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## **MEMORANDUM**

TO: All CJA Panel Attorneys

FROM: Susan J. Goldberg, Circuit Executive

DATE: March 28, 2018

SUBJECT: CJA Hourly Rate and Case Maximum Increases

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Effective March 23, 2018, Criminal Justice Act (CJA) panel attorney hourly rates and case compensation maximums for attorneys have increased as provided below.

CJA panel attorney rates for work performed on or after March 23, 2018 have increased to \$140 per hour for non-capital cases and \$188 per hour for capital cases. In 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 23, 2018.

Additionally, the case compensation maximum for felony, misdemeanor, civil asset forfeiture, and §§ 2254 and 2255 appeals has increased from \$7,300 to \$7,800. The case compensation maximum for supervised release revocation, crack amendment, resentencing, and material witness appeals, as well as appeals in "other" representations required or authorized by the CJA, has increased from \$2,100 to \$2,300. The new case compensation maximums apply if appointed counsel furnished any CJA-compensable work on or after March 23, 2018. The former case compensation maximums apply to vouchers submitted on or after March 23, 2018 if all CJA-compensable work on the representation was completed before March 23, 2018.