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RE: Second Jeffco Grand Jury to Be Impaneled June 10

First Judicial District Attorney Scott Storey today announced that Jefferson County's second grand jury will be impaneled on June 10. Storey requested an additional grand jury when the existing First Judicial District grand jury didn't have time to hear all of the matters awaiting presentation.

"One of our top priorities is to tackle these organized rings of identity thieves in Jefferson County and across Colorado," Storey said. "The grand jury is a good tool to identify and indict these people, but we need enough grand jury time to make that happen."

Colorado grand juries have the power to return criminal indictments after hearing testimony and considering non-testimonial evidence. Grand juries usually consider only complex matters, often using their subpoena powers to obtain testimony and documents in cases that involve organized groups of criminals. Denver County and Arapahoe County also have two grand juries.

Grand jurors are selected in the same way as jurors for criminal trials, but meet no more than about 20 times during their one year of service. Even with two grand juries, well over 95% of all felony crimes in Jefferson County will still be filed by the district attorney without the use of a grand jury.

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