

**KENTUCKY BAR ASSOCIATION
KENTUCKY RULES OF CRIMINAL PROCEDURE**

GRAND JURY

RCr 5.24 Secrecy of proceedings; disclosure

(1) Subject to the right of a person indicted to procure a transcript or recording as provided by Rule 5.16(3), and subject to the authority of the court at any time to direct otherwise, all persons present during any part of the proceedings of a grand jury shall keep its proceedings and the testimony given before it secret, except that counsel may divulge such information as may be necessary in preparing the case for trial or other disposition.

(2) The court may direct that an indictment be kept secret until the defendant is in custody or has given bail, in which event the clerk shall seal the indictment and no person shall disclose the finding of the indictment except when necessary for the issuance and execution of a warrant or summons.

(3) A violation of this Rule 5.24 shall be punishable as a contempt of court.

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