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New Postcard Jury Summons

Santa Ana, Calif. – On November 7, 2014, the Orange County Superior Court will begin using a new method of summoning residents to serve as jurors. Instead of an envelope containing a summons and directions, prospective jurors will now receive a postcard which indicates when and where they are to appear for jury service. A copy of a representative postcard appears below. The postcard directs the prospective juror to respond to their summons using eJuror, an online application which is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week, at www.occourts.org/ejuror. Prospective jurors without access to a computer will still have the option of completing a paper form, which can be requested by calling the Office of the Jury Commissioner at 657-622-7000.

The change from a summons in an envelope to a postcard jury summons was done to reduce printing and postage costs. The change will save an estimated 30 percent of costs – approximately \$100,000 per year. This is another example of the Superior Court's efforts to reduce costs and become more efficient in response to cuts in court funding since the recession began. It also reflects the expansion of Superior Court services to accommodate the public's interest in conducting business online, instead of in person. For example, if a person is not qualified to serve, or wishes to postpone service to a more convenient date, they can use eJuror to resolve their question rather than having to mail in a paper form, or make a trip to the courthouse.

For more information about responding to a jury summons, please visit the Court's website at www.occourts.org, or call 657-622-7000.

Sample Postcard Jury Summons

