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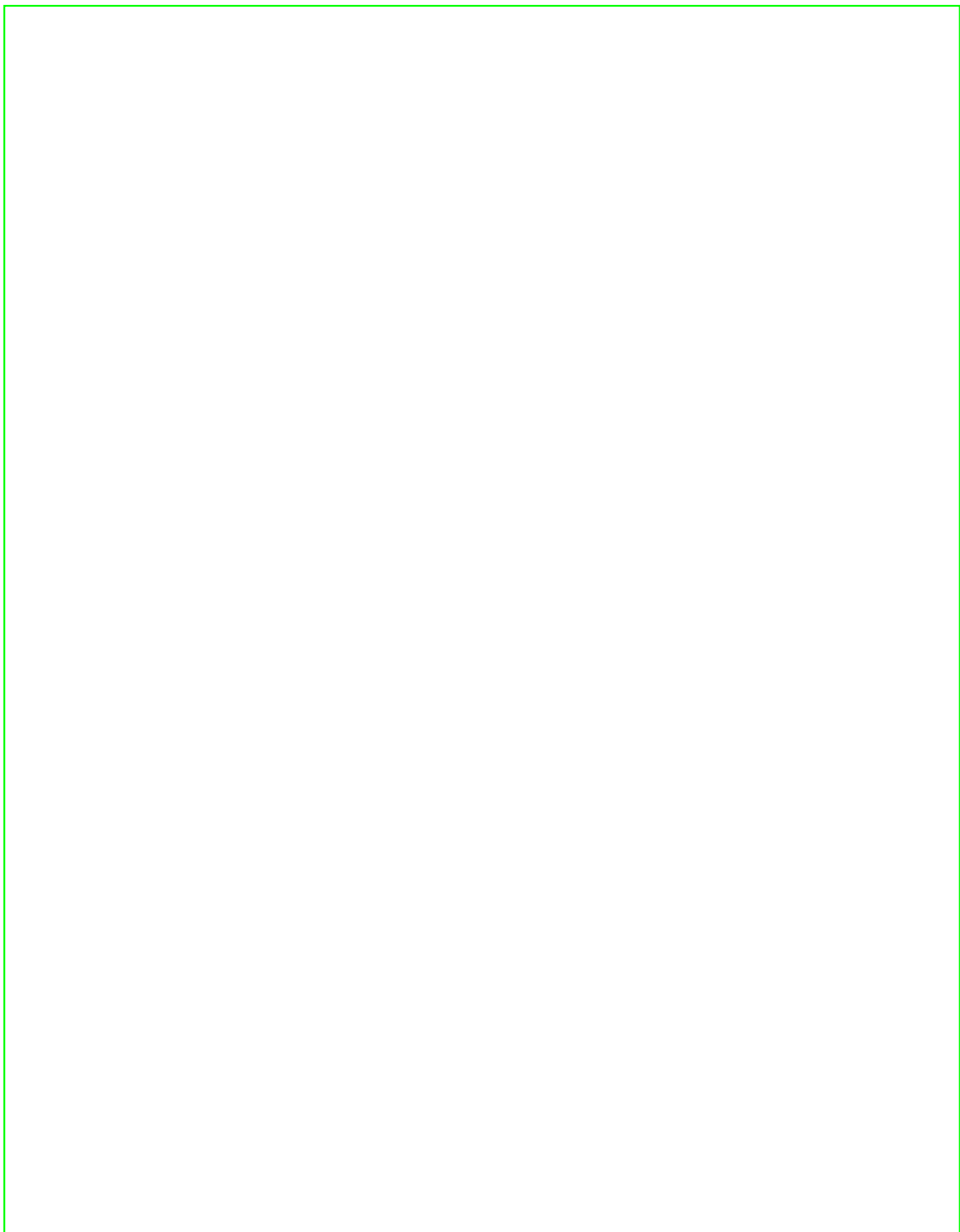
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PREFACE

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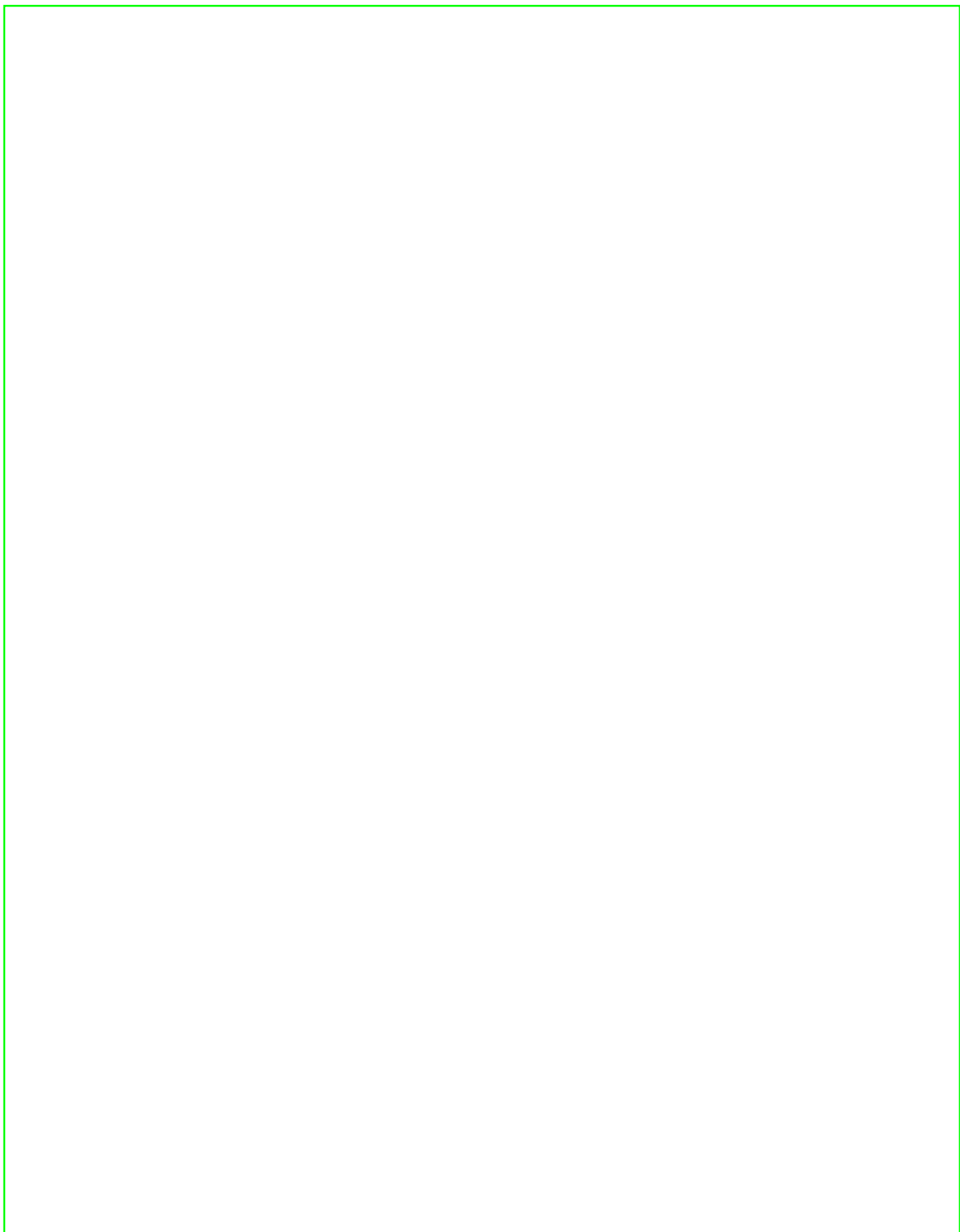
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CALJIC FORMS is not, in itself, a research tool. Reference should always be made to the Use Notes and Comments in this edition of CALJIC to study the proper utilization of these jury instructions.

CALJIC FORMS is a practice tool. The forms are printed in an 8½ x 11 format so that they may be copied for use at trial. Counsel should fill in the necessary blanks and make any appropriate adaptations before submitting them to the court. Local rules should be consulted for the appropriate procedures in submitting instructions.

NOTE: Special care should be taken to ensure that the most current forms are always being used. The forms are updated at six-month intervals. Each instruction includes a “print date.” Reference should be made to the most current Table of Instructions for the current print date.

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