



First Judicial District of Pennsylvania

Fees and Procedures Are Applicable Only to

Court Appointments Made July 28, 2022 - October 31, 2023

Expert Witness Payment Voucher/Order

See Phila. R.J.A. \*122, \*122-11 and \*122-12

1.(A) INVOICE NO. FROM LETTER OF APPOINTMENT 1.(B) DATE OF APPOINTMENT

SECTION 1 - ATTORNEY & DEFENDANT INFORMATION

2. ATTORNEY'S LAST NAME MIDDLE ATTORNEY'S FIRST NAME 3. ATTORNEY STATE I.D. NO. 4. ATTORNEY ADDRESS (Counsel must maintain their principal office in Philadelphia) Philadelphia, PA EMAIL ADDRESS TELEPHONE NUMBER 5. DEFENDANT LAST NAME MIDDLE DEFENDANT'S FIRST NAME 6. CPCMS NUMBER OR OTHER DOCKET NUMBER -51-

SECTION 2 - EXPERT WITNESS INFORMATION

7. EXPERT WITNESS' LAST NAME MIDDLE EXPERT WITNESS' FIRST NAME 8. PHILA. BUSINESS LICENSE NUMBER EXPERT WITNESS ADDRESS EMAIL ADDRESS TELEPHONE NUMBER

SECTION 3 - CASE TYPE

Homicide Adult- Non-Homicide Juvenile

SECTION 4 - EXPERT WITNESS FEES

9. FEE TYPES Decertification - Mental Health Evaluation: \$ (TBD by Judge). Fixed Amount Allowed by the Court: \$ Attached is a copy of the Court Order. Compensation on an hourly basis was approved by the Court. Attached is a copy of the Court Order. Number of Hours: Hourly Rate: \$ Total Amount Requested: \$ Must Attach Chronological List of Services Rendered to this Voucher, and any receipts. Amounts in Excess of \$7,500 must be approved by the Trial Judge, and the Supervising, Administrative, or President Judge as applicable.

A. AMOUNT PAID TO EXPERT WITNESS TO DATE: \$ B. OTHER FEE PETITIONS PENDING: Yes No

I certify that I have retained the above named Expert Witness, that the Expert Witness is necessary to provide appropriate representation to the above Defendant, and I will ensure that the Expert Witness performs his/her duties satisfactorily as requested. I understand that false statements and/or representations made herein are subject to the penalties of 18 Pa. C.S. Section 4904, relating to unsworn falsification to authorities.

10. ATTORNEY SIGNATURE DATE:

I certify that I have been retained by the above named attorney as an Expert Witness services in connection with this case. I understand that false statements and/or representations made herein are subject to the penalties of 18 Pa. C.S. Section 4904, relating to unsworn falsification to authorities.

11. EXPERT WITNESS SIGNATURE DATE:

FOR COURT USE ONLY- JUDICIAL REVIEW AND APPROVAL

ORDER The City of Philadelphia is ordered to pay the above-named Expert Witness the sum of \$ found to be reasonable and consistent with Phila. R.J.A. \*122-11 and \*122-12 connection with the services rendered in connection with the above-referenced case, subject to correction by the QAU or Legal Liaison Unit as noted below: QAU / LLU Name: Date: Fee Adjusted to \$ due to the following ministerial error:

12. NAME OF TRIAL JUDGE SIGNATURE OF TRIAL JUDGE DATE P/JA/J/SJ SIGNATURE (When Necessary) DATE

FOR USE BY THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA

MANAGING DIRECTOR'S OFFICE DATE FINANCE DEPARTMENT DATE CONTROLLER'S OFFICE DATE

Instructions for the Completion Attorney Payment Voucher/Order  
Family Court - Dependency

- Line 1: Enter: A. the Appointment Letter invoice number; B. the Date of Appointment as they appear on the appointment letter; and C. indicate whether prior counsel had been appointed. Substituted counsel will be paid as "new" counsel, at the rates in effect on the date of substituted counsel's appointment.
- Line 2: Enter the court-appointed attorney's LAST Name, MIDDLE, and FIRST Name as it appears on the appointment letter.
- Line 3: Enter the attorney's PA Attorney ID number.
- Line 4: Enter the attorney's Philadelphia address, which is required by Phila. Crim.R. \*122, as it appears on the appointment order.
- Line 5: Enter the Client's LAST Name, MIDDLE Name, and FIRST Name as it appears on the appointment letter, and check, as applicable, Client Category: Child, or Parent/Guardian.
- Line 6: Enter the CPCMS Docket Number(s) in the following sequence:  
Family Court – Dependency cases CP-51-DP-(XXXXXXXX) -Year (XXXX)
- Line 7: A. The Fees payable for Dependency Appointment are listed. Please note that the Fees vary by Year of Appointment. Check, as appropriate, First Year, Second Year, and Third & Subsequent Year. If a matter is dismissed before the fourth hearing in FIRST and SECOND YEAR cases, counsel must check the DISMISSAL option. Also check the REMAINDER box and then enter the applicable Remainder amount.  
In *Appeal* representation cases, court-appointed counsel must attach a Chronological List of Services Rendered to this Voucher. A Fee Petition and Order are no longer necessary.  
B. Enter the Date of Service.
- Line 8: A. Check this Option if you were appointed as On-Call Counsel.  
B. Enter the Date of Service.
- Line 9: A. Check this Option if you were appointed for an Adoption – AP- Matter Only Counsel.  
B. Enter the Date Representation ended or conclusion of stage for which payment is authorized. In *Appeal* representation cases, court-appointed counsel must attach a Chronological List of Services Rendered to this Voucher. A Fee Petition and Order are no longer necessary.
- Line 10: Sign and date the Payment Voucher. Failure to sign and date the Voucher will delay processing of payment.
- Line 11: Enter the name of the Presiding Judge/JCHO. The blank entry on the Order portion will be entered by the Presiding Judge/JCHO. When applicable, the Voucher will be routed to the Administrative Judge or Supervising Judge or their designees.

**Please Note**

- 1) Phila. R.J.A. \*122-11 sets for the Payment Authorization Process court-appointed counsel must follow when seeking payment. Phila. R.J.A. \*122-12 sets forth the compensation rates and timing of requests for compensation.
- 2) All Payment Vouchers must be completed by the court-appointed attorney and submitted with all required attachments, including the Appointment Letter and Chronological List of Services Rendered (as applicable), as follows:
  - (a) **Criminal Cases:** by email to [CriminalVouchers@courts.phila.gov](mailto:CriminalVouchers@courts.phila.gov), or in person or by mail to: The Justice Stout Center for Criminal Justice, Information Counter, 2nd Floor, 1301 Filbert Street, Philadelphia, PA 19107.
  - (b) **Family Court Cases:** in person or by mail to: The Philadelphia Family Court, Legal Liaison Payment Unit, 11<sup>th</sup> Floor, 1501 Arch Street, Philadelphia, PA 19102
  - (c) **Municipal Court Traffic Division Cases:** in person or by mail to: The Philadelphia Municipal Court Traffic Division, Attorney Filing Unit, 800 Spring Garden Street, Philadelphia, PA 19123.
- 3) Court-designated staff will review the Payment Vouchers/Orders upon receipt, as provided in Phila. R.J.A. \*122-11. Payment Vouchers/Orders which have not been correctly or appropriately completed, or submitted without required attachments will be rejected by designated court-staff and must be corrected and resubmitted.
- 4) Court-designated staff will forward appropriately submitted Payment Vouchers/Orders for Judicial Review and approval, and thereafter to the City of Philadelphia for payment. Upon review by and approval by all required Court and City of Philadelphia personnel, the Payment Voucher/Order shall be distributed to all signatories, including the court-appointed attorney and to the Office of Judicial Records, which shall docket the Payment Voucher/Order and include it as a case record consistent with the Unified Judicial System of Pennsylvania Public Access Policy.
- 5) The City of Philadelphia will issue payment to court-appointed conflict counsel within sixty (60) days of the date the Payment Voucher/Order is approved for payment by the Court. Consistent with Phila. Code § 17-1702 (1) (b), if payment is delayed, the City of Philadelphia will pay interest on the unpaid amount awarded by the court at the rate of one and one-half percent (1.5%) per month or part of a month until payment is made, unless such delay results from an existing tax lien in accordance with 53 P.S. §§ 16082, 16083.
- 6) Payment status should only be requested from the City of Philadelphia sixty (60) days or more after the Payment Voucher/Order has been sent to the City of Philadelphia Counsel Fee Unit as noted above. Any payment questions may be directed to:

Kelly Press, Counsel Fee Unit Supervisor - [Kelly.Press@phila.gov](mailto:Kelly.Press@phila.gov)  
or [CounselFees@phila.gov](mailto:CounselFees@phila.gov)  
City of Philadelphia Managing Director's Office  
1401 JFK Blvd. Suite 1340  
Philadelphia, PA. 19102  
215-686-5639

Payment Voucher/Order forms are available on the Court's website at: <http://www.courts.phila.gov/forms>.