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## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS

GENERAL ORDER NO. 23-00001

IN RE:

IN THE MATTER OF CJA SERVICE PROVIDERS LANGUAGE INTERPRETER RATES

Due to the Administrative Office's increase in the in-court rate for interpreters, and as determined and recommended by the CJA Standing Committee at its January 19, 2023 meeting, there will be an increase to the hourly rate for CJA language interpreters effective on February 1, 2023. Language interpreters will be paid hourly as follows:

Language Skilled (Non-certified) \$75

Certified<sup>1</sup> and Professionally Qualified<sup>2</sup> Interpreters \$85

A minimum one-hour fee may be charged for each service. Payment for services of more than one hour will be prorated based on actual time spent providing interpreting services. This order supersedes General Order 19-00011.

SO ORDERED this 31st day of January, 2023.

RAMONA V. MANGLONA

Chief Judge

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Certified interpreters must pass the Federal Court Interpreter Certification Examination (only available for Spanish, Navajo and Haitian Creole).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Professionally Qualified Interpreters must meet one of the following criteria:

<sup>(</sup>a) Passed the U.S. Department of State conference or seminar interpreter test in a language pair that includes English and the target language. The U.S. Department of State's escort interpreter test is not accepted as qualifying.

<sup>(</sup>b) Passed the interpreter test of the United Nations in a language pair that includes English and the target language.

<sup>(</sup>c) Is a current member qualified in English and the target language in good standing of:

<sup>(1)</sup> the Association Internationale des Interprètes de Conférence (AIIC); or

<sup>(2)</sup> The American Association of Language Specialists (TAALS).

<sup>(</sup>d) For sign language interpreters, someone who holds the Specialist Certificate: Legal (SC:L) of the Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf (RID).