

Participant No. _____ Juror Questionnaire No. _____

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
MIDDLE DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

CRIMINAL ACTION

VERSUS

NO. 16-124-JWD-EWD

DANIEL DAVIS

JUROR QUESTIONNAIRE

TO THE PROSPECTIVE JUROR:

You are now a prospective juror in the case of *United States of America v. Daniel Davis*. The trial will begin on January 22, 2018 and will last approximately five days. The defendant in the case is a corrections officer charged with assaulting an inmate, conspiring with other officers to conceal the assault, and related offenses.

In order to speed up the process of jury selection, a juror questionnaire has been prepared for you to complete. The questionnaire should be completed by you and returned to the Clerk of the United States District Court for the Middle District of Louisiana in the enclosed envelope. The completed questionnaire must be returned to the courthouse by January 8, 2018. Do not place your name anywhere on this questionnaire. Please use only your participant number on the questionnaire. However, you must sign your name on the affirmation at the conclusion of the questionnaire because your answers must be given under penalty of perjury. The questionnaire and affirmation will be filed under seal and will not be available to the public.

The questionnaire is designed to obtain information about your background, experiences, and opinions related to your possible service as a juror in this case. Its use will avoid the necessity of asking each prospective juror every one of these questions in open court, thereby substantially shortening the jury selection process.

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All information contained in this questionnaire will be kept confidential. It will be reviewed only by the Court and the attorneys on each side. Your answers will not be released to the general public or the media.

Respond to each question as fully and completely as possible. The judge and lawyers know that every person has beliefs and ideas concerning many things. You should answer with your true feelings, whatever they may be. Do not assume that any of your answers will qualify you or disqualify you from serving on this jury. Your complete candor and honesty are necessary so that both the prosecution and defense will have a meaningful opportunity to select an appropriate jury. Your cooperation is of vital importance.

Because the questionnaire is part of the jury selection process, the questionnaires are to be answered under your oath or affirmation as a prospective juror to tell the truth. You are instructed not to discuss this case or the questionnaire with anyone, including your family, friends, co-workers and fellow jurors. You must complete the questionnaire yourself without consulting, talking to or seeking assistance from anyone. You are also instructed not to do any research in order to answer the questions. **Do not seek out, listen to, or read any material about this case in the media, on the internet, on social media, or elsewhere.**

If you require additional space for your responses or wish to make further comments regarding any of your answers, there is extra space at the end of the questionnaire (before the affirmation page). Please identify by number the question to which you are responding.

Please keep in mind that there are no “right” or “wrong” answers. Your answers will assist the Court and the parties in selecting an appropriate jury.

Please fill out the entire questionnaire. Do not leave any questions blank. If you are unable to answer a question or do not understand the question, please answer “do not understand” or “do

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not know” in the margin or in the space following the question. If for any reason you do not want to answer a particular question, please write the word “private” next to the question. The Court may take this matter up with you privately during jury selection.

PLEASE WRITE OR PRINT LEGIBLY. PLEASE USE ONLY DARK INK. IF YOUR ANSWERS ARE ILLEGIBLE, YOU WILL BE REQUIRED TO RE-COPY YOUR ANSWERS.

SUPPLEMENTARY JUROR QUESTIONNAIRE

1. Have you ever interacted with a law enforcement officer as a victim, witness, or suspect?

_____ Yes _____ No

If so, describe the nature of your interaction and how you feel you were treated by the officer:

2. Have you ever been arrested or served time in jail?

_____ Yes _____ No

If so, describe how you were treated by correctional officers:

3. Over the past several years, incidents of alleged police misconduct and brutality have given rise to groups such as Black Lives Matter and Blue Lives Matter and have sparked a national debate on law enforcement. Have you followed this debate on traditional media (TV, newspaper) or social media (Facebook, Twitter)? If so, where do you get your information, and what are your thoughts on the issues?

4. This case involves allegations that correctional officers assaulted an inmate detained at a prison. Some people feel that people who commit serious crimes have no right to complain about their treatment in jail. Other people feel that inmates should have the right to be free from unprovoked assaults. How do you feel about this issue?

5. This case involves allegations that correctional officers conspired to cover up their assault of an inmate by filing false reports and falsifying prison records. Do you think that such conduct should be prosecuted as a federal crime or handled as a local or administrative matter?

6. Some people feel that correctional officers perform such difficult and thankless jobs that it is wrong to second-guess them by punishing or prosecuting them for misconduct that occurs during the course of performing their jobs. How do you feel about this issue?

7. What role, if any, do you think the federal government should have in investigating and prosecuting state correctional officers accused of assaulting inmates?

8. Do you think our government is too hard on crime, too soft on crime, or just right?

9. Is there any matter not covered by this questionnaire that you think the attorneys or court might want to know about when considering you as a juror in this case?

_____ Yes _____ No

If yes, please explain:

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AFFIRMATION

I, _____, hereby declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing answers set forth in this juror questionnaire are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. I have not discussed my answers with others, received assistance in completing the questionnaire, or conducted any research in connection with completing the questionnaire. I have answered all of the above questions in this juror questionnaire myself.

Signature _____

Date of signing _____

Place of signing _____