

Whitman County District Court

Judge John Hart

Whitman County Courthouse
400 N. Main Street
Colfax, WA, 99111
(509) 397-6260

Pullman Branch
325 SE. Paradise Street
Pullman, WA, 99163
(509) 332-2065

Dear Whitman County Resident:

You have been selected at random from a combined master list of Whitman County registered voters and licensed drivers for jury duty in Whitman County District Court and we thank you for returning your jury service postcard so promptly.

Please complete the Juror Questionnaire and return it within seven (7) days by email to emily.banaszynski@whitmancounty.net or via postal mail to 325 SE Paradise Street, Pullman, WA, 99163. Everyone qualified for jury duty will be placed in the active jury pool from which each jury panel will be selected from at random.

Upon the return of your questionnaire you may be summoned either by mail, email, or phone to serve on a specific case. Your term of service is April 1, 2022 to September 30, 2022. The court has implemented the one appearance/one trial method. Once you appear for jury selection, whether or not you are seated, you are removed from the jury pool for the remainder of the term, unless you request to be put back in the pool for that term. Very rarely does a case in District Court exceed one day in length.

The amount allowable for payment of jurors is set by the Washington State Legislature. At this time, the payment is \$10.00 a day for each day you report, plus a travel allowance of \$0.56 per round trip mile. In addition, refreshments and meals are provided for the seated jury.

You may be excused from jury duty if you have a very compelling reason why you should not serve as a juror. Requests to be excused from jury service are reviewed and decided upon by the Judge on an individual basis. If it is impossible for you to serve, please set forth in full detail on the back of the questionnaire all your reasons. If you are able to serve as a juror but just not at certain times, please list any problem periods you may have. The court will make every effort to accommodate each juror's schedule and ensure your jury service does not interfere with your important plans and events.

The jury is vital to the American judicial system and one of the highest duties of citizenship. It provides an opportunity to participate in our judicial system. Thank you for your cooperation and willingness to perform your civic duty. Your service is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,



John Hart
District Court Judge