#### GPS ADDRESS: 24 MERCHANT ST., TRENTON, NJ 08608

## **ATTENTION:**

The Court provides juror parking at the Merchant Street juror parking lot. Below are the directions to the jury lot. <u>The</u> <u>Court will provide a token to exit this lot.</u> <u>The Court can not reimburse for parking in any other parking lot</u>.

DIRECTIONS TO MERCHANT STREET PARKING LOT FOR THE CLARKSON S. FISHER FEDERAL BUILDING AND U.S. COURTHOUSE LOCATED AT 402 EAST STATE STREET, TRENTON, NJ 08608

Check our website for updated directions due to construction projects.

## DIRECTIONS FROM ROUTE 31 SOUTH



Take Route 31 South to its end (Pennington Rd), bear right onto U.S. 206 South (Warren St.), travel 1/4 mile and turn left onto Perry St. Travel approximately 1/2 mile and turn right onto N. Stockton St (firehouse on left,), travel 1/4 mile and turn left onto Merchant St, enter 2nd parking lot on left.

### **DIRECTIONS FROM ROUTE 206 SOUTH**

Take Route 206 South to Circle in Lawrenceville, follow signs for Route 1 South (Strawberry St) to Route 1 South (Trenton Freeway) to Perry St exit. Take ramp to traffic light and turn left at next traffic light (firehouse on your right), turn left onto N. Stockton St, continue 1/4 mile, turn left onto Merchant St, enter 2nd parking lot on left.

#### **DIRECTIONS FROM ROUTE I-195 WEST**

Take Route I-195 West to its end, continue onto Routes 29 and 129, highway will split, follow Route 129 North, go through 3 traffic lights, road will merge onto Route U.S. 1 North (Trenton Freeway) to Perry St exit. Take ramp and turn left at stop sign (go over Route 1) to 2nd traffic light (N. Stockton St) (firehouse on right) and turn left, continue 1/4 mile and turn left onto Merchant St, enter 2nd parking lot on left.

#### **DIRECTIONS FROM ROUTE 29 SOUTH**

Take Route 29 South to the Market St exit, continue on Market St through 6 traffic lights to S. Stockton St (Dept of Motor Vehicles on left) and turn left, continue on S. Stockton St (becomes N. Stockton St) through 3 traffic lights, 1 block past 3rd traffic light make a right onto Merchant St, enter 2nd parking lot on left.

### **DIRECTIONS FROM ROUTE 33 WEST**

Take Route 33 (Greenwood Ave) to S. Clinton Ave and turn right continue on S. Clinton Ave over railroad bridge, pass the train station to E. State St, turn left onto E. State St, travel 1/4 mile to W. Canal St and turn right, bear left onto Merchant St, turn right into the Merchant Street parking lot.

#### **DIRECTIONS FROM ROUTE 539 SOUTH**

Take Route 539 North to Route I-195 West (follow directions from Route I-195 West above).

#### **DIRECTIONS FROM ROUTE 1 SOUTH**

Take Route 1 South to the Perry St exit, take the ramp to the traffic light and turn left, at next traffic light (firehouse on right) make a left onto N. Stockton St, continue 1/4 mile and turn left onto Merchant St, enter 2nd parking lot on the left.

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for additional information or to complete your information on-line and/or request a postponement or excuse, click on "For Jurors," then "eJuror."



Trenton Vicinage Jury Department 609-989-2141 E-mail : juryhelp-trenton@njd.uscourts.gov

## PLEASE TAKE A MOMENT TO READ THIS IMPORTANT INFORMATION

This has been prepared to help answer some of the commonly asked questions about federal jury service. For additional information, visit our website **at www.njd.uscourts.gov and click on "For Jurors."** 

INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR SUMMONS TRENTON VICINAGE (Hunterdon, Mercer, Monmouth, Southern Middlesex, Ocean, Somerset, and Warren)

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## A WORD OF THANKS

We in the Courts want you to know how much your cooperation and participation in this process of justice means to the Judges, attorneys and parties in the trials and how vital each individual juror is to the success of the whole judiciary system - "Being judged by a Jury of our Peers".

> United States District Court For The District of New Jersey

# RETURNING THE JUROR INFORMATION PORTION OF YOUR SUMMONS

The juror information portion of your summons is located on the lower half of your summons form. You must complete, sign and return it to the Court within 5 days of receipt of your summons. A return address envelope is enclosed for your convenience. You may complete your information on-line at www.njd.uscourts.gov and click on "For Jurors," then "eJuror."

You must have your 9 digit participant number to complete the information. Please retain the top part of the summons and bring it with you when you report.

# HOW DO I KNOW WHEN TO REPORT?

**Prior** to reporting for jury service, you <u>MUST CALL</u> (1-866-363-8154 or outside NJ 609-989-2374) for your reporting instructions, <u>after 5:00 P.M. the</u> <u>business day prior</u> to the date on the <u>summons</u>. When calling for your instructions, you must have your 9-digit participant number to access the system. The 9-digit participant number is located to the right of your name on the summons.

V ou may also obtain reporting instructions via the internet at our website <u>www.njd.uscourts.gov</u>. Click on the "For Jurors" link and "Check Status of Your Jury Court Appearance" link and proceed as instructed. When using the website, you need your 9-digit participant number along with your zip code. Reporting instructions or status of hardship requests can NOT be accessed through "eJuror" – see "How do I check the status of my Hardship Request." It is important to listen to or read the <u>entire</u> <u>message carefully</u> for your specific reporting instructions. The message will indicate when to actually report OR when to check again for further instructions. <u>Please ONLY report for jury duty when</u> <u>instructed to do so</u>. You **WILL NOT** be paid if you appear when you were instructed NOT to appear.

# HOW LONG IS MY TERM OF SERVICE?

You will be "<u>ON CALL</u>" for a period of 2 weeks. You may be required to report for jury selection periodically during your term. The number of reporting days may vary depending on the needs of the court. You will have to **appear only** on specific days as directed. You will not

have to appear everyday. If you are selected for a petit jury, you must serve until the

conclusion of the trial.

# WHAT IF I HAVE A SERIOUS HARDSHIP OR NEED A POSTPONEMENT?

**T** f you have a compelling reason to request to be postponed or excused from jury service, send a written request detailing the hardship, along with your completed juror information card. You may make your request on-line at www.njd.uscourts.gov and click on "For Jurors," then "eJuror." You must complete the summons information prior to requesting a hardship. The Court will not accept letters from employers. ALL MEDICAL REQUESTS MUST IN-CLUDE A PHYSICIAN'S STATEMENT FORM. You can download this form for your doctor to complete from our website under "Jury FAQ." If a juror is employed, please provide an explanation of why it is more detrimental to serve on a jury than reporting to their normal employment. All requests will be reviewed by the Court.

# HOW DO I CHECK THE STATUS OF MY REQUEST (GRANTED OR DENIED)?

Y ou must call the automated phone system (1-866-363-8154 or outside NJ 609-989-2374) or go to our internet website to receive the status of your request. Please allow 5-7 business days after submitting your request. You WILL NOT receive a written response in the mail.

# **FINANCIAL HARDSHIPS**

The jury department can not excuse you from jury service due to a financial hardship. You must appear on the date specified and present your situation to the judge. You will be paid an attendance fee of \$50 for each day of service (increased to \$60 per day after 10 days of service) along with mileage and toll reimbursement for travel to and from the courthouse.

# SCHEDULING CONFLICTS

I f you are requesting a postponement of jury service within your 2 week term (i.e., medical appointments, vacations, business obligations), the jury department will work with you to coordinate your jury service within your term of service. Please send a written request in the envelope provided or an e-mail to juryhelp-trenton@njd.uscourts.gov.

# ARE THERE RESTRICTIONS AT THE COURTHOUSE?

A ll persons will be screened upon entering the Courthouse. Please have photo identification and your summons available.

## PERMITTED

Food, drink and electronic devices.

## PROHIBITED

Cameras, recording devices, knives, scissors and similar items. Please do not have these items in your possession upon arrival.

# ARE THERE PENALTIES FOR FAIL-URE TO RESPOND OR APPEAR FOR JURY SERVICE?

Title 28, U.S.C. Section 1866(g) provides that any person who fails to respond or comply with the summons may be fined up to \$1,000.00, imprisoned up to 3 days, ordered to perform community service or combination thereof.

