

Rule 811. Term of Jury Service

The time that persons are called upon to perform jury service and be available for jury service is the shortest period consistent with the needs of justice.

(a) In counties with a population of 100,000 or more, a term of service must not exceed two weeks or the completion of one trial, whichever is longer.

(b) In counties with a population of less than 100,000 but more than 50,000, a term of service must not exceed two months. However, no person is required to continue to serve after the person has reported to the courthouse for ten days or after the completion of the trial on which the juror is sitting, whichever is longer.

(c) In counties with a population of less than 50,001 a term of service must not exceed four months. However, no person is required to continue to serve after the person has reported to the courthouse for ten days or after the completion of the trial on which the juror is sitting, whichever is longer.

(d) Chief judges and judicial district administrators shall review the frequency of juror use in each county in determining the shortest period of jury service that will enable the greatest number of citizens to have the opportunity to report to the courthouse and participate in the jury system. All courts shall adopt the shortest period of jury service that is practical.