

JUROR INFORMATION

Any person summoned for jury duty may be excused or deferred by the judge or the judge's designee for the term if:

- The person shows that he or she will be engaged during his or her term of jury duty in work necessary to the public health, safety, or good order. [OCGA 15-12-1.1\(a\)\(1\)](#)
- The person is a full-time student at a college, university, vocational school, or other postsecondary school who, during the period of time the student is enrolled and taking classes or exams. [OCGA 15-12-1.1\(a\)\(2\)](#)
- The person is the primary caregiver having active care and custody of a child six years of age or younger and executes an affidavit on a form provided by the court stating that he or she is the primary caregiver having active care and custody of a child six years of age or younger and stating that such person has not reasonably available alternative child care. [OCGA 15-12-1.1\(a\)\(3\)](#)
- The person is a primary teacher in a home study program as defined in [OCGA 20-2-690\(c\)](#) who is during the period time is teaching and executes an affidavit stating that he or she is the primary teacher in a home study program and has no reasonably available alternative for the child or children in the home study program. [OCGA 15-12-1.1\(a\)\(4\)](#)
- The person who is the primary unpaid caregiver for a person over the age of six; who executes an affidavit on a form provided by the court stating that such primary caregiver is responsible for the care of a person with such physical or cognitive limitations that he or she is unable to care for himself or herself and cannot be left unattended and that the primary caregiver has no reasonably available alternative to provide for the care. Any person seeking the exemption shall furnish to the court, in addition to the aforementioned affidavit, a statement of a physician, or other medical provider, supporting the affidavit's statements related to the medical condition of the person with physical or cognitive limitations. [OCGA 15-12-1.1\(a\)\(5\)](#)
- Any person who has served as a trial or grand juror at any session of the superior or state courts shall be ineligible for duty as a juror until the next succeeding county master jury list has been received by the clerk. [OCGA 15-12-4\(a\)](#)

- Any person who shows other good cause why he or she should be exempt from jury duty may have his or her jury service deferred or excused. [OCGA 15-12-1.1\(a\)\(1\)](#)
- Any person who is 70 years of age or older shall be entitled to request that the clerk excuse such person from jury service. Upon the request the clerk shall inactive such person. The request shall be made to the clerk in writing and shall be accompanied by an affidavit giving the person's name, age, and other such information as the board may require. The clerk shall make available affidavit forms for this purpose. [OCGA 15-12-1.1\(b\)](#)
- Any service member on ordered military duty and the spouse of any such service member shall be excused or deferred from jury duty upon presentation of either a copy of the official military orders or a written signed by the service member's commanding officer. [OCGA 15-12-1.1\(c\)](#)
- Any person summoned to serve as a juror shall be excused from such service during his or her attendance as a legislator in the General Assembly. [OCGA 15-12-2](#)
- No person shall be required to serve as a juror for more than four weeks in any year unless actually engaged in the trial of a case when the four weeks expire, in which case he or she shall be discharged as soon as the case is decided. [OCGA 15-12-3](#)
- No person shall be qualified to serve as a juror unless a citizen of the United States. [OCGA 15-12-4\(b\)](#)
- No person shall be eligible to serve as a juror who has been convicted of a felony in a state or federal court who has not had his or her civil rights restored. [OCGA 15-12-40](#)
- No person who has been judicially determined to be mentally incompetent shall be eligible to serve as a juror. [OCGA 15-12-40](#)
- **Special Qualifications of Grand Jurors:**
 - a) Must be 18 years of age or older who has resided in the county for at least six months, and
 - b) No person who holds any elective office in state or local government or who has held any such office within two years preceding the time of service. [OCGA 15-12-60](#)