IN RE: Court Appointed

Attorney Fees for Criminal Cases

in the Fifth Judicial District of

Pennsylvania

: No. AD- 2024 - 3.63 -PJ

ORDER OF COURT

AND NOW, this 3rd day of September 2024, it is hereby ORDERED, ADJUDGED, and DECREED that the attached updated *Fifth Judicial District of Pennsylvania Criminal Case Court-Appointed Attorney Fee Policy* shall replace the current system for compensating Court-Appointed Attorneys who practice in the Criminal Division of the Allegheny County Court of Common Pleas or who represent defendants on criminal cases at the Magisterial District Courts in the Fifth Judicial District of Pennsylvania.

The new hourly billing rates under this policy shall be effective for work performed that occurs on or after the date of this Order. The new maximums shall be effective for all cases on which the Court-Appointed Attorney is still actively working as of the date of this Order.

This Order shall remain in effect until March 31, 2025, while the impact of these changes is evaluated. Absent further Order of Court, the policy in existence prior to the date this Court Order will resume effect on April 1, 2025.

This Order does not affect or alter any other existing provisions or limitations regarding payment for Court-Appointed Attorneys in other divisions. This Order does not apply to attorneys acting pursuant to a contract with the Court or who are paid for services other than representing clients.

BY THE COURT:

Susan Evashavik DiLucente

President Judge

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