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**IMPLEMENTATION OF HOURLY RATE AND CASE MAXIMUM INCREASES FOR
CJA PANEL ATTORNEYS**

The hourly rate for the Criminal Justice Act (CJA) panel attorney has been increased from \$129 to \$132 for work performed on non-capital cases on or after May 5, 2017. Where the appointment of counsel occurred before May 5, 2017, the new compensation rates will apply to the portion of services provided on or after May 5, 2017.

Likewise, the panel attorney case compensation maximum amounts, excluding expenses, have increased from \$10,000, \$7,200, and \$2,100 to \$10,300, \$7,300, and \$2,200 respectively, in the following types of matters: felonies, proceedings under 18 U.S.C. § 983, post-conviction proceedings under 28 U.S.C. §§ 2241, 2254, or 2255, proceedings under 28 U.S.C. § 1875, proceedings under 18 U.S.C. § 4106A and other representation required or authorized by the CJA (including, but not limited to probation, supervised release hearing, material witness, grand jury witness) and appeals of other representation. However, the other case maximum amount of \$2,900 for misdemeanors and proceedings under 18 U.S.C. § 4107 or § 4108, remain the same.

The new case compensation maximums apply to a voucher submitted by appointed counsel if the attorney or service provider furnished any CJA-compensable work on or after May 5, 2017. The former case compensation maximums apply to representation that is completed before May 5, 2017.

Should you have any questions or concerns, do not hesitate to contact Shervin T. Clarke, Financial Supervisor, at (340) 774-0640.

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