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INCREASES OF CJA HOURLY RATE AND CASE MAXIMUMS

The hourly rate for the Criminal Justice Act (CJA) panel attorney has been increased from \$155 to \$158 for work performed on non-capital cases and from \$197 to \$202 for capital work on or after January 1, 2022. Where the appointment of counsel occurred before January 1, 2022, the new compensation rates will apply to the portion of services provided on or after January 1, 2022.

Due to the increase in the non-capital hourly rate, the waivable case compensation maximum amounts for non-capital representations, excluding expenses, have increased to:

- \$12,300 (previously \$12,100);
- \$ 8,800 (previously \$8,600); and
- \$ 3,500 (previously \$3,400).

The \$2,600 case compensation maximum does not change.

The new case compensation maximums apply to vouchers submitted by appointed counsel who furnished any CJA-compensable work on or after January 1, 2022. The former case compensation maximums apply to vouchers submitted by appointed counsel for CJA-compensable work completed before January 1, 2022.

The waivable case compensation maximum amount for investigative, expert, and other services with prior authorization remains at \$2,700. The \$2,700 maximum, which excludes expenses, applies to each individual service provider in a non-capital representation. The case compensation maximum amount for these services without prior authorization remains at \$900.

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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