

**SUPREME COURT
No. 2019-06**

In re Indigent Defense :
Services Payment Rates :

EXECUTIVE ORDER

Pursuant to the authority invested in the Chief Justice of the Rhode Island Supreme Court by G.L. 1956 (2012 Reenactment) § 8-15-2 and in order to better facilitate the provision of competent legal representation for indigent defense services and certain civil panels, and to enhance the uniform and efficient payment of services therefor, Executive Order 13-07 is hereby amended as follows.

Supreme Court		
Indigent Defense Services		
Criminal Appeal	\$85/hour	\$5,200 threshold
Miscellaneous Appeals and Petitions	\$85/hour	\$5,200 threshold
Post-conviction Relief Appeal	\$85/hour	\$5,200 threshold
Termination of Parental Rights Appeals	\$85/hour	\$5,200 threshold
Expenses		\$500 threshold

Superior Court		
Indigent Defense Services		
Murder	\$100/hour	\$30,000 threshold
Murder – Post-conviction Relief	\$100/hour	\$7,500 threshold
Class 1 Felony	\$90/hour	\$10,000 threshold
Class 1 Felony – Post-conviction Relief	\$90/hour	\$5,500 threshold
Class 2 Felony	\$60/hour	\$5,000 threshold
Class 2 Felony – Post-conviction Relief	\$60/hour	\$3,500 threshold
Misdemeanor	\$50/hour	\$1,500 threshold
Misdemeanor – Post-conviction Relief	\$50/hour	\$750 threshold
Sexual Violent Predator	\$50/hour	\$1,500 threshold
Violation of Court Order for Payment of Fines, Costs, and/or Restitution	\$30/hour	\$1,500 threshold
Courtroom 14 (Fines, Costs, and/or Restitution Calendar), Licht Judicial Complex		\$200/day – 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Courtrooms 5-G (Pre-arraignment Calendar), Providence/Bristol County and 9 (Daily Criminal Calendar), Providence/Bristol County		\$300/day – 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and from 2:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Expenses		\$500 threshold

Family Court		
Indigent Defense Services		
Dependency/Neglect/Abuse Arraignment	\$30/hour \$30/hour	\$1,000 threshold In the event of multiple arraignments, no more than a total of \$100 for all arraignments
Review	\$60 flat fee per review, to include preparation, waiting, and court time	\$1,000 threshold
Felony (adult)	\$60/hour	\$5,000 threshold
Felony (adult) – Post-conviction Relief	\$60/hour	\$2,500 threshold
Guardian Ad Litem for Child Protection and Wayward/Delinquency	\$50/hour	\$2,000 threshold
Misdemeanor (adult)	\$50/hour	\$1,500 threshold
Misdemeanor (adult) – Post- conviction Relief	\$50/hour	\$750 threshold
Termination of Parental Rights Arraignment	\$50/hour \$30/hour	\$2,500 threshold In the event of multiple arraignments, no more than a total of \$100 for all arraignments
Review	\$60 flat fee per review, to include preparation, waiting, and court time	\$1,500 threshold
Violation of Court Order for Child and/or Spousal Support	\$50/hour	\$2,500 threshold
Waiver of Jurisdiction and Certification Hearing	\$50/hour	\$3,500 threshold
Waiver/Delinquency Arraignment	\$30/hour \$30/hour	\$1,000 threshold In the event of multiple arraignments, no more than a total of \$100 for all arraignments
Review	The fee shall be \$30 per hour or \$60 per review per juvenile, whichever is less, to include preparation, waiting, and court time	\$1,000 threshold
Expenses		\$500 threshold

District Court		
Indigent Defense Services		
Class 1 Felony	\$90/hour	\$10,000 threshold
Class 2 Felony	\$60/hour	\$5,000 threshold
Driving Under Influence of Liquor or Drugs	\$50/hour	\$2,500 threshold
Driving Under Influence of Liquor or Drugs – Post-conviction Relief	\$50/hour	\$750 threshold
Misdemeanor	\$60/hour	\$1,800 threshold
Misdemeanor – Post-conviction Relief	\$50/hour	\$750 threshold
Violation of Court Order for Payment of Fines, Costs, and/or Restitution	\$30/hour	\$1,500 threshold
Expenses		\$500 threshold

These amended rates shall be effective in all pending and future cases as of July 1, 2019.

All other provisions of Executive Order 13-07 shall remain in full force and effect.

Entered as an Executive Order of this Court this 28th day of June, 2019.

BY ORDER:

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Paul A. Suttell
Chief Justice