

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

HON. CYNTHIA VALENZUELA UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

JUROR QUESTIONNAIRE

<u>Instructions:</u> Please read each question carefully. When it is your turn to answer questions, the court will ask you to respond out loud to questions 1 through 5. As to questions 6 through 18, please only respond to those for which your answer is "yes."

- 1. What is your general area of residence? How long have you lived in that area?
- 2. What is your marital status?
- 3. What is your occupation?
- 4. What is the occupation of your spouse, former spouse, adult children, and any other adults living in your household?
- 5. Have you ever served on a jury?
 - a. If so, how many times?
 - b. Was it a criminal or civil case?
 - c. Did you reach a verdict? (Please answer "yes" or "no." <u>Do not tell us the verdict.</u>)
 - d. If it was a civil case, what were the claims against the parties?
 - e. If it was a criminal case, what were the charges against the defendant?
- 6. Do you know any of the witnesses in this case or recognize any of their names?
- 7. Do you know the judge, any of the court staff, the plaintiff(s), the defendant(s), the attorney(s) involved in this case, or anyone else you see in the courtroom?
- 8. Have you or anyone close to you had any legal training or experience?

- 9. Have you or anyone close to you ever been involved in any civil or criminal case as a plaintiff, defendant, or witness?
- 10. Have you, any family member, or close friend had any training or experience in law enforcement, either professionally or as a volunteer?
- 11. Have you or anyone close to you ever been arrested for, charged with, or convicted of a crime?
- 12. Have you or anyone close to you ever been the victim of a crime?
- 13. Do you or anyone close to you have frequent contact with individuals involved in the criminal justice system, including prosecutors, criminal defense attorneys, judges, courtroom personnel, probation officers, and correctional officers?
- 14. [Case-specific questions.]
- 15. Will you have any difficulty following the law as given to you by the judge, even if you may disagree with it?
- 16. Is there anything about the nature of this case that would make you favor one side or the other, or which might make it difficult for you to sit as a juror in this case?
- 17. Do you belong to any group or organization that takes a stand on any issue related to this case?
- 18. Is there any reason you cannot be a fair and impartial juror in this case?