

## Student Handout

# Qualifications for Being a Juror

Read through the following descriptions and determine whether the people described should be able to serve on a jury. Write "Y" for yes and "N" for no. Be sure to include a brief explanation after each one. After you have recorded your initial impressions, your teacher will review them and together the class will draft a list of qualifications based on the discussion of the descriptions.

- \_\_\_ 1. Knut received a notice to serve on a jury in Washington, D.C. He is a resident of Washington, D.C., and is a German citizen.

Explain:

- \_\_\_ 2. Elia received a notice to serve on a jury in her town. She is 17 and a student at the local high school.

Explain:

- \_\_\_ 3. Juan received a notice to serve on a jury in his area. He speaks only Spanish.

Explain:

- \_\_\_ 4. Jackie received a notice to serve on a jury in her city. She has been living in the judicial district for two years. She is a waitress in a local diner and has never been convicted of a felony.

Explain:

- \_\_\_ 5. Roger received a notice to serve on a jury. He is currently in a hospital receiving treatment for schizophrenia.

Explain:

- \_\_\_ 6. Elizabeth received a notice to serve on a jury. She is a lawyer in town and knows the defendant in the trial.

Explain:

Based on your class discussion of the descriptions above, draft a list of qualifications for being a juror on the back of the worksheet.