



SUPPLEMENTAL JUROR EXCUSAL OR POSTPONEMENT REQUEST

Jury trials are a crucial part of our justice system and we want you to know that we're taking safe steps to protect jurors performing their civic duty. At this time, the Chief Judge of the 12th Judicial Circuit has authorized additional juror excusals and postponements to enhance juror safety, mitigate the spread of COVID-19, and to address hardships related to the ongoing pandemic.

TO REQUEST AN EXCUSAL ONLINE go to www.desotoclerk.com/court/jury/. For questions, please e-mail CustomerService@DesotoClerk.com or call (863)993-4876.

EXCUSAL REQUEST

Check all that apply. Under penalty of perjury, I state that:*

I meet one or more of the following Screening Exclusions:

1. I am awaiting a COVID-19 test result based on symptoms or suspected exposure.
2. Within the past 14 days, I have had close contact with someone who has a current COVID-19 diagnosis who is awaiting a COVID-19 test result based on symptoms or suspected exposure.
3. I am under instruction to self-isolate or quarantine due to COVID-19.
4. I have at least one of the following COVID-19 symptoms (not due to a known medical reason other than COVID-19):

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cough	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fever or chills
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fatigue	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> muscle or body aches	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Headache
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> New loss of taste or smell	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Congestion or runny nose	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Nausea or vomiting

I request to be excused because:

- I am a person at higher risk for severe illness due to COVID-19 as identified by the CDC at: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/need-extra-precautions/index.html>
- I must care for a child or relative whose regular care provider is closed or unavailable for reasons related to COVID-19.
- I am receiving leave pursuant to Families First Coronavirus Response Act.

POSTPONEMENT REQUEST

Under penalty of perjury, I state that:*

- I have recently returned to work after being unemployed due to COVID-19 and request a 6-month postponement.
- I have suffered a financial or personal loss due to COVID-19 that makes it a hardship to perform jury service, and request a 6-month postponement.

**Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have read the foregoing Supplemental Excusal or Postponement Request and that the facts stated or identified therein by the undersigned are true and correct. I know and understand that a person who makes a false declaration herein is guilty of perjury which is a felony of the third degree pursuant to Florida Law.*

JUROR PRINTED NAME: _____ JUROR NUMBER: _____

JUROR SIGNATURE: _____ DATE SIGNED: _____

Please mail completed form to:

DeSoto County Clerk of Court | Attn: Jury Department | 115 East Oak St. | Arcadia, FL 34266



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