	Replies
92.1%	82
3.4%	3
4.5%	4
Total	100.0%

Civil Cases

Yes
No
No Reply

Please comment upon the adequacy, temperature, view, acoustics, comfort, etc. of the courtroom and jury deliberation room.

3a Criminal Cases

	Percentage	Replies
fine, good	31.9%	23
too cold	16.7%	12
bad acoustics	8.3%	6
uncomfortable chairs	5.6%	4
jury pool room was inadequate	5.6%	4
no reply	4.2%	3
judge, bailiff were great	4.2%	3
no complaints	1.4%	1
on cold days, heat was too high	1.4%	1
temperature was good	1.4%	1
good view of evidence	1.4%	1
good acoustics	1.4%	1
chairs were very comfortable	1.4%	1
it was a personal best	1.4%	1
not as nice as you see on television	1.4%	1
too warm	1.4%	1
better directions	1.4%	1
wants ability to call judge by phone	1.4%	1
inadequate lighting	1.4%	1
only serving because not working	1.4%	1
Kleenex should be available	1.4%	1
water should be refilled	1.4%	1
pre-determination of juror seating so that view is not obstructed	1.4%	1
old building	1.4%	1
Total	100.0%	72*

Civil Cases

	Percentage	Replies
too cold	32.6%	29
ok, fine	32.6%	29
comfortable	14.6%	13
dirty, needs improvement	3.4%	3
comfortable chairs	3.4%	3
jury room too warm	2.2%	2
small	2.2%	2
other jurors disruptive	2.2%	2
great experience	1.1%	1
good food	1.1%	1
too far	1.1%	1
need compensation	1.1%	1
court not to television standard	1.1%	1
no reply	1.1%	1
Total	100.0%	89

Please comment upon any distractions that may have had a tendency to interfere with jury deliberations.

3b

Criminal Cases

	Percentage	Replies
none	42.0%	21
no reply	28.0%	14
too many sidebars	6.0%	3
people entering and exiting the court room	6.0%	3
Defendant responded when one of the witnesses was asked a question	2.0%	1
audience was distracting	2.0%	1
loud doors	2.0%	1
home duties	2.0%	1
woman with panic attack caused jury to go home early during deliberations	2.0%	1
time management	2.0%	1
too many recesses	2.0%	1
Prosecutors laughing while Defendant was presenting its case	2.0%	1
listening to testimony through a translator is very distracting	2.0%	1

	Total	100.0%	50
Civil Cases			
none	69.7%		62
bad sound	6.7%		6
loud air conditioning	4.5%		4
no reply	4.5%		4
people entering and exiting the court room	3.4%		3
too many objections	2.2%		2
bad parking	2.2%		2
too long for lunch	1.1%		1
too many breaks	1.1%		1
cell phones	1.1%		1
uncomfortable chairs	1.1%		1
no coffee in court room	1.1%		1
jury duty interferes with life	1.1%		1
Total	100.0%		89

3c

Please comment on the adequacy of the recesses

Criminal Cases

	Percentage	Replies
Too Short	0.0%	0
About Right	73.0%	36.5
Too Long	27.0%	13.5
No Reply	0.0%	0
Total	100.0%	50

Civil Cases

	Percentage	Replies
Too Short	0.0%	0
About Right	94.4%	84
Too Long	5.6%	5
No Reply	0.0%	0
Total	100.0%	89

3d

Can you think of anything that the Court can do to make your jury service more meaningful or comfortable

Criminal Cases

	Percentage	Replies
no	28.8%	15

no reply	28.8%	15
shorter breaks	3.8%	2
not take so long	3.8%	2
provide a snack/ meal	3.8%	2
less breaks	3.8%	2
as an alternate juror I wanted to know the outcome of the trial	1.9%	1
Judge Farinas' office was the most comfortable	1.9%	1
chairs were uncomfortable	1.9%	1
too cold	1.9%	1
the system is fine	1.9%	1
I was satisfied	1.9%	1
positive experience	1.9%	1
too much waiting during jury selection	1.9%	1
free parking	1.9%	1
have both attorneys agree on expert qualifications	1.9%	1
the system should weed out incapable or unwilling jurors	1.9%	1
jury selection room needs more chairs and bathrooms	1.9%	1
all jurors should be selected early in the morning	1.9%	1
try to end by 5:00 p.m.	1.9%	1
Total	100.0%	52*

Civil Cases

	Percentage	Replies
no, none	41.6%	37
no reply	21.3%	19
it was adequate, okay	4.5%	4
happy with how it turned out	4.5%	4
judge was great	2.2%	2
more coffee	2.2%	2
fix parking situation	2.2%	2
chairs could be more comfortable	2.2%	2
public areas are old and uncomfortable	1.1%	1
alternate juror wanted to know outcome of case	1.1%	1

food was expensive	1	1.1%
reimbursement for travel expenses	1	1.1%
should be compensated at least minimum wage	1	1.1%
jurors should get paid what experts get paid	1	1.1%
shorter trials	1	1.1%
less repetition of the same questions by both parties	1	1.1%
it was nice	1	1.1%
there should be a meal ticket	1	1.1%
jury room could be more comfortable	1	1.1%
felt at ease and relaxed	1	1.1%
improve all facilities	1	1.1%
offer water and coffee to all jurors	1	1.1%
should advise jurors to take notes	1	1.1%
allow jurors to drink water/coffee in courtroom	1	1.1%
allow unselected jurors to go home early	1	1.1%
Total	89	100.0%

Do you have any comments or concerns regarding the trial process itself including jur selector and closing instructions:

Criminal Cases	Percentage	Replies
no	31.6%	18
no reply	19.3%	11
it was a learning experience	5.3%	3
too many sidebars	3.5%	2
one of the jurors knew that it was a hung jury	1.8%	1
the trial was fine	1.8%	1
feel lucky and proud to have been able to take part in the process	1.8%	1
I commend the jury selection	1.8%	1
attorneys did not stop talking after judge's ruling on objections	1.8%	1
I was surprised that so many jurors had been victims of crimes	1.8%	1
the jurors should be able to ask questions	1.8%	1
trouble following	1.8%	1

I could not understand objections	1.8%	1
jury selection seems like a trial of jurors, Defendant knew more about the jurors than the jurors knew about the Defendant	1.8%	1
would like to be advised of sentencing outcome by mail	1.8%	1
jury facing Defendant was uncomfortable	1.8%	1
jury questioning was too long	1.8%	1
some of the jury members did not adhere to instructions	1.8%	1
the information was presented in a proper manner	1.8%	1
several jurors did not understand the process	1.8%	1
jurors use excuses to get out of jury duty	1.8%	1
jurors should be asked if they fully understand the language	1.8%	1
instructions were effectively communicated as good as can be expected	1.8%	1
closing instructions are too long	1.8%	1
judge did a great job	1.8%	1
closing instructions were very clear	1.8%	1
Total	100.0%	57*

	<u>Percentage</u>	<u>Replies</u>
no, none	46.1%	41
no reply	21.3%	19
it was an interesting process and I was glad to be a part of it	4.5%	4
the case was well presented, jury and judge were fair	3.4%	3
everything was clear and concise	3.4%	3
alternate juror wanted to know outcome of case	3.4%	3
I questioned the judge's jury instructions	3.4%	3
everything was done perfect	2.2%	2
this trial should have been settled	2.2%	2
Plaintiffs presentation was too long and boring	1.1%	1
before one is selected it should be asked if a long trial would be a hardship	1.1%	1
terrific job by the Plaintiff, I love all the visual	1.1%	1

Civil Cases

aids			
I wanted to ask a few questions	1.1%	1	
should advise jurors to take notes	1.1%	1	
judge was great	1.1%	1	
if was as I expected	1.1%	1	
I was pleased with the law that allows the jury to ask questions	1.1%	1	
I didn't understand the jury instructions	1.1%	1	
Total	100.0%	89	

5 **I was the court, staff, judge, clerk, & Bailiff, helpin' and courtoos at all times**

Criminal Cases

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Civil Cases

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Yes	100.0%	89
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No Reply	0.0%	0
Total	100.0%	89

* Field in which some respondents gave more than one reply.