

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
MIDDLE DISTRICT OF FLORIDA**

In re: Administrative Orders of the Chief Judge

Case No. 3:21-mc-1-TJC

**ORDER REGARDING PAYMENT OF CJA LAWYERS
AND EXPERT SERVICE PROVIDERS**

The Judges of the Middle District of Florida have adopted the following policies regarding the payment of lawyers and expert service providers under the Criminal Justice Act (CJA), 18 U.S.C. § 3006A.

CJA panel lawyers may utilize the services of **interpreters** up to the waivable case compensation maximum for expert services provided in the Guide to Judiciary Policy (Guide) **without prior authorization**. Current case compensation maximums can be found on the Court's website at <https://www.flmd.uscourts.gov/rates-and-compensation-maximums>.

In addition, the Court delegates to the Clerk's Office Attorney Advisors the authority to review and approve the following:

- Requests for prior authorization (AUTHs) to spend up to the waivable case compensation maximum provided in the Guide per expert service provider type, except that they may approve up to \$5,000 for interpreter services.
- Expert vouchers (CJA-21s/31s) requesting a payment up to the waivable case compensation maximum provided in the Guide.

- Attorney vouchers (CJA-20s/30s) requesting payment up to the waivable case compensation maximum provided in the Guide.
- Attorney requests for transcripts (AUTH-24s).
- Court reporter vouchers (CJA-24s).
- Requests from lawyers and experts to be reimbursed for travel expenses (Travel AUTHs).

The Attorney Advisors will not reduce a voucher for unreasonableness without judge approval. A voucher exceeding the limits of the limited delegation described in this order or presenting unusual circumstances will be sent to the presiding judge for review.

For questions about these policies, contact FLMD_CJA@flmd.uscourts.gov.

DONE AND ORDERED in Jacksonville, Florida this 1st day of November, 2024.



Timothy J. Corrigan

TIMOTHY J. CORRIGAN
Chief United States District Judge

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