

6.1 Initiating Grand Jury Proceedings.

(a) Supervision.

The court directly supervises grand juries that convene as the chief judge orders. The chief judge or, if the chief judge is unavailable or disqualified, the next senior and available active district judge, impanels and discharges the grand jury and acts on the court's behalf during grand jury proceedings.

(b) Docket Assignment.

The clerk assigns each newly impaneled grand jury a grand jury docket number. Documents pertaining to grand jury matters must bear the assigned docket number and are maintained by the clerk under seal; no motion or order to seal is necessary.