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To: Public Defense Providers

From: Heather Pate, Contracts Manager

Re: Non-Contract and Contract Capital Hourly Attorney Rate

On November 14, 2019, the Public Defense Services Commission approved a motion to raise the non-contract and contract capital hourly attorney rate to \$105 per hour beginning January 1, 2020. Work performed before the January 1, 2020 date will be paid at the old rate.

As of July 1, 2020, OPDS intends to assign two capital-qualified attorneys for capital cases (cases with a sentence of death or the possibility of the sentence of death), and OPDS intends to assign one capital-qualified attorney for Murder in the First Degree cases. As always there may be extenuating circumstances that may arise that would require a different approach on a case.

Please make sure to bill OPDS using the appropriate form attached.

Invoices submitted using the incorrect form will be returned for correction before being entered into the payment process.