



## Grand Jurors Association of Orange County



### GJAOC THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW

1. Formed in 1970 as an organization of former Grand Jurors with objectives of educating the public on the role and function of the Grand Jury system in California and in Orange County, and to attract new jurors.
2. Membership of 150 former jurors as of February 2017.
3. General membership luncheon meetings on the first Thursday of March, June, September and December. Board of Directors meets on first Thursday of the alternate months.
4. The Board of Directors is comprised of 12 members who are elected by the Regular Members to serve for two years. There are currently 11 Directors, and we anticipate two more vacancies this year.
5. The Association has ten committees. The:
  - Audit
  - Membership
  - Nominating, and
  - Program Committeesare standing committees of the Association. The:
  - Taxpayer's Oversight Committee Selection Panel
  - Editorial/Public Relations
  - Tracking & Implementation
  - Legislative
  - Public Service Committees and the
  - Speakers Bureauare Ad Hoc committees.

These committees are what makes the Association go. We are continually seeking members for these committees. You do not need to be on the Board of Directors. The time required depends on the committee. It's a great opportunity to contribute if you believe in the Grand Jury system and want to be a part of a "together we can make a difference" team.

If you are interested in joining a committee, or becoming a Director please contact me at one of the two numbers listed below.

6. One of our objectives for 2017 is to explore how the GJAOC might work more closely with the Court to assist in Jury recruitment and selection, and other Court/Jury matters as appropriate. To that end, Stan Ness, Sandy Dunkin and I met with Judge Nakamura, the Presiding Judge for the Grand Jury, to introduce the GJAOC, and to discuss Jury-related ideas and possible future rules for the Association. The discussion topics ranged from holdover jurors to the use of social media in juror recruitment. The Judge was impressed with some of our ideas, and he is going to discuss some of them with the Court. We are scheduling a similar meeting with the new Court Executive Officer, David Yamasaki.
7. WEBSITE We are going to convey most of our information, updates, and status reports to the members on our website [gjaoc.org](http://gjaoc.org) this year. It is easier, faster and cheaper. Check the site often!!!

8. We on the Board are looking forward to a great year...Come join us!!

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President, GJAOC

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