



# GRAND JURY

Your Civic Responsibility

## A MESSAGE FROM ANTHONY A. SCARPIANO, JR.

Westchester County District Attorney

Welcome to Grand Jury service. The civic responsibility of serving on a Grand Jury is fundamental to the integrity of the Criminal Justice System. Your participation in the process ensures that the rights guaranteed to all citizens by the Constitution are preserved and protected.

This information card will highlight procedures and requirements relating to your upcoming duties.

Thank you for taking time out of your work, home, and private schedule to serve the citizens of Westchester County.



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## **What is Grand Jury?**

A Grand Jury is a group, composed of the peers of the accused or a cross section of the community, summoned and sworn to determine whether the facts and accusations presented by the prosecutor warrant an indictment and eventual trial.

This special jury is called “grand” because of the relatively large number of jurors that make up the panel, traditionally 23, as compared to a petit jury.

## **Attendance and Dress**

The Grand Jury rooms are located on the 3rd floor of the Westchester County District Attorney's Office. You are expected to report every day that the Grand Jury is sitting according to your assigned panel's schedule.

You must wear your security tag that you received during impaneling at all times while in the Courthouse.

Attendance is taken in the Grand Jury room and cases are presented promptly at 10:00 a.m. each morning. You are subject to be sitting until 5:00 p.m. on each day of your scheduled service. Dress for Grand Jury service is casual. Please come in comfortable clothing.

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## **Parking**

Juror parking is located across the street from the County Courthouse building on 110 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Boulevard. Show (but do not surrender) your parking pass to the Court Officer and then place your pass on the dashboard of your vehicle.

## **Emergency Absences & Weather**

You are expected to attend all Grand Jury sessions on your schedule. Should an emergency arise which prevents your attendance, you must call the District Attorney's Office (914) 995-3359 with notification.

In the event of inclement weather, please call the District Attorney's Office (914) 995-3359 after 7:15 a.m. on the day you are to report, for information on closings or delays.

