

JUROR QUESTIONNAIRE

To Prospective Juror:

You are being considered for the jury in a criminal case entitled *United States of America v. [DEFENDANT]*.

[NAME OF THE DEFENDANT], the defendant, is charged with [SHORT DESCRIPTION OF THE CASE]. The defendant denies the charges.

Please complete the following questionnaire to assist the attorneys and me in selecting a jury to serve in this case. Using this questionnaire helps us ask fewer questions in court.

Please answer the questions honestly, completely, and with great care. There are no right or wrong answers. The responses will be reviewed only for the purposes of selecting a jury.

While some of the questions may seem very personal, I have reviewed them carefully and determined that they are relevant to the issues in this case. The questions are not meant to invade your privacy but to help select a fair jury. If there is sensitive personal information that you prefer not to discuss in front of other jurors, please write "PRIVATE" next to your answer to that question, but please still answer the question. If the attorneys need to follow up with you about a private response, the attorneys and I will speak with you about that response outside of the presence of the other jurors.

Please write clearly, and do not leave any questions blank. If a question does not apply to you in any way, write "N/A" (for "not applicable"), rather than leaving the response blank. If you do not understand the question or do not know the answer, please write that in the space provided for the answer.

If you need more space for your response or want to make further comments about any question, please use the extra sheets at the end of the questionnaire. Do not write on the back of any page. If you use the explanation sheets, please be sure to indicate which numbered question you are answering.

You are ordered not to discuss this case or questionnaire with anyone, including your family and fellow jurors. Do not do any research, such as searching for information on the internet, related to the case or any of the people involved.

You are expected to sign the questionnaire, and your answers will be treated the same as if they were made in court under oath.

Thank you for your cooperation.



VINCE CHHABRIA
United States District Judge

1. Name: _____
Last Name First Name Middle Name

2. The trial in this case will begin [DATE] and will last approximately [NUMBER] days, at which point the jury will begin deliberating. Trial begins each day at 8:30 a.m. and finishes between 2:00 and 2:30 p.m. Trial will not take place on Thursdays. Do you have any serious scheduling or logistical issues that prevent you from serving as a juror in this case (such as prepaid travel plans, medical issues, financial concerns, or family responsibilities)? Keep in mind that if you are unable to serve in this trial, you could be placed on another trial later this year.

Yes ___ No ___

If Yes, please explain:

3. Do you have any trouble understanding or communicating in English?

Yes ___ No ___

If Yes, please explain:

4. Age: _____

5. Residence:

a. City/Town: _____

b. How long have you lived there? _____

c. Do you own or rent your home? Rent: _____ Own: _____ Other: _____

6. Where were you born? _____

7. What is your marital status: (please circle)

Single Married Separated Divorced Widowed Live with a Partner

8. What is your current employment status? (Check all that apply.)

_____ Working full-time _____ Homemaker
_____ Working part-time _____ Part-time student
_____ Retired _____ Full-time student
_____ Disabled _____ Other:
_____ Unemployed

9. Occupation:

a. What is your occupation? (Or what was it, if you are not currently employed?)

b. Who is your employer? (Or, if you're not currently employed, who was your employer?)

c. How long have you worked there? (Or, how long did you work there?)

d. Briefly describe your job responsibilities:

e. If you have worked at your current job for less than 2 years, what was your previous job?

10. Describe your educational background:

11. If other adults live in your home, please state (without providing their names):

<u>Relationship</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Highest Level of Education</u>	<u>Occupation</u>
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12. Do you have any children? Yes ____ No ____

If Yes, are any currently employed? Yes ____ No ____

If Yes, what are their occupations?

13. Have you, your current spouse/partner, or your child ever served in the military?

Yes ____ No ____

If Yes, please list for: You Spouse, Partner or Child

Branch of service: _____ _____

Combat: Yes ____ No ____ Yes ____ No ____

Military Police or Military Court: Yes ____ No ____ Yes ____ No ____

14. Prior Jury Service:

a. Have you served as a trial juror in the past? Yes ____ No ____ If Yes, please state:

	Civil or Criminal	Nature of case (robbery, personal injury, etc.)	When/Where?	Did the jury reach a verdict? (yes or no – don't say what the verdict was)
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b. Have you ever served as a jury foreperson? Yes ____ No ____

c. Have you ever served as a grand juror? Yes ____ No ____

d. Is there any reason that your prior jury service would affect your ability to serve as a juror in this case? Yes ____ No ____ If, Yes, please explain:

15. Have you or any close friends or family members ever worked for:

- a court? (such as a judge)
- a prosecutor's office? (such as a District Attorney's office or a United States Attorney's office)
- a criminal defense office? (either a private attorney's office or a public defender)
- a law enforcement agency? (such as the police, sheriff's office, jail, prison, immigration, IRS, parole, or probation)

Yes ____ No ____

If, Yes, please list:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Relationship</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Employer</u>

16. Have you or has anyone close to you ever been the victim of any kind of crime – such as domestic violence, burglary, robbery, assault, or identity theft – whether or not it was reported to law enforcement authorities?

Yes ____ No ____ If, Yes, please explain:

17. Have you ever appeared in any court proceeding in a case as a plaintiff, defendant, victim, or witness?

Yes ____ No ____ If Yes, please state when and explain why you appeared in court:

18. Have you, any member of your family, or any close friends ever been arrested?

Yes ____ No ____ If Yes, please explain:

19. Have you, or a close friend or family member, ever had an especially positive or negative experience with a law enforcement officer or agency, federal agency, or the federal government?

Yes ____ No ____ If Yes, please explain:

20. The defendant is accused of **[DESCRIPTION OF THE CASE]**. Is there anything about the nature of these accusations that could affect your ability to serve as a juror in this case?

Yes ____ No ____ If Yes, please explain:

21. Do you have any especially strong opinions or beliefs about race, color, immigration status, national origin, ethnicity, sex, or sexual orientation that could affect your ability to serve as a juror?

Yes ____ No ____ If Yes, please explain:

22. Is there anything else about your experiences, opinions, or beliefs, whether religious, moral, ethical, or philosophical that could affect your ability to serve as a juror?

Yes ____ No ____ If Yes, please explain:

23. In a criminal case, the government has accused a person of committing a crime, but that doesn't mean the person is guilty of the crime. The law requires you to presume that the defendant is innocent, and you may not convict the defendant unless the government has proved that the defendant is guilty of the crime beyond a reasonable doubt. The judge will provide you with instructions about the "reasonable doubt" standard later, but if the government doesn't meet its burden under that standard, the jury may not convict the defendant, even if the defendant presents no evidence or witnesses. Are you able to presume the defendant is innocent and hold the government to its burden of proving its case beyond a reasonable doubt?

Yes ____ No ____ If No, please explain:

24. A defendant in a criminal trial has a constitutional right not to testify, and you can't presume the defendant is guilty or reach any other conclusions based on the fact that the defendant did not testify. Would you be able to accept and apply this rule?

Yes ____ No ____ If No, please explain:

Persons Involved in this Case

Vince Chhabria

Kristen Melen