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MEMORANDUM

TO: All CJA Panel Attorneys

FROM: Susan J. Goldberg, Circuit Executive

DATE: January 13, 2015

RE: Hourly Rate, Case Maximum and Mileage Rate Increases

Effective January 1, 2015, Criminal Justice Act (CJA) panel attorney hourly rates, case compensation maximums and mileage reimbursement rates have increased as provided below.

CJA panel attorney rates for work performed on or after January 1, 2015 have increased to \$127 per hour for non-capital cases and \$181 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 January 1, 2015.

Additionally, the case compensation maximum for felony, misdemeanor, civil asset forfeiture and §§ 2254 and 2255 appeals has increased from \$7,000 to \$7,100.¹ The *new* case compensation maximum applies to a voucher submitted by appointed counsel if that person furnished any CJA-compensable work on or after January 1, 2015. 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 January 1, 2015.

The reimbursement mileage rate for privately owned automobiles increased from \$0.56 to \$0.575 per mile for travel performed on or after January 1, 2015.

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.