

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF PUERTO RICO



**NOTICE FROM THE CLERK
NO. 21-15**

**INCREASES TO PANEL ATTORNEY HOURLY RATES AND
CASE COMPENSATION MAXIMUMS UNDER THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE ACT (CJA)**

The Administrative Office of the United States Courts has announced that due to the issuance of Executive Order number 14061 by the President Biden regarding 2022 federal civilian pay rates, 86 Fed. Reg. 73601 (December 22, 2021), inflationary adjustments will be made to the Criminal Justice Act (CJA) panel attorney hourly rates. *See*, 18 U.S.C. § 3006A(d)(1) and § 3599(g)(1). Effective January 1, 2022, the panel attorney hourly rates will increase from \$155 to \$158 for non-capital work and from \$197 to \$202 for capital work performed **on or after January 1, 2022**. Where the appointment of counsel occurred before January 1, 2022, the new hourly compensation rate applies to that portion of services provided on or after the effective date.

The non-capital rate increase will result in increases to the panel attorney case compensation maximums in non-capital cases. The adjusted panel attorney case compensation maximums are now as follows:

CASE COMPENSATION MAXIMUMS FOR NON-CAPITAL CASES		
If the case is a	Previous case maximum was	New compensation maximum is
FELONY	\$12,100	\$12,300
MISDEMEANOR	\$3,400	\$3,500
APPEAL	\$8,600	\$8,800
Proceedings under 18 U.S.C. §983 & 28 U.S.C. §1875, 2241, 2254 or 2255	\$12,100	\$12,300
Other representation required or authorized by CJA (including, but not limited to probation, supervised release hearing, material witness, grand jury witness) (No Change)	\$2,600	\$2,600


The new case compensation maximums apply to a voucher submitted by appointed counsel if that person furnished any CJA-compensable work on or after January 1, 2022. The former case

compensation maximums apply to a voucher submitted by appointed counsel if that person's CJA-compensable work on the representation was completed before January 1, 2022.

The new hourly rate and case compensation maximums will be updated in eVoucher through a national update.

For further details on these new CJA hourly rates or case compensation maximums, or any other CJA matter, please visit the CJA Panel Section of the Court's website at www.prd.uscourts.gov, or contact the CJA Clerk via email at PRDdb_CJA@prd.uscourts.gov.

In San Juan, Puerto Rico, this 30th day of December, 2021.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'MA', is written over a horizontal line.

MARÍA ANTONGIORGI, ESQ.
CLERK OF COURT

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