

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings

8-206.

(a) The clerk or jury commissioner, or the Administrative Office of the Courts, as appropriate, shall mail to every person whose name is drawn from the master wheel under § 8-205 or from the source list under § 8-202(b)(1), a juror qualification form, with instructions to fill out, sign, certify, and return it by mail, within ten days.

(1) If the person is unable to fill out the form, he shall have another person do it for him, and that person shall indicate that he has done so, and the reason.

(2) If it appears that there is an omission, ambiguity, or error in a form, the clerk or jury commissioner shall return the form with instructions to the person to make the additions or corrections necessary and to return the form to the clerk or jury commissioner within ten days of receipt.

(b) Any person who fails to return a completed juror qualification form as instructed may be summoned by the clerk or jury commissioner to appear before the clerk or jury commissioner to fill out a juror qualification form.

(c) When a person appears for jury service, or is interviewed by the jury judge, clerk, or jury commissioner, the person may be required to fill out another juror qualification form in the presence of the jury commissioner or the clerk of the court, and at that time, if it appears warranted, the person may be questioned, but only about his responses to questions contained on the form and grounds for his excuse or disqualification. The clerk or jury commissioner shall note any additional information thus acquired on the juror qualification form and transmit it to the jury judge.

8-208.

(a) The jury commissioner, or the clerk, shall maintain a qualified jury wheel (or a device similar in purpose and function, including a properly programmed electronic data processing system or device) and place in this wheel the names of all persons drawn from the master jury wheel who are determined to be qualified as jurors under § 8-207 and not exempt under § 8-209 or excused under § 8-210.

(1) When necessary, the jury commissioner or the clerk shall publicly draw at random from the qualified jury wheel the number of names required for assignment to the petit jury