



# CGJA Journal

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## CGJA Trainers Attend Workshop



Five new CGJA trainers and 31 veteran trainers attended a three-day New Trainer Orientation and Train-the-Trainer Workshop in Sacramento on May 1-3.

The topics covered included a review of the 2026 curriculum changes, hot topics and legal explanations of CGJA's best practices, how to keep an audience engaged, and an interesting discussion about the use of AI by grand juries. [Read more.](#)

## Karen Jahr Honored



Karen Jahr, who has been presenting the topics of **Local Government** and **Grand Jury Law** for CGJA training seminars since 2006, was recently honored by her fellow CGJA trainers at their annual Train-the-Trainer workshop in Sacramento.

Karen was recognized for her twenty years of service by Marsha Caranci, a 20-year honoree in 2024, and CGJA President, Gary Cooper (all shown in photo).

Karen was given a bouquet of paper flowers that will last for weeks to come and a gift certificate to a fine restaurant in her hometown of Redding.

# \$10,000 Donation Received

*The following is excerpted from the editor's recent conversation with donor, Jaclyn Tilley Hill.*

It became clear that over her lifetime Jaclyn Tilley Hill has been motivated by uncompromising service. She wants to have an impact. She said she never joined an organization where she didn't see the opportunity to lead it.

Jaclyn believes very strongly in public participation. She spent thirty-five years working on elections in Whittier and Long Beach. Getting the public involved is one of the reasons for her support of CGJA.



It was also clear that serving as "Madam Foreman" of the Los Angeles Grand Jury in 1993 was a peak experience. She was very proud that all the jurors stayed on for the entire term (Would that we could say that today-ed.).

Jaclyn continues her busy life in Los Angeles County. Asked about her current activities, she is a lifelong investor and has fourteen grandchildren – an outcome she added, of having seven children. She is a CGJA Life Member. We are extremely grateful for her generosity.

**Read** the article written about her by Jerry Lewi in the February 2022 issue of the *Journal*.

## Ask the Trainers by the Training Committee Co-chairs



Marsha Caranci

*In this regular column, the CGJA training team shares with Journal readers our responses to questions we receive from grand jurors. Please remember: Do not take any responses as legal advice and contact your local legal advisors to answer any question that might divulge confidential information.*

*You may submit your questions to [cgjatraining@cgja.org](mailto:cgjatraining@cgja.org). If your question appears in a future edition of the Journal, it might be edited and will not be attributed to you.*

### Questions

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**Read the answers**



Richard Rogers



## Rolando Nominations Open

Nominate a fellow CGJA member for CGJA's **Angelo Rolando Service Award**. Each year we honor a member for outstanding service. The award is presented at the Annual Conference. Nominations will be accepted for consideration by the Angelo Rolando Service Award Committee until **August 28, 2026**. [See details](#).

### Annual Conference Alert!

Registration for the CGJA's 43<sup>rd</sup> Annual Conference at the **Embassy Suites in Sacramento** is right around the corner! We anticipate posting the program information on the Annual Conference webpage soon, and to begin accepting registrations by mid-June. We will alert you when registration goes live.

Plan now to join us in Sacramento **Nov. 1-2, 2026**. We look forward to seeing you there!



### CGJA Volunteer Service Anniversary Honor Roll

It's the Year of the Volunteer! Our dedicated volunteers continue to be the lifeblood of CGJA, and each issue of the *Journal* will be celebrating outstanding individuals who have recently reached Volunteer Service Anniversary Milestones, as well as the newest additions to our volunteer ranks. Thank you, volunteers, and congratulations!

#### June 2026 Service Anniversaries

##### 20-Year Volunteer

Karen Jahr (*Shasta*)

#### July 2026 Service Anniversaries

##### 10-Year Volunteer

Robert Finlayson (*Contra Costa*)

#### New Volunteers

(since January 2026)

Thomas Burnham (*Orange*)

Barbara Douglass-Scherer (*San Benito*)

Jason Golz (*San Francisco*)

Amanda Grey (*Orange*)

Christine Jordan (*Sacramento*)

Carolyn Neumann (*Stanislaus*)

Denise Snider (*San Joaquin*)

Robert Van Der Velde (*Napa*)

Loren Webb (*Orange*)

Honorees will be recognized during a special Volunteer Recognition ceremony on November 1 at the 2026 CGJA Annual Conference in Sacramento. We look forward to seeing you there!

CGJA has critical needs for expertise across the organization. [Learn more](#) about matching your talents and interests with the many available volunteer opportunities within CGJA.

# behind the scenes

## Bruce Frank – “Why I Volunteer” by John Bradley

Bruce Frank is a man in near-constant motion; from geographically traversing the country, to his career trajectory, to his love for playing sports, to his passion for volunteering and especially his non-stop work on behalf of CGJA over the past three years. “I like to keep pretty busy!” he laughs.

Most days, Bruce confesses, that whirlwind energy kicks in early. “I’m an early bird,” he explains, who can be found greeting the dawn while walking his two young and energetic German Shepherd mix rescue dogs around the San Joaquin County town of Tracy, where Bruce lives today with his wife (also named Tracy). [Read more.](#)



### San Joaquin County Chapter “Small but Mighty”

*The Chapter Relations Subcommittee* features in-depth articles on individual chapters to recognize struggles and celebrate success.

We are small but mighty! The San Joaquin County Chapter of the Civil Grand Jurors Association is small in size, but we are mighty in our devotion to our chapter, the sitting grand jury, our county, our cities and our citizens.



Regular monthly meeting featuring speaker Kimberly Johnson, County Counsel, San Joaquin County

We believe that spreading the word about the civil grand jury is of the utmost importance and a duty we are charged with as CGJA members and fellow citizens. [Read more about us.](#)



## Now That I Have Your Attention ....

The deadline for submitting nominations for the **Excellence in Reporting** awards is **June 30**. See nomination details: [Best Report](#) and [Best Media Coverage](#).

## CHAPTER CONNECTIONS

### *from Santa Cruz*



Radio Station KSQD-FM "K-Squid"/KOST-FM, which reaches most of Santa Cruz and Monterey counties, devoted its March 30 program to Civil Grand Jury service.

The hour-long discussion covered civil grand jury service, how jurors are selected, the training provided by CGJA, the ways jurors choose what to investigate and report upon, and the how the civil grand jury's reports improve local government operations.

The program coincided with the application process for people to serve on the grand jury.

Interviewer, DJ Joe Truskot, served two terms on the Monterey Civil Grand Jury.

***Read more*** and ***listen***.

From the top: Monterey Superior Court Judge Stephanie Hulsey and former jurors Arthur Rolston, Tom Motley (Monterey), Kim Horowitz (Santa Cruz) and Gary Hoffmann. Gary is a CGJA trainer.

## *from Yolo* Off to a Running Start

We have a **new chapter!** Founding members are Karen Buckho, Mike Familia, Jeff Fortis, Ahna Heller, Bob Phibbs, Sherida Phibbs, and Barbara Sommer.

The chapter is very much looking forward to hosting the Annual Conference in Sacramento on November 1-2, 2026.

Shown on the right. **Mike Familia**, President of the Yolo Chapter, recruited grand jurors at the UC Davis Retiree Center Annual Spring Retiree Resource Fair, April 2026.



## *new* MEMBERS

Laura Lee-Chin  
Trish Goodman (Life  
Member)  
Gail Dennis  
Leticia Covarrubias  
Jason Golz  
Sheila Holloway  
Dave Von Glahn

Humboldt  
Marin  
Orange  
San Benito  
San Francisco  
San Joaquin  
San Mateo

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### *Keep us Posted*

Format articles in Word and send as email attachments to Barbara Sommer, [editor@cgja.org](mailto:editor@cgja.org).  
For more details see [How to submit an article](#).

**DEADLINE for submitting media for publication in the next issue.**

**July 27, 2026**

Please [update](#) your contact information (if needed).

### *Join/Renew your membership*

**Serve on a committee - see the [committee descriptions](#).**

**The mission of the CGJA is to promote, preserve, and support the grand jury system through training, education, and outreach.**

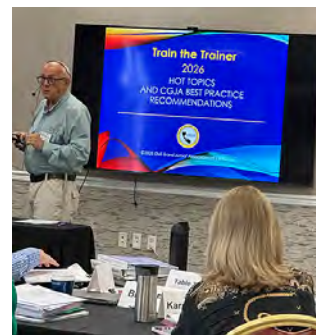
## CGJA Trainers Attend Workshop

The two long days ended with a working dinner and team building activities.



Our new trainers demonstrated why they were selected to join our training team by presenting part of a seminar topic to the group. They all did great!

The CGJA training team is now 38 members strong as we set out to cover 54 training venues this upcoming training season, which starts on June 9 in Orange County.



Our trainers hail from 23 different counties, so we are well-prepared to cover the state, presenting CGJA's best practice guidance for how to be an effective grand juror to the new juror and alternates throughout the state.



We are looking forward to representing CGJA and to another fun and successful year training California's civil grand juries.

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from the CGJA Journal, February 2022

## **Jaclyn Tilley Hill: Longest Serving Lifetime Member**

by Jerry Lewi

Jaclyn Tilley Hill began her career with Los Angeles County as the second woman to be appointed Madam Foreman of the Criminal/Civil Grand Jury in 1993. She is the first person to chair the only two countywide commissions, the Economy and Efficiency Commission (E&E) and Quality and Productivity Commission (QPC). While serving on the QPC, she chaired the Countrywide Communications Team and Productivity Investment Board. For over 10 years, she served on the Countrywide Criminal Justice Coordinating Committee.

Now in its 18<sup>th</sup> year, she launched the QPC Annual Leadership Conference and championed the QPC Productivity Awards, an annual recognition event for the department programs and their employees. Both programs continue as highlights in the County. As chair of the PLAIN Language Initiative, Ms. Hill presented the County's PLAIN Language Initiative at the International Clarity PLAIN Language Conference in Lisbon, Portugal. Leveraging her investment knowledge and respect for fiduciary compliance, she applies focused discipline to maximize resources in support of programs that enhance quality of life for Los Angeles County residents.

In recognition of her status as the longest serving chair of the QPC, Ms. Hill is the first person to be awarded the title, Chair Emeritus. Ms. Hill cultivated her skills through support of dozens of charitable and civic organizations.

Family is central to Ms. Hill. She is married to her childhood sweetheart Robert R. "Randy" Hill. They are blessed with seven children and 16 grandchildren.

"I want to thank the California Grand Juror's Association for the work they do in raising awareness of the valuable role grand juries play in our State's judicial system. The California State Constitution gives broad authority to a grand jury in pursuit of justice and providing another platform for checks and balances within our local government. I am proud to be a lifetime member of CGJA."

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## Ask the Trainers

**Q. One of our draft reports is more than 30 pages long. Will it ever be read? Is there a way to make it more reader friendly?**

**A.** This is a great question. Excessive length will weaken a report's impact – and it may even lose your audience. Well-organized succinct reports are more likely to be covered by the media and read by the public.

One effective way to control report length is to use CGJA's Report Logic Matrix (see Tab 4, page 28 in your Training and Reference manual and Tab 3, pages 11-12 in your Report Writing Workshop manual). This tool helps limit report content to the most significant verified facts that lead to clear findings that in turn lead to your recommendations. There is no need to include everything in your report that you learned during your investigation. Include information only if it is either related to the report's findings or recommendations or provides necessary context for the issues.

Word length and sentence length are also important. Shorter is better. Change passive sentences to active sentences. Readability statistics are available in most word processing programs. And when editing your reports, read them out loud! This is one of the best ways to ensure your reports are readable.

Another way to avoid overly long reports is to limit endnotes, footnotes, bibliographies, and appendices to only those resources that are needed by the reader to better understand the report. And remember your audience: grand jury reports are not technical or professional journal articles. These reports are for local government officials and members of the public to learn what an entity could be doing better.

**Q. If we issue all our reports in a consolidated report at the end of the term instead of releasing them individually, is it okay to give the whole consolidated report to the Board of Supervisors two days before it is published, or do we have to deliver each individual report separately?**

**A.** Individual reports should be delivered separately to each of their required respondents. Under the Penal Code, a grand jury must provide the investigated entity with a copy of the grand jury report relating to that entity two working days prior to its public release. Meeting this requirement with consolidated reports is problematic because they ordinarily include several individual reports that list different respondents. Confidentiality would be violated if a board or individual that is not a respondent to one of the individual reports within a consolidated report sees that report before it is publicly released. However, if all individual reports within a consolidated report are addressed exclusively to a single required respondent like a county board of supervisors, then giving that respondent the consolidated report two working days before its release would meet the Penal Code requirement.

**Q. After grand jury reports are released and are public, the jury may receive requests from the media for information or interviews. If the Foreperson is unable or unwilling to respond to these requests, can a delegate from the jury be selected to do so?**

**A.** Penal Code section 933(a) states that "the foreperson and his or her designees shall...be available to clarify the recommendations of the report." This means that the duty to clarify the jury's recommendations can be delegated by the foreperson to another juror. However, CGJA believes it would be a breach of confidentiality for either the foreperson or a designee to discuss anything with the media that was not included in the report itself. For example, the foreperson or designee cannot reveal how the jury voted to approve the report or any internal discussions or decisions. The foreperson or designee may want to consult with the jury's legal advisor before speaking with the media for guidance about what information may be shared.

CGJA's Report Writing Workshop Manual, Tab 5, pages 6-8 discuss dealing with the media when reports are released. Any juror who will have contact with the media should refer to that section of the manual beforehand. Of course, the foreperson or designee can certainly share general information with the media about what civil grand juries do, what the grand jury's watchdog function involves, and what a positive experience it is to serve on the civil grand jury. Spreading the word about the civil grand jury can enhance juror recruitment and public awareness of the jury's work.

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## Angelo Rolando Service Award

We look to the members of CGJA to nominate members they consider worthy of receiving this prestigious award. Nominations will be accepted for consideration by the Angelo Rolando Service Award Committee until **August 28, 2026**. Nominations may be submitted online, by email or via postal mail.

In arriving at a decision to nominate someone you believe deserving, please consider that this award is for past service and not for anticipated service in future years. Some factors you may wish to consider:

1. Substantive participation at both the state and county level in support of CGJA goals and objectives.
2. Has demonstrated exceptional leadership skills and is unusually effective in accomplishing projects.
3. A nominee must be a current member of CGJA and there will be no multiple awards.
4. The currently serving CGJA president is not eligible to receive this award in that year.
5. Past recipients are not eligible for re-nomination.

You will need to have the following information available:

- Name of Nominee
- Nominee's City
- Nominee's County
- Nominated by
- Nominator's Phone
- Nominator's email
- Supporting Information

Make the nomination [online](#).

Or send me (Joann Landi) the above information by [email](#) or mail (178 South Palomar Drive, Palomar Park 94062). If you have any questions regarding the nomination process, please contact me at [joannelandi@aol.com](mailto:joannelandi@aol.com) or 650-365-4184.

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## Bruce Frank - "Why I Volunteer"

A California native, Bruce was born in San Diego, and grew up in the San Fernando Valley. From an early age, sports, especially baseball, were in his blood. He played baseball at Los Angeles Valley College and later attended California State University Northridge, where he earned his bachelor's degree in Business Administration/Marketing.

A diverse and cross-continental sales and marketing career soon took flight – from burglar alarm and protection systems to medical supplies (California), to a twenty-year management position overseeing east coast distribution of plastic fasteners for Avery-Dennison (Connecticut), to selling specialized molded tires for forklifts and heavy equipment (Maine). A director and then vice-president of sales position with a portable sanitation company (Massachusetts) in the early 2000's eventually brought him full circle with a transfer back to California in 2012.

Bruce may be retired these days but, true to form, he remains anything but idle. He recently slowed down long enough to share some of his insights into volunteering and the role it has played in his life.

Naturally enough, some of that volunteering was sports-related. "In my teenage years," Bruce begins, "while I was playing baseball in school, I volunteered coaching youth baseball and basketball. That continued throughout high school and college."

Inspired by his cousin's struggle with cerebral palsy, Bruce began spending time volunteering as a 'buddy' to other young people at the cerebral palsy care home. While living on the east coast, he served as a 'Big Brother' for members of both the Boys' and Girls' Clubs of America, especially in supporting their sports activities – "basketball and baseball and that kind of stuff," he adds.

Bruce squeezes in time to volunteer with another cause which is also near and dear to his family; working for local rescue dog efforts, including placing the animals in homes within his community. "When my family has dogs, they always are rescue dogs."

For the past five years, Bruce has allocated time to add yet another volunteer activity to his list; making regular blood platelet donations to the Red Cross. Every two weeks (the maximum donation allowed), Bruce rolls up his sleeve and dedicates his 'living donation' to former colleagues who have passed away. "I'm fortunate in that I have a naturally high platelet count, so it doesn't take long," he says modestly. "It's worth it for me to sit down for an hour or two, knowing that I'm possibly helping to save a few lives."

"Just after I retired, in 2021," he recalls, "I received a civil jury summons from San Joaquin County. I didn't know anything about the grand jury, but I interviewed and was ultimately selected as 'tenth alternate.' Despite that, Bruce soon found himself on the 2021-22 jury. "Fortunately, I had attended the CGJA training (as an alternate)." That enabled him to dive right into investigations and reports, even chairing one of the committees

The following year he returned. As his second consecutive term wound down, Bruce was recommended for yet a third term and the opportunity to serve as foreperson. "At that time, however, I was recruited by CGJA to join their training team, and I decided that that was the direction I wanted to go."

He 'got his feet wet' summer 2023, training jurors from San Joaquin, Kern and Fresno counties. A year later, he added CGJA's 'Writing Workshop' to his teaching resume. He has trained jurors in seventeen counties.

Of his many volunteer roles within CGJA, Bruce says that training is his favorite. "Traveling from county-to-county with my fellow trainers, staying at the hotel and having dinners together, I've established friendships and relationships. I really enjoy that aspect of it. Plus, I've also gotten to meet a whole bunch of new jurors, fresh faces, and helped them see what they can do to help their community."

In addition to his work as a trainer, Bruce has served as a training team leader, member of the Nominations-Elections Committee and the Training Committee, secretary for the Public Relations Committee, and in 2025 a candidate from his central region for CGJA's Board of Directors. Asked how he felt about being 'retired' these days, it's no surprise when Bruce quips, "Well, I sometimes feel I 'work' for CGJA!"

When asked for his thoughts about encouraging other CGJA members to similarly volunteer, Bruce exclaims, "Absolutely! It's learning something new, it's interesting, it's stimulating; it's an organization that I believe in and that I think is worthwhile. CGJA and the whole grand jury process in California needs the support of individuals like us. After your jury term ends, become involved with CGJA by volunteering, even if you just attend the Annual Conferences to keep up to date. Volunteering here is a rewarding experience!"

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San Joaquin County Chapter\*  
"Small but Mighty"

San Joaquin County is also small in size. Out of 58 counties in California, we are ranked as the 33<sup>rd</sup> largest county in the state. The county has a population of 823,815 people, not including dogs, cats and other animal varieties that find comfort in our backyards. We have nine major racial and ethnic communities in the county and over 41 percent of our population speaks a language other than English. The San Joaquin County CGJA chapter believes that diversity is the key to a great civil grand jury and our county provides that.

The first official chapter meeting was held on August 20, 2013, following an informal meeting in July 2013 in which the possibility of forming a CGJA chapter was discussed. At that meeting there were 17 former grand jury members in attendance as well as the assigned grand jury secretary, Trisa Martinez. We decided to meet monthly with annual dues of \$30. Our mission is "A voice for Accountability in Government in Support of the Civil Grand Jury through Advocacy, Education and Communication."

In accordance with the mission and purpose, we provide information to our communities on the civil grand jury system and assist in recruitment. We provide support and training to the current grand jury sharing personal jury experiences and best practices information.

The San Joaquin County Grand Jury received the 2025 CGJA Best Grand Jury Report award at the annual conference. Written by the 2021-22 grand jury, the report has had a significant positive impact in local government over subsequent years with a great deal of media attention and follow through.



2025 CGJA Annual Conference: From the left: Chrystena Rockett (foreperson for the 2025-2026 jury), Denise Snider, Nancy Brison-Mall, Fran Block, Bruce Frank, Barbara Sommer, and Gary Cooper.

How do we get the message out to the public? We focus on presentations to local and county groups. We present to such groups as the Rotary Clubs of cities within the county, the Kiwanis Club of Tracy, County Government Retirees Association, and the San Joaquin County Grandfather's Club. These presentations are personalized to fit the group and vibrant Q&As follow. Handouts are always available.



From the left: Frank Whitney (Rotary), Cynthia Faure (CGJA), President Wager (Rotary), Fran Block (CGJA), Denise Snider (Chapter President), Gary Cooper (CGJA President).



Fran, Gary and Denise at Tracy Connects 2024 and 2025.

The San Joaquin County Grand Jury has been awarded a proclamation every year since 2009 by the county board of supervisors declaring February as Civil Grand Jury month. Our chapter has been instrumental in making sure that the sitting grand jurors attend these award ceremonies.



SJC Board of Supervisors Recognition of the Grand Jury. From the left: Gary Cooper (CGJA), Denise Snider (CGJA), Tom Patti (BOS), Mary Kennedy-Bracken (current Juror), John Kimbrough (Jury Foreperson), Miguel Villapudua (BOS), Fran Block (CGJA), Robert Rickman (BOS), Paul Canepa (BOS), Stephen Ding (BOS).

Our bright, shining star is our guest speaker program. This program has evolved into an extremely vital part of our chapter. We invite speakers of interest, selected respective government responsibilities, to discuss successes and challenges. Ten speakers are invited each year, and each one is a true treasure and their presentations have been a valuable learning experience for our chapter members.

Examples of our guest speakers include the mayor of Stockton, county sheriff, county registrar of voters, school superintendents (SUSD & TUSD), chairman of the county board of supervisors, county fire district chiefs, city council members, the San Joaquin County Bar Association, and many more.



The results of this program have been significant, benefiting both the chapter members and the speakers. The San Joaquin County CGJA has been greatly enhanced by this program and the speakers have benefited by learning about the civil grand jury as well as the opportunity to discuss the effectiveness of their public service.

Please visit our [website](#). It is fantastic and is updated on a regular basis to reflect our current and exciting activities.

\*Contributing writers: Gary Spough, Ken Buck, Fran Block, Denise Snider, Gary Cooper, Bruce Frank, Nancy Brison-Moll and Cynthia Faure.

Some quotes from the program:

**Judge Stephanie Hulseley**

Rather than just as a 'watchdog' over government entities, I like to think of the civil grand jury as a 'guardian' of our public government entities: investigating in detail the operations of our agencies, and making recommendations for improvement.

In California, all 58 counties are required by law to impanel a civil grand jury every year; that's an indication of the importance of the civil grand jury to our democracy. The civil grand jury provides a very meaningful way to participate in this oversight.

Our County [Monterey] is deeply grateful for the service of all grand jurors. We read the reports, and I'm so impressed every year with the dedication of members of the community who are doing all of this work – 20-30 hours per week. Many people don't have the time or wherewithal to be that citizen who can perform this role which is so important to our democracy. So civil grand jury service is a very special way of participating which benefits the entire community, and I would just like to express our gratitude!

**Joe Truskot, Moderator, and former juror**

From my experience, there's no more effective recruiting tool than talking to someone who has served as a [civil grand jury] member!

The [CGJA-provided] training we received was so practical and gave us a real good basis for starting our job! It was obvious that there are a lot of good heads involved in deciding what needs to be trained, and how to do it.

**Gary Hoffmann**

The focus of civil grand jury investigations and recommendations for improvement, is on the problems, not the people.

**Arthur Rolston**

[on CGJA training materials] The same training program is used all over the state. Every year, every slide and every word accompanying those slides is reviewed, to make it better.

People serving on the grand jury are not doing it because they want 'pats on the back'; the whole idea is that you want to improve the government. So, your service has value.

[on the value of grand jury reports] Every recommendation requires a response, which is also made public.

The grand jury communicates with the public in only one way; through its written reports, which are approved by the judge and then published. That's the only way. That report represents the entire grand jury; there are no dissenting reports, minority reports or informational reports allowed. And there are specific requirements about what goes into the reports. If they identify problems, they're required to provide recommendations to fix them. But only through that report. Otherwise, they're bound by confidentiality. That's what it means to 'speak with one voice.'

**Kim Horowitz**

[on serving as a grand juror] It's a lot of work, but at the end, when your report comes out, and you're getting responses back, it's also incredibly rewarding. You really feel like you've done something important. I see the grand jury as one of the only ways that an average citizen can have a serious impact on local government...and on improving how it works for citizens.

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## Board actions

### 04-28-26

Ratified CGJA President Gary Cooper's appointment of Jon Tonsing as chair of the Legal and Legislative Resources Committee (LLRC).

### 05-26-26

Approved the Yolo County Chapter's application for affiliation.

Approved financial policy changes to Improve short-term liquidity while preserving financial safety.

Approved Annual Conference donations to offset fixed expenses, and the 2026 Annual Conference registration fee of \$128.

Approved revocation of the Alameda County Civil Grand Jury Association chapter status.

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