



MEMORANDUM RE: ATTORNEY HOURLY RATE

On March 30, 2023, OPDS Management approved the application of the highest attorney hourly rate compensation of \$105 to all billing submissions for non-contract and contract attorney hourly rate work performed on or after March 15, 2023.

This change in the hourly rate compensation for non-contract, non-capital attorney case representation from \$75 per hour to \$105 per hour is being made to ameliorate the on-going unrepresented persons crisis and the disparity in hourly compensation created by the Temporary Increased Hourly Rate Program. Since the late summer of 2021 and for the past year, the agency has authorized the higher hourly rate of \$105 for all conflict cases and other attorney compensation for cases assigned to both contract and non-contract hourly attorneys.

Effective March 15, 2023, the non-contract, non-capital hourly rate attorney is \$105 per hour for any work performed beginning March 15, 2023, forward. Accounts Payable will adjust attorney billing invoices as necessary to reflect the change in payment.

If applicable, no change will be required to CSS authorizations that reflect the old rate.