

CGJA Best Grand Jury Report - Instructions



AWARD CRITERIA

- Significance of the issue, topic rationale.
- Clear description of the investigation.
- Findings follow from facts, recommendations based on the findings.
- Clarity of language, objectivity and fairness.
- Identified problems accompanied by suggested means for resolution.
- Impact on the citizenry.
- Difficulty of the investigation.
- Media coverage.
- Agency acknowledgement.
- Changes resulting from the report.

WHAT YOU NEED to submit a best report nomination

- A. County.
- B. Title and date of the nominated report.
- C. Chapter or CGJA member (if no CGJA Chapter) to submit the nomination.
- D. Contact name (if different from above), mailing address, phone number and email address.
- E. Electronic copies of supporting documentation for the following (links are not sufficient as material is often not downloadable):
 1. Nominated grand jury report.
 2. Official response(s) to the report by county agencies or individuals, as required by the investigation.
 3. Media coverage and any other related documentation.
- F. Rationale: A brief explanation of why this nominee merits the award.

TO SUBMIT THE NOMINATION

- A. Save this file with a new name (so you can reuse this original, if necessary).
- B. Fill it out page 2 and save it.
- C. Email it along with supporting materials to eir@cgja.org.
If the files are too large to email, collect them all in a single folder and upload them [here](#) (please follow instructions carefully).

QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS?

Contact Barbara Sommer, Excellence in Reporting (EIR) Subcommittee Chair, at eir@cgja.org. She will acknowledge receipt of the nomination submission soon after you have submitted it.

