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**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF ARIZONA**

In the matter of

DELEGATED AUTHORITY TO
APPROVE CRIMINAL JUSTICE ACT
VOUCHERS AND AUTHORIZATION
REQUESTS

GENERAL ORDER 23-06

Effective February 23, 2023, the Court hereby delegates to the CJA Voucher Review Unit the authority to approve on behalf of the presiding judicial officer vouchers submitted to the Court for payment pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §3006A(d)(5), subject to the following:

1. The total compensation amount claimed for counsel must be equal to or less than 20 hours per voucher, excluding expenses, per attorney.
2. The total compensation amount claimed for service providers without prior authorization must not exceed the current limit for such services, excluding expenses, per representation.
3. The total compensation amount claimed for service providers with prior authorization must not exceed the current waivable case compensation maximum, excluding expenses, per service provider.
4. For vouchers that fall within the above criteria, reviewers may adjust the claimed amount for mathematical errors and technical reasons, including whether billed work is compensable under the Criminal Justice Act and whether billed mileage and travel time complies with this District’s travel policies. Adjustments on any

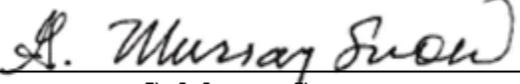
1 other grounds require review and approval of the voucher by the presiding judicial
2 officer.

- 3 5. For vouchers that fall within the above criteria and are submitted beyond the 45-
4 day submission deadline but less than one year after case disposition, voucher
5 reviewers may determine whether counsel has demonstrated good cause for the
6 untimely submission and process the voucher or may send the voucher to the
7 presiding judicial officer for final review and approval.
- 8 6. Any voucher submitted in excess of 20 hours, that exceeds the case compensation
9 maximum, or that is submitted one year or more after case disposition must be
10 submitted to the presiding judicial officer for final review and approval.
- 11 7. Any claimant who wishes to object to or otherwise appeal action taken by a
12 delegatee voucher reviewer serving as the approving official may request review by
13 the presiding judicial officer.

14 The Court further delegates to the CJA Administrator the authority to approve on the
15 presiding judicial officer's behalf the following authorization requests under 18 U.S.C.
16 §3006A(e)(1):

- 17 1. Transcript authorization requests, including ordinary (30-day delivery), 14-day
18 delivery, expedited (7-day delivery), 3-day delivery, and trial transcripts
19 (including opening, statements, argument, rebuttal, jury instructions, and voir
20 dire), but excluding daily, hourly, or Realtime Unedited.
- 21 2. Authorization requests for investigators, paralegals, or interpreters up to the
22 current statutory maximum for service providers with prior approval.
- 23 3. Requests for interim payment for counsel or service providers where the request is
24 approved by the CJA Administrator up to the current statutory maximum, or
25 where no additional funding has been requested.
- 26 4. Domestic travel authorization requests with estimated costs up to \$2,000.

27 Dated this 14th day of March, 2023.

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G. Murray Snow
Chief United States District Judge