Superior Court of California County of Marin

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Dear Prospective Juror:

Thank you in advance for your service.

The right to a jury trial dates back more than 800 years to the Magna Carta. Our nation's founders considered the right so important that they listed it in our Declaration of Independence, citing it as an important ground for the formation of our nation. The right is also embedded in our Constitution and is what separates our judicial system from most others. To that end, your participation is vital. Without fair-minded citizens' participation, the right is lost, and our judicial system fails.

Before you arrive at court, I want you to know some important information about recent changes in local, state, and federal COVID-19 guidelines and how those changes may affect your experience here at the court.

Consistent with current public health guidelines, the court will no longer require persons to socially distance or wear face coverings if fully vaccinated. When you arrive at court, you will have your temperature taken and will be required to fill out a health survey and a vaccination status form. Persons who attest that they are fully vaccinated may elect to wear or not wear a face covering. Persons who are not vaccinated or who decline to provide their vaccination status will be required to wear a face covering at all times. In addition, we have modified our jury assembly room, including the installation of new portable HEPA air purifiers to circulate and clean air, and the replacement of the old jury chairs with new easier to clean chairs. The jury assembly room, the courtrooms, and the jury deliberation rooms are also being electrostatically cleaned regularly.

We look forward to seeing you soon.

Andrew E. Sweet