

IN THE SECOND JUDICIAL
CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF JUDGE

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER: 89-111

IN RE: COURT INTERPRETERS

WHEREAS, the Chief Judge is charged by Rule 2.050 Fla. R. Jud. Admin., with general administrative responsibility over all courts within the judicial circuit and accordingly considers the following measures necessary and appropriate; and

WHEREAS, the Court and related agencies frequently must rely upon services of interpreters in proceedings required under the Florida Rules of Court; and

WHEREAS, historically individual justice system agencies have provided office personnel as an accommodation to perform this function and the Court believes this situation poses an unnecessary burden upon these agencies since they are salaried to perform altogether unrelated duties; and

WHEREAS, there exists a need to establish certain criteria in the interests of eliminating rate disparities and so that private or freelance interpreters are treated uniformly; it is, therefore:

ORDERED that:

A. Any person appointed to perform interpreter services for the Court, or related agencies, shall place on file with the Court Administrator a resume outlining his credentials and documenting an expertise in his area of specialty as it relates judicial proceedings.

B. The following schedule of fees shall be uniformly applied throughout this circuit as an upper limit in all proceedings required to be reported and paid by a public authority.

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1. APPEARANCES.

- (a) One hour or less, \$25.00.
- (b) Each additional hour, \$10.00
- (c) Overtime, including appearances before 9:00 a.m., after 5:00 p.m., Saturdays, Sundays, and Legal Holidays, \$16.00 per hour.

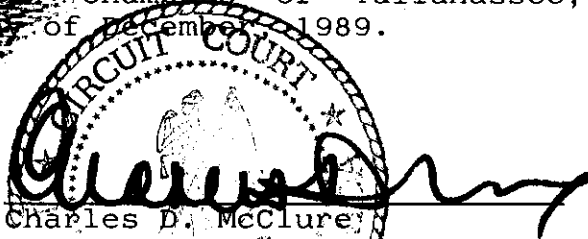
2. TRAVEL EXPENSES. Where applicable mileage, meals, and per diem charges shall be authorized as provided in Sec. 112.061, F. S.

C. All applications by court interpreters for payment of services shall be submitted in accordance with conditions contained herein and in a format to be promulgated by the Court Administrator. Each application shall be approved as to performance by the ordering judge, agency head, or authorized representative and thereafter approved as to fees by the Court Administrator.

D. Counsel are responsible for pre-determining the need for interpreter services at trial and for securing same.

E. This order shall not be construed to require dual compensation of staff positions in the event they are directed by the agency head to translate preparatory to trial.

DONE AND ORDERED in Chambers of Tallahassee, Florida, this 13th day of December, 1989.



Charles D. McClure
Chief Judge

