

GRAND JURY REPORT

MARCH - APRIL 2015

We, the Grand Jury of March and April 2015, would like to take this opportunity to express our feelings and concerns.

First, we would like to say thank you to the Commonwealth's Attorney, Lynn Pryor, and to all her assistants for the jobs they do each day and sometimes night. They were very informative and professional in their presentations to the Grand Jury. We would also like to thank all the law enforcement officials that work diligently to keep our city and county safe, oftentimes putting their lives in harm's way. They too were informative and professional in their presentations.

Grand Jury was a sobering experience into the legal system and how the process works for all Christian County citizens. We would encourage all, if the given the opportunity, to honor their duty as jurors and to serve on the Grand Jury if selected to do so.

We would like to express the concerns that we have in regards to challenges facing law enforcement. The State legislators should enact stricter laws that would help alleviate the ILLEGAL drug problems in our county and state. Also, there should be more forcible and stringent laws so the judicial system can enforce stronger penalties on repeat offenders. Too many times offenders are returned to society only to commit the same crime again and again.

We are also concerned that the pay for jurors is not sufficient, and this issue needs to be addressed by the State. Twelve dollars and fifty cents (\$12.50) is very low and puts a hardship on jurors that are not compensated by their employers for jury service or for the self-employed.

The Grand Jury of March and April 2015 has enjoyed our experiences and would like to thank Christian County for giving us the privilege to serve.

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Foreperson