
O R D E R

Section 14-7-140 of Act 340 of 1986, provides that when drawing and summoning jurors for the court of common pleas or general sessions, the clerk of court may, at the discretion of the governing body of the county use a computer for such purposes in the manner the Supreme Court by order shall direct. Now therefore,

IT IS ORDERED that in lieu of the manual methods required for the drawing and summoning of jurors by Act 340 of 1986, clerks of court, upon approval of the governing body of the county, may use a computer for the drawing and summoning of jurors in the circuit courts if the following condition are met:

1. Any procedures developed hereunder for the selection of jurors by computer must first be approved by the Supreme Court prior to implementation and use.
2. The procedures for performing these functions by electronic data processing equipment shall be in writing, adopted by the jury commissioners, and kept available for public inspection in the office of the Clerk of Court.
3. The procedures adopted must effectively preserve the right of public access to the process of selecting jurors and provide notice to the public of the selection of jurors.
4. Any computer assisted selection of jurors shall be random, impartial, and free of discrimination in respect to any group or individual.
5. All other sections of Act 340 of 1986 shall be adhered to as if the manual drawing process was being used.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that the jury commissioners may adopt such procedures for computer use as they determine necessary provided they do not conflict with the terms of this Order or the statutory laws of this State.

Failure to comply with the provisions of this order shall subject the party so failing to penalties as for contempt of court.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

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Columbia, South Carolina
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