

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

ATTIRE

Jurors should dress in business casual. **(NO TANK TOPS, SHORTS, HATS, OR CAPS.)**

SECURITY

You will be required to go through a metal detector when entering the courthouse. All briefcases, purses and packages will be X-rayed by security. Cellular phones and pagers must be turned off while in the courtroom.

DISABILITIES

Access to jury service is available to all persons as required by the ADA Act of 1990. If you are a person with a disability and are in need of accommodations, please call (956) 318-2200 option 1, no later than 7 days prior to your appearance date. You can also download the Juror Disability and Medical Certification Form on our website www.co.hidalgo.tx.us/districtclerk.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

If your employer requires proof of attendance, you may obtain an excuse at the District Clerk's Office.

WHEN PAID

Jury checks will be processed 1 to 2 weeks after jury service has been completed and are valid for 90 days.

EXCUSES

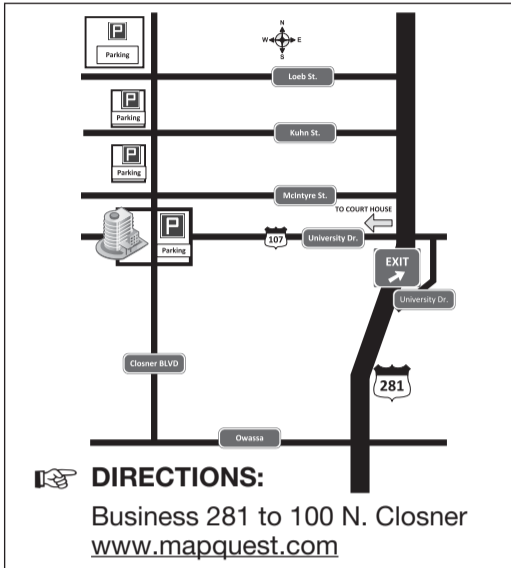
Personal excuses such as illness, work or hardship may only be granted by a District Judge. These requests may be made at the time of reporting. A deferral/postponement can be granted by visiting www.co.hidalgo.tx.us/ejuror.

RIGHT TO REEMPLOYMENT

A private employer may not terminate the employment of a permanent employee because the employee serves as a juror. An employee whose employment is terminated is a violation of Civil Practice and Remedies Code, Section 122.001.

LOCATION:

Courthouse
100 N. Closser
Edinburg, Texas 78539



DIRECTIONS:

Business 281 to 100 N. Closser
www.mapquest.com

PLEASE SEE MAP FOR DIRECTIONS TO COURTHOUSE AND DESIGNATED PARKING. PLEASE USE THE PARKING AREA LOCATED ON KUHN ST. & LOEB ST. FOR OVERFLOW.

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For helpful information on jury process, visit website @americanjuror.org

YOU ARE NOT REQUIRED TO SERVE AS A JUROR IF AN EXEMPTION OR DISQUALIFICATION BELOW APPLIES TO YOU. TO CLAIM AN EXEMPTION OR DISQUALIFICATION, DARKEN THE OVAL, SIGN, DATE, AND MAIL TO THE ADDRESS ON THE FRONT OF THIS FORM.

DISQUALIFICATIONS (DESCALIFICACION)

GOVERNMENT CODE 62.102

- I am under 18 years of age
 - I am not a resident of Hidalgo County.
 - I am not a citizen of the United States. (No soy ciudadano de los Estados Unidos.)
 - I am not of sound mind. **(A letter from your doctor must accompany this request.)**
 - I can not read or write.
 - I have served 6 or more days as a petit juror, in county court during the last 3 months, or in district court during the last 6 months.
 - I have been convicted of theft or a felony.
 - I am under indictment or legal accusation of a theft or felony.
- If marked, your Hidalgo County voter registration will be deleted.

EXEMPTIONS (EXCEPCIONES)

GOVERNMENT CODE 62.106 – 62.108

- I am over 70 years of age;
- I am over 70 years of age and wish to claim a permanent exemption;
- I have custody of a child under 12 years of age and must leave the child without adequate care to serve;
- I am a high school student and/or enrolled in and attending college;
- I am a member of the United States Military Forces serving on active duty and currently deployed outside of Hidalgo County.
- I am an officer or employee of the legislative branch of state government; give legislative branch and your job title: _____ (Does not include law enforcement officers)
- I am the primary caretaker of an invalid. (This exemption does not apply to health care workers.)
- I have served as a juror in the county during the 24-month period prior to the date of this jury summons.

If claiming an exemption or disqualification, sign your name and return this summons with the completed jury questionnaire in the envelope provided within 5 days or visit www.co.hidalgo.tx.us/ejuror.

FILL IN OVAL TO INDICATE AN UPDATE TO VOTERS REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED, THEN COMPLETE THE FORM.

FOR REGISTERED VOTERS ONLY VOTER REGISTRATION UPDATE

BELOW ENTER NAME AND/OR ADDRESS CHANGES OR ADD D.L.#.

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

DATE OF BIRTH: _____ D.L.#: _____

SIGNATURE: _____

I do certify under penalty of perjury that I am disqualified/exempt because of the reason marked above.

SIGNATURE _____

Non-profit Organizations Information (beneficiaries of juror's pay)

Hidalgo County Child Welfare Board - The mission of the HCCWB is to support victims of child abuse and neglect; ensure the needs of Hidalgo County children in foster care are met and educate the local community regarding these issues; to help children in foster care lead the most normal lives possible under less than ideal circumstance; and to help reduce cases of child abuse and neglect in the future.

Compensation to Victims of Crime Fund - The Crime Victims' Compensation Program is administered by the Office of the Attorney General and is dedicated to ensuring that victims of violent crime are provided financial assistance for crime-related expenses that cannot be reimbursed by insurance or other sources.

Mujeres Unidas/Women Together - Victims of Domestic Violence - The Mission of Mujeres Unidas is to provide shelter and programs for women, men and children who are victims of domestic violence and sexual assault while enabling them to break the cycle of violence and live a life free from oppression.

Rainbow Room - The Rainbow Room is an emergency resource room stocked with items to assist Child Protective Services Caseworkers in helping families and children in crisis. When there is a child in need, the caseworker can access the Rainbow Room for emergency supplies such as food, diapers, baby formula, and clothes.