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MEMORANDUM

TO: All CJA Panel Attorneys

FROM: Gary Wente, Circuit Executive
Susan Goldberg, Deputy Circuit Executive

DATE: March 18, 2014

RE: Hourly Rate and Case Maximum Increases

Effective March 1, 2014, Criminal Justice Act (CJA) panel attorney hourly rates and case compensation maximums have increased as provided below.

CJA panel attorney rates for work performed on or after March 1, 2014 have increased to \$126 per hour for non-capital cases and \$180 per hour for capital cases. Where the appointment of counsel occurred before this effective date, the new compensation rates apply to that portion of services provided on or after March 1, 2014.

Additionally, the case compensation maximum for felony, misdemeanor, civil asset forfeiture, §§ 2254 and 2255 appeals has increased from \$6,900 to \$7,000.¹ The *new* case compensation maximum applies to a voucher submitted by appointed counsel if that person furnished any CJA-compensable work on or after March 1, 2014. The *former* case compensation maximum applies to a voucher submitted by appointed counsel if that person's CJA compensable work on the representation was completed before March 1, 2014.

¹The case maximum amount of \$2,100 remains the same for supervised release revocation, crack amendment, resentencing, and material witness appeals, as well as appeals in "other" representations required or authorized by the Criminal Justice Act.