



Do you like watching 'Law and Order' or other legal TV shows or films?

Have you ever wondered what it would be like to serve on a jury?

Would you like to be involved in a research study about jury service?



IF YOU SAID 'YES' TO ALL THESE QUESTIONS, AND LIVE IN MELBOURNE, THEN PLEASE CONSIDER PARTICIPATING IN A NEW AND INNOVATIVE RESEARCH PROJECT*.

Jemina Napier, a Senior Lecturer at Macquarie University and an Auslan interpreter teacher and researcher, with the assistance of research assistant Gerry Shearim, is conducting a study to compare how much deaf and hearing people can understand of what a judge says, to evaluate if deaf people can serve as jurors. The aim of the project is to compare deaf jurors' comprehension of a judge's summation through interpreting with non-deaf jurors' understanding by listening.

This project will lead to recommendations as to whether deaf people can serve as jurors in Australia, and internationally.

The Melbourne round of testing will take place between 19-22 March 2010 at the office of VicDeaf - JMLC, Level 3, 4/340 Albert Street, East Melbourne. If you are interested in being involved in this research project please contact Gerry Shearim by email (geraldine.shearim@ling.mq.edu.au) for more details.

Your involvement will involve approximately one hour, and you will receive a \$20 gift card for your time and trouble.

We look forward to hearing from you.

*If you are a law student or have any knowledge of sign language or deafness (except if you are deaf) you cannot be involved in the project.