

LOU ELLEN ADAMS  
FORREST COUNTY CIRCUIT CLERK  
OF  
MISSISSIPPI

Ladies and Gentlemen:

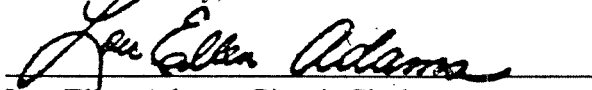
You have been summoned to appear before the Circuit Court as jurors during the week beginning with the date indicated on your summons. Jury service is not only a privilege but a responsibility of free men and women, as citizens in this republic of United States. You should complete the enclosed questionnaire in your own hand writing using black ink only and have it with you when you appear on the date indicated for jury duty. Mississippi law permits certain claimed exemptions or excuses from jury service. Should you claim an exemption or excuse under Section 13-5-23, you should proceed as follows:

1. If you claim an exemption because of illness to yourself or illness to another who would require your attendance, please return a doctor's certificate so stating to the Clerk immediately. It will not be necessary that you appear. When the excuse is claimed because your attendance is required due to illness of another, every effort should be made to have someone else attend the person so that you can serve on jury duty
2. If your attendance would cause serious financial loss to yourself or your business, please complete the affidavit explaining this and return it to the Clerk immediately **with a telephone number** where you can be reached. You should **not** call the Clerk and unless the Clerk notifies you that you are excused, it will be necessary that you appear at the time indicated on the summons or as per recorded instructions. **Go to jury duty ([www.12thcircuitcourts.com](http://www.12thcircuitcourts.com)) complete the form online. You will be notified by e-mail if you are excused. Can call or check website before reporting for jury duty.**
3. If you are over 65 years of age or have served on the regular panel as a juror in Circuit Court in the actual trial of one or more cases within 2 years and do not wish to serve, so state on the affidavit and return to the Clerk **immediately**. It will **not** be necessary that you appear. You may serve if you desire. If there is a deficiency of jurors, the Clerk may notify you to appear.
4. If you claim any other excuse because of emergency or hardship to yourself, please state you reasons on the affidavit and return it to the Clerk **with your telephone number** immediately. You should not call the Clerk and unless you are notified by the Clerk that you are excused, it will be necessary that you appear as indicated.

Unless you are notified by the clerk that you are excused, you must report for jury service. Failure to attend could result in a fine not exceeding \$100.00 being assessed by the Court under Section 13-5-34 of the Mississippi Code of 1972.

Thank you for your attention and cooperation, I am

Yours very truly,

  
Lou Ellen Adams, Circuit Clerk

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This affidavit should be returned to the Clerk at the following address:

Circuit Clerk, Jury Department  
P. O. Box 992  
Hattiesburg, Mississippi 39403-0992

It is not necessary to complete this affidavit if you appear in Court as Summoned.

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI  
COUNTY OF FORREST

I, \_\_\_\_\_, first being duly sworn state  
that I have been summoned for jury duty before the Circuit Court of Forrest County, Mississippi on

\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and that I do not wish to serve for the following reasons:

Please give phone number where you can be reached:

Home: \_\_\_\_\_

Work: \_\_\_\_\_

By signing this statement, I hereby swear (or affirm) to the Circuit Court that the matters and facts  
set forth above are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Witness my signature on this the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Juror