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MEMORANDUM

TO: CJA Trial Attorney Panel

FROM: Dale S. Fischer

Chair, CJA Committee

RE: Timeliness Rules for the Submission of Service Provider and Expert

Vouchers in eVoucher

DATE: January 5, 2022

Effective February 1, 2022 the following timeliness rules will apply to service providers and experts who work on CJA cases in the Central District of California.

<u>INTERIM BILLING</u>. Monthly billing is preferred, but service providers and experts <u>must</u> submit their interim billing in eVoucher no more than six months from the date of the first service date on their voucher. If a voucher is submitted after this six-month period, the service provider or expert must concurrently submit a letter to the CJA Supervising Attorney explaining good cause for the delay. The letter may be forwarded to the Chair of the CJA Committee for consideration.

<u>FINAL BILLING</u>. Service Providers and experts must submit their *final* voucher in a case within 90-days from the earliest of the following dates: (1) final disposition of the case, frequently the date of the Judgment and Commitment; or (2) the date a service provider or expert's work has concluded. If a final voucher is submitted after this 90-day period, the service provider or expert must concurrently submit a letter to the Chair of the CJA Committee explaining good cause for the delay.

The press of business is not a valid reason for the delayed submission of interim or final vouchers.