

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF NORTH DAKOTA**

JUROR INFORMATION SHEET - FARGO
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This sheet provides practical information that will be important throughout your term of jury service. It is important that you **KEEP THIS INFORMATION SHEET** and refer to it each time you receive a notice to report for jury service. Questions should be directed to:

Office of the Clerk, United States District Court
655 1st Avenue North, Suite 130, Fargo, ND 58102
Juryline: 1-877-614-2377
Jury Email: Fargo_Jury@ndd.uscourts.gov

LOCATION: The Quentin N. Burdick U.S. Courthouse is located at 655 First Avenue North, Fargo. Please report to Suite 220.

JURY TERM: The term of service is four months: January through April, May through August, and September through December. You will only be required to report to the courthouse for one trial during your term of service. You will be notified to report for a specific trial approximately 2-3 weeks prior to the date you are required to appear. Your written notice (sent either by email or US mail) will include the date and time you must report and the estimated length of the trial. You must respond to the notice immediately to acknowledge that you have received the Notice to Appear.

COURT HOURS: Court is usually in session Monday through Friday from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM and 1:30 PM to 5:00 PM.

SECURITY: A valid Photo I.D. is required to enter the Federal Courthouse and you will be required to go through security. Cell phones are allowed in the Federal Courthouse. Lighters and vaping materials are not allowed in the Federal Courthouse.

PERSONAL: Notify this office of changes in name, address, telephone or employment.

JURY FEES/EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENTS: You will be paid an attendance fee of \$50 for each day you report for jury service and for each travel day. In addition, you will be paid for round trip [mileage](#) from your residence to the courthouse. If it is necessary for you to use public transportation (except taxi cabs) the actual reasonable expense of such public transportation will be paid. If you live 50 miles or further from the courthouse, you may travel the day before you are summoned to report and may stay overnight during the trial if you are selected as a juror. You must provide the court with a hotel receipt. When making hotel reservations, you are encouraged to request the federal government rate. You may also choose to stay with family or friends. When an overnight stay is required, you will be paid a [subsistence amount](#). If you live within 50 miles of the courthouse you will not be paid the subsistence amount. You may stay overnight if you choose, but you will be paid the mileage amount. All jurors are responsible for their own meal expenses. It is not necessary to submit receipts for meals.

Jury fees will be paid to you as soon after the session of court as possible. 1099 forms will be issued by the Court when attendance fees total \$2,000 or more in a calendar year. Please keep a record of the attendance fees paid to you. The \$50 attendance fee is the only amount you must declare as income.

PARKING: The Court will pay for parking expenses. If you park in the Roberts Commons Parking Garage located at 217 Roberts Street North (northeast of the courthouse), you will receive a validation coupon code when you call the Jury Line the day BEFORE you are to appear for jury service. You will use the coupon code to complete parking registration in this garage; see parking map on next page for parking registration instructions. There is an elevator in the parking garage. If you park in a different parking lot or ramp you must submit a receipt to be reimbursed. Please WRITE YOUR NAME on the back of your parking receipt and return it to the Court. Advise the clerk when checking in that you will have a parking receipt. Street parking is hourly and your time in court will exceed the parking time restrictions. Jurors are responsible for any parking violation notices issued by the police department or other parking authority. All jurors must enter the courthouse using the main door located on 1st Avenue North.

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES: Full-time, part-time or temporary employees of the Federal Government, excluding Postal employees, who serve as jurors in federal court are not entitled to an attendance fee unless you are in a non-pay status during all or part of your jury service. If you are a federal employee, report this fact to the clerk's office and advise as to any days you are in a non-pay status.

REQUESTS FOR EXCUSE: Requests for excuse on the basis of undue hardship or extreme inconvenience will not be considered unless a written request, by letter or by email (Fargo_Jury@ndd.uscourts.gov) is received by us at least three days before the date you are instructed to report. Except in emergency situations, a telephone request for excuse cannot be granted. Requests for excuse must be from the juror (not an employer) and must be in writing. Requests for excuse because of vacations or business trips should be forwarded to this office as soon as you become aware of such dates. If you appear for jury duty only to request an excuse, you will not be paid any fees.

INJURIES: Title 28 USC 1877 extends coverage under the Federal Employees' Compensation Act (FECA) to all federal jurors. Coverage under FECA is provided whenever a juror is in attendance at court pursuant to a summons. Current regulations deny FECA coverage while jurors are traveling to or from the courthouse.

EMPLOYMENT STATUS: Title 28 USC 1875 provides for the protection of jurors against discharge or coercion by employers as a result of being called for jury service. There is no requirement that employers must pay their employees while they are on jury service. Please check with your employer regarding the company policy for employees serving on jury duty.

DRESS: While no formal dress code exists, jurors are requested to dress in a manner respectful to the litigants and the Court. Generally, the trial begins immediately after jury selection is completed. If, because of distance, it is necessary for you to stay overnight, please be prepared to do so in the event you are selected as a juror. The temperature in the courtroom is often cool so we suggest that you bring a sweater or light jacket for your comfort.

BEFORE REPORTING FOR JURY SERVICE: After 12:00 PM on the day BEFORE you are to appear for jury service, you must call the Juryline at 1-877-614-2377. You will need your nine digit participant number to access the final reporting instructions. Your participant number is located on the Summons that was mailed to you. The Juryline is available on Sunday and holidays.

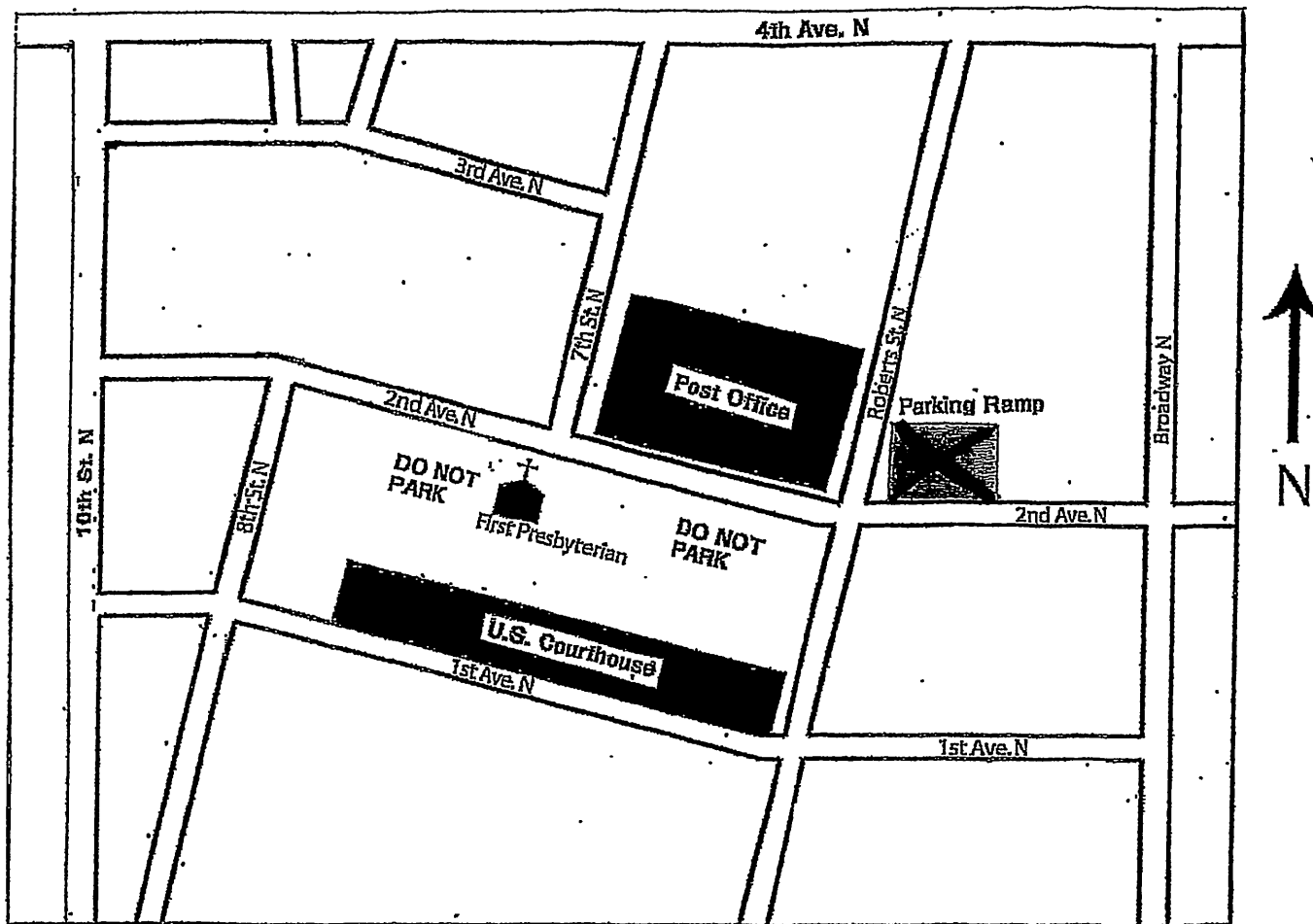
If you include your telephone number and/or email address on your jury questionnaire, you may receive an automated call from the Court to remind you of your reporting date and time OR to advise if there has been a change in the court schedule.

FAILURE TO CALL THE JURY LINE MAY RESULT IN NON-PAYMENT OF FEES.

The Court sincerely hopes that your service as a juror will be a rewarding experience. If there is anything the court staff can do to make your service more pleasant, please tell us.

Quentin N. Burdick U.S. Courthouse
655 1st Avenue North
Fargo, ND 58102

Parking Ramp 



The above parking ramp is located within walking distance of the U.S. Courthouse:

Roberts Commons Parking Garage – The entrance to the parking ramp is on Roberts Street North. Proceed to the hourly parking spots located on *LEVELS 2-7*. There is an elevator in the parking garage.

This parking garage uses License Plate Recognition cameras to link your parking sessions to a license plate. All jurors will need to register their vehicle by entering contact information and license plate number upon parking in the Roberts Commons Parking Garage. You will receive a validation coupon code to complete the vehicle registration process when you call the Jury Line the day **BEFORE** you are to appear for jury service.

SEE the parking garage instructions on other side.

If you park in another parking lot/parking ramp, please submit your parking receipt with **YOUR NAME WRITTEN** on the back of the receipt. You will be reimbursed for parking in other parking lots/parking ramps. You must submit a parking receipt to be reimbursed parking fees.

Please allow yourself enough time to find a parking spot. Jurors are responsible for any parking violation tickets issued by the Police Department or other parking authority.

You must enter the U.S. Courthouse by using the main door located on 1st Avenue North.

ROBERTS COMMONS PARKING GARAGE INSTRUCTIONS – Vehicle Parking Registration

This parking garage uses License Plate Recognition cameras to link your parking sessions to a license plate. All jurors will need to register their vehicle upon parking in the Roberts Commons Parking Garage.

Juror Arrival and Parking Registration Flow

1. **Juror pulls into the garage.**
The overhead roll door will open automatically — no ticket is issued.
2. **Juror parks in an unmarked daily parking space (Levels 2-7).**
3. **Juror scans the posted QR code.**
This begins the parking registration. You will be provided a validation coupon code when you call the Jury Line the day BEFORE you are to appear for jury service.
The QR code will also be available for you to scan when you check in for jury duty.
You will need your license plate number to complete the parking registration.
Please remember your license plate number.
4. **After scanning QR code, juror will enter:**
 - License plate number
 - Contact information
 - Parking duration (select all day option 6-24 HOURS)
5. **Juror enters Federal Court validation coupon code during parking registration.**
The Federal Court validation coupon code must be entered during parking registration.
You will be provided a validation coupon code when you call the Jury Line the day BEFORE you are to appear for jury service.

If you prefer, you may complete the parking registration after you check in for jury duty.
The QR code will be available for you to scan when you check in for jury duty.
You will need your license plate number to complete the parking registration.
Please remember your license plate number.
6. **Juror completes parking registration.**
A PIN code will appear on the confirmation screen which will be texted or emailed to you.
SAVE THE PIN CODE for later use to re-enter the parking garage.
7. **Juror uses the PIN code for pedestrian re-entry into the parking garage.**
This PIN is required for access back into the garage during the jury trial/court session.
SAVE THE PIN CODE for later use to re-enter the parking garage.
8. **When leaving,** the guest returns to their vehicle and pulls slowly to the exit lane.
The roll door will lift automatically.
During peak times, doors may remain open to accommodate traffic.
You do not need to wait for the door to close between vehicles.

NOTE: Jury Staff will be available to assist jurors to complete the parking registration *after* you check in for jury duty. You will need your license plate number to complete the parking registration. Please remember your license plate number.