

§ 9-3. Qualifications of prospective jurors.

(a) A person is qualified to serve as a juror and shall be included on the master jury list if the person meets all of the following:

- (1) Is a citizen of the United States.
- (2) Is a resident of the State.
- (3) Is a resident of the county.
- (4) Has not served as a juror during the preceding two years.
- (5) Has not served a full term of service as a grand juror during the preceding six years.
- (6) Is 18 years of age or over.
- (7) Is physically and mentally competent.
- (8) Can understand the English language.
- (9) Has not been convicted of a felony or pleaded guilty or nolo contendere to an indictment charging a felony, or if convicted of a felony or having plead guilty or nolo contendere to an indictment charging a felony, has had that person's citizenship restored pursuant to law.
- (10) Has not been adjudged non compos mentis.

(b) A person not qualified under this section is subject to challenge for cause. (1806, c. 694, P.R.; Code, ss. 1722, 1723; 1889, c. 559; 1897, cc. 117, 539; 1899, c. 729; Rev., s. 1957; C.S., s. 2312; 1947, c. 1007, s. 1; 1967, c. 218, s. 1; 1971, c. 1231, s. 1; 1973, c. 230, ss. 1, 2; 1977, c. 711, s. 10; 2011-42, s. 1; 2012-180, s. 3; 2013-148, s. 1; 2023-140, s. 44(a).)