Santa Clara County Superior Court Celebrates Juror Appreciation Week May 10–14, 2021

The Santa Clara County Superior Court will celebrate Juror Appreciation Week, May 10–14, in honor of the countless Santa Clara County residents who serve their community through jury duty or Civil Grand Jury membership. Recognition for jurors during the second week in May was established by a special resolution passed by the California Legislature in 1998 to acknowledge the significant contributions of citizens who devote their time and effort in “making the cherished right of trial by jury a reality.”

Each year, the Santa Clara County Superior Court and the Judicial Council of California team up to recognize the millions of Californians who answer the call to serve their communities and put into practice the fundamental American ideal of trial by jury.

The COVID-19 pandemic has resulted in radical changes to our way of life. Our families and communities have been affected in profound ways that we are still reckoning with, from classrooms to courthouses. For the judicial branch, that has meant leveraging technology to provide more services remotely and implementing procedures to protect public health and safety while maintaining access to justice.

“Our Court is immensely grateful to jurors past, present, and future who contribute their time and efforts to the democratic process and the furtherance of justice for the people of Santa Clara County. Although our Courts may look and operate differently with social distancing protocols, plexiglass partitions, masks, and increased use of remote video technology, our dutiful jurors continue to serve our community faithfully and responsibly. Our judicial officers and court staff thank you for your service,” said Presiding Judge Theodore C. Zayner.

We recognize the invaluable service our jurors provide: there is simply no replacement for their role in our legal system. As we continue to navigate the pandemic, there will always be a need for jurors and, through their service, our community is able to resolve disputes in a court of law.

For more information on jury service, contact ssjuryinfo@scscourt.org at (408) 808-6666, and visit Santa Clara County Jury Service or the Jury Service section of the California Courts website.