

NOTICE

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1861, all litigants in Federal courts “entitled to trial by jury shall have the right to grand and petit jurors selected at random from a fair cross section of the community in the district or division wherein the court convenes.” To that end, this court uses a two (2) step process to select jurors. First, a master jury wheel is created by selecting names at random from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania’s Voter Registration List. Then, names are randomly drawn from the master jury wheel to receive a form of juror qualification questionnaire. An individual’s answers to this questionnaire determines whether they are deemed qualified to serve as a juror. If so, the names of those persons are then put into a second wheel, called the qualified jury wheel. As prospective jurors are needed for a petit or grand jury service, juror summonses are sent to those persons randomly selected from the qualified jury wheel. All these selections are carried out through a properly programmed electronic data processing system for pure randomized selection. The pure randomized process ensures that the mathematical odds of any single name being picked are substantially equal.

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