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2022 Civil Grand Jury Reaches End of Term

SAN JOSÉ, California (December 30, 2022): Today marks the completion of the County of Santa Clara Civil Grand Jury's calendar year term for one year of service. Members of the Civil Grand Jury assure honest and efficient government through the investigation of complaints from residents, civic groups, government employees and others about the operations of County and City governments and the conduct of their officers and employees. Serving as the guardian of public trust in local government, this group of civic-minded residents are collectively known as the "Civil Watchdog".

"Grand Jury service affords citizens the unique opportunity to contribute to the efficiency of local government and to play an integral role in ensuring that the government is accountable to residents," expressed Presiding Judge Theodore C. Zayner. "The Court is grateful to these individuals for their tremendous effort, their commitment, and the sacrifice of their time."

Each grand juror took an Oath in the words of California Penal Code §911, not to disclose grand jury information, "...I will not disclose any evidence brought before the grand jury, nor anything which I or any other grand juror may say, nor the manner in which I or any other grand juror may have voted on any matter before the grand jury...".

Reaching the end of the calendar year, the Civil Grand Jury has published its findings, conclusions and recommendations through a series of reports which are distributed to public officials, local government agencies and the press. Agencies or departments, which are the subjects of investigations, are required to respond to the findings and recommendations within 60 or 90 days as outlined in the Penal Code.

Grand Jury Reports can be located via the [Civil Grand Jury page](#) on the Court's website.

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