



#### **AWARD CRITERIA**

- Increased awareness of the county's current or most recent civil grand jury.
- Reported on the responses to grand jury report(s).
- Educated community about the civil grand jury system in general.
- Covered the important bases of a grand jury report(s).
- In-depth reporting vs. superficial account.
- Extensive reporting (e.g., audience reach – lengthy account and/or multiple articles).
- Additional points for information on obtaining reports, submitting complaints to the grand jury, and/or applying for jury service.

#### **WHAT YOU WILL NEED** to submit a best media coverage nomination online:

Nominations may be based on the coverage of a specific grand jury report or on the overall coverage given to a grand jury over time.

- A. County.
- B. Name(s) of media outlet and/or reporter(s) nominated.
- C. Chapter, Association, or CGJA member (if no CGJA Chapter/Association) submitting the nomination.
- D. Contact name (if different from above).
- E. Contact mailing address.
- F. Contact telephone number.
- G. Contact e-mail address.
- H. Electronic copies (PDFs or images) of relevant media articles. Links are not sufficient as material is often not downloadable.
- I. Rationale: A brief explanation of why this nominee merits the award.

To submit the nomination, go to <https://cgja.org/excellence-in-reporting-awards/>.

If you have questions, please contact Barbara Sommer, Excellence in Reporting (EIR) Subcommittee Chair, at [basommer@ucdavis.edu](mailto:basommer@ucdavis.edu). She will acknowledge receipt of the online nomination submission within a few days.