NOTICE TO CRIMINAL JUSTICE ACT (CJA) COUNSEL REGARDING HOURLY RATES AND CASE COMPENSATION MAXIMUMS

Effective January 1, 2010, the Criminal Justice Act was amended to raise the case compensation maximums and hourly rates applicable to appointed counsel. The new maximums and rates apply to appointed counsel for CJA-compensable work furnished **on or after** January 1, 2010. Former case maximums and rates apply to appointed counsel for work completed **before** January 1, 2010.

The non-capital hourly panel attorney compensation rate was increased from \$110 to \$125, and the maximum hourly capital rate was increased from \$175 to \$178 (for federal capital prosecutions and capital post-conviction proceedings).

The new case compensation maximums are as follows:

Felony	\$9,700 (previously \$8,600)
Misdemeanor	\$2,800 (previously \$2,400)
Appeal	\$6,900 (previously \$6,100)
Other (material witness, etc.)	\$2,100 (previously \$1,800)

For services other than counsel, the maximums effective May 27, 2010 are:

Services without prior authorization may not exceed \$800 (previously \$500).

Services with prior authorization may not exceed \$2,400 (previously \$2,100).

Any questions may be directed to Julie McKenzie, the District Court Financial Administrator.

JEFFREY S. EATON Clerk of Court