

# TOP 10 ISSUES FACING NEW LAWYERS PRE-TRIAL MEMO & VOIR DIRE

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Consider beginning preparation for jury selection by requesting a copy of the petit jury list from the court of clerk at least ten days before your trial date. Social media is used by every generation to stay connected with friends and family and meet new people with common interests, philosophies and goals. In doing so, social media users often publicly express opinions on current events, divulge political preferences, share major life events and post photographs of their travels, family and friends. By performing a “social media sweep” of each potential juror, you’ll be surprised what useful information you can find that will help you determine whether you want he or she to sit as a juror in your client’s case.

## **1:8-5. Availability of Petit Jury List**

The list of the general panel of petit jurors shall be made available by the clerk of the court to any party requesting the same **at least ten days prior to the date fixed for trial**. In cases where the death penalty may be imposed, the list shall be made available to any party requesting it at least twenty days prior to the date fixed for trial. N.J. Court Rules, R. 1:8-5.

## **Most Common Social Media Websites Used in 2016:**

LinkedIn	Facebook	Tumblr	Periscope
YouTube	Google +	Snapchat	Medium
Instagram	Twitter	Reddit	Shots
Vine	Pinterest	Flicker	Yik Yak

**Websites useful for a comprehensive free search of all public content on social media accounts attached to a specific name of user name:**

*PeekYou.Com*

*Pipl.com*

*www.lullar.com* (com-people search by e-mail or name)