

POSTPONEMENTS/EXEMPTIONS

Please be advised that Illinois law recognizes no exemptions whatsoever on the basis of occupation, but if there is a grave illness in your family or other serious problems which would constitute an undue hardship or extreme inconvenience that would make it impossible for you to complete the terms of this summons on the date specified and would require an alternate date, please note the online questionnaire has a section which allows you to request an excusal or deferment from jury service. Our office will review all requests and follow up with a confirmation notification.

If an illness or emergency situation would prevent your attendance on your service date, please call the Circuit Clerk Office at (309)-741-2447 which time you will be given a deferral date or excusal according to the situation at that time.

If employed, please inform your employer of this summons. No employer shall, discharge, threaten to discharge, intimidate, or coerce any employee by reason of the employee's jury service. 705 ILCS 305/4.1

JURY TERM

The length of your service will be determined by the court. Before you leave on the first day of jury service, you will be instructed when your services will be required again, or if your services are no longer required.

LUNCH BREAK

Your lunch break is determined by the Judge. Please be prompt. You may dine at nearby restaurants or bring your own lunch.

ATTIRE

Jurors should dress appropriately for the Courtroom. It is sometimes difficult to regulate the temperature to accommodate everyone, so you may want to bring a sweater in the event it is too cool. Shorts, tank-tops, and similar clothing are not appropriate Courtroom attire. *Pocket knives are strictly prohibited.*

JURY FEES

You will be paid \$10.00 per day plus mileage. If you have not received your check within a reasonable time frame, please contact the Tazewell County Circuit Clerk's Office at (309)-477-2213.

ELECTRONIC DEVICES

Electronic devices are allowed in the Jury Commission Office, however once inside the Courthouse, please turn off all electronic devices. The buildings are equipped with free Wi-Fi.

PARKING INSTRUCTIONS

A jury parking lot is located on the block of S 4th St. and Elizabeth and St. Mary St. In the event this lot becomes full, street parking near the Courthouse is available as well as an additional lot on the corner Court Street and Front Street.

FAILURE TO APPEAR FOR JURY SERVICE IS A CRIMINAL OFFENSE

Failure to appear for jury service as directed in this summons may subject you to a finding of contempt of court and may result in an issuance of an order of attachment for your arrest by the Tazewell County Sheriff.