

JURY DUTY

When you receive a Subpoena for Jury Duty, follow these instructions:

1. Fill out the Juror Questionnaire and return it to the appropriate division of court before the date you are scheduled to appear.
2. Call the phone number shown on the subpoena after 4:30 pm (not earlier) the day before you are scheduled to appear.
3. Before coming to the courthouse, review and comply with the Court Appearance guidelines listed above.
4. Arrive at the courthouse earlier than the time set out on the subpoena because you will be required to go through security screening. Be prepared to wait in line due to the number of other people attending.
5. Do not speculate, guess or investigate about the case, or ask others what they know or have heard.
6. To be qualified to serve on the jury, you must be 18 years of age or older, and a citizen of both the United States and the State of Louisiana. You must have lived within Lafourche Parish for at least one year immediately before the day you are scheduled to appear. And you must be able to read, write and speak English.
7. You may claim an exemption from jury duty if you are 70 years old or older, or you have served on a grand jury or petit jury within two years of the date you are scheduled to appear. Even if you meet one of these exemptions, you may choose to not to claim it.
8. If you fail to obey the jury subpoena that you have received, and do not appear on the date you are scheduled to appear, a contempt warrant may be issued for your arrest.