

EDIT COMMITTEE

The Edit Committee reviews letters and reports submitted by other committees with a critical eye toward the goal of eliminating punctuation and grammatical errors prior to the document being presented to the entire Jury for its approval.

EDIT HAS ALSO BEEN CALLED THE “GRIPE” COMMITTEE AND HAS BEEN LABELED WITH VARIOUS ACRONYMS SUCH AS:

Geriatric Retired Individuals Performing Evaluations
Gentle Redaction of Idiomatic Perpetuation of Etymology
Gathering Revered and Impressive Purveyors of Enlightenment
Grammatical Revision of Information, Punctuation, and Evaluations
Growing Resistance to the Implementation of Parsimonious Evaluations

COMMITTEE:

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EDIT COMMITTEE SUMMARY

The Edit Committee met on Mondays to review all documents from each of the standing Grand Jury Committees as well as Ad Hoc Committees. All letters and reports must be reviewed by the Edit Committee and approved prior to presentation to the entire Jury on Wednesday for final approval.

The Edit Committee generally consists of the Foreman and one member from each committee. The Edit Committee concentrates on checking grammar and punctuation; however, in some instances changes may be suggested for clarification with the approval of the Committee that originated the letter or report.

The Edit Committee also made several changes and additions to the Grand Jury Training Manual with the approval of the entire Jury.

FINAL REPORT

Per Section 933(a) of the California Penal Code, “Each Grand Jury shall submit to the presiding judge of the Superior Court a final report of the findings and recommendations that pertain to County government matters during the fiscal or calendar year...”. The Final Report is organized by a committee that decides on the cover, format, content, and distribution. This report is mailed to each county in California, the departments of the county, cities in Kern County and other organizations as stated by the Grand Jury. This report is the archival record of the 2006-2007 Grand Jury.

DORIS DUQUETTE, CHAIR

FINAL REPORT SUMMARY

The Final Report was turned into the printing department on May 22, 2007. This encompassed all of the reports that had been written and approved by the Grand Jury, County Council, and the presiding Judge.

The reports that are “still in progress” will be placed on the web page when they are approved. There are several that are still in progress.

LIBRARY

The materials that come to the Grand Jury each day have to be categorized, distributed, and filed in their respective file for organizational purposes. At the end of the year, old materials have to be “weeded”, removed from the files and properly shredded. Final Reports from other counties need to be categorized, filed and entered. If new publications are printed that would aid the Grand Jury, the librarian would order a copy.

DONNA JACKSON, CHAIR

LIBRARY COMMITTEE SUMMARY

1. The committee has added all new materials to the system that has been set up previously.
2. The committee created a Grand Jury Memory Book that will be included in the library. The book includes jury news highlights and activities that occurred during the year. It includes photographs of all the activities.
3. The “Memory Book” is electronically given to each member of the present jury.
4. The chairman read and cut the pertinent articles from all of the newspapers the jury receives daily and weekly. The articles are distributed, by the chairman, to the respective committees.