

Grand Jury Report  
November and December 2015

On behalf of the November and December Grand Jury, we would like to thank the court for allowing us to serve on the November-December Grand Jury.

We would like to thank Christian County Clerk, Mike Kem, for presenting a report concerning the November 2015 election. There were no allegations of any fraud or misconduct that occurred. As far as the turnout, Mr. Kem stated it was a very low percentage that voted. The main issue was that there were not enough poll workers. We would like to encourage the citizens of Christian County to become more involved in the voting process.

We would like to thank all law enforcement from our city, county and state for their commitment to protecting others. They were a pleasure to work with during this time. Each witness was very professional, answered any questions we had, and gave us a full understanding of the events that took place that lead to these defendants being charged. May God protect them as they continue to serve the community.

We would also like thank the Commonwealth Attorney Lynn Pryor and her staff on the excellent job they do with the large case loads they have. They made us feel at home with great hospitality. They explained what each charge meant, the penalties that each carried, and truly helped us understand on how to vote on each case. We all have a much clearer understanding of the law, the justice system, and how it all works.

We, as the Grand Jury, found this to be a great experience. However, we all agree that the pay of \$12.50 a day does not compensate the actual loss that some of us experience while serving. We feel this amount should be raised. Those of us that are self employed are losing way more than \$12.50 a day by being here. Those who work part time with no benefits are losing hours by being here. Some are on fixed incomes and have to work a certain amount of hours each week just to make ends meet. We understand that this a community service, but even so, that service should not be a hardship to those willing to serve.

Respectfully Submitted,

November and December 2015 Grand Jury

  
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Foreperson