Cuyahoga County Common Pleas Court Local Rules

31.0 GRAND JURY

- (A) Members of any Grand Jury and a number of alternate members in excess of five as determined by the Court shall be selected as provided by statute or by such rules as may be promulgated by the Supreme Court. In the event of a vacancy on the grand jury and arising from disability, death, resignation or other cause, a successor or successors shall be chosen from other resident electors. At the beginning of each term of Court a Grand Jury shall be in session from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 n. and from 1:15 p.m. to 4:15 p.m. on such days and times as ordered by the administrative judge or the presiding judge in charge of said grand jury until accumulated business has been disposed.
- (B) At the beginning of each term of Court a Grand Jury shall be in session from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 n. and from 1:15 p.m. to 4:15 p.m. on such days and times as ordered by the administrative judge or the presiding judge in charge of said grand jury until accumulated business has been disposed.
- (C) (1) All proceedings of the Grand Jury including all testimony and evidence offered to the Grand Jury, comments of the Prosecuting Attorney, and instructions of the Court and Prosecuting Attorney, except as otherwise provided, shall be recorded verbatim, by the official Cuyahoga County Court Reporter, or an official assistant reporter.

(2) Except as otherwise provided by law and Section (3) of this rule, all Grand Jury proceedings shall remain secret, and the notes of the official Cuyahoga County Court Reporter shall remain in the sole possession and custody of the official Court Reporter unless ordered by a Court of competent jurisdiction.

(3) The Cuyahoga County Prosecutor may obtain transcripts of Grand Jury proceedings from the official Cuyahoga County Court Reporter at any time, without court order, for use as provided by law.

(4) The deliberations of the Grand Jury shall remain secret and shall not be recorded.

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