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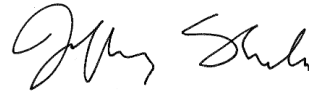
**ORDER REGARDING COURT
INTERPRETER PAY RATES**

As authorized and directed by 2021 Minn. Laws, 1st Special Session, ch. 11, art. 1, § 4(c); Judicial Council Policy 513, Court Interpreter Program; and State Court Administrator Policy 513(a), Court Interpreter Payment Policy:

1. The district courts have been appropriated \$200,000 for fiscal year 2022 and \$200,000 for fiscal year 2023 to increase hourly fees paid to qualified certified and uncertified interpreters who are independent contractors and assist persons disabled in communication in legal proceedings. This is a onetime appropriation.
2. Under Judicial Council Policy 513, Court Interpreter Program, the State Court Administrator is responsible for administering the Court Interpreter Program in accordance with the General Rules of Practice, Title I, Rule 8. That responsibility includes establishing court interpreter payment rates under State Court Administrator Policy 513(a), Court Interpreter Payment Policy, which is revised periodically.
3. The State Court Administrator's Office in consultation with Judicial District Administrators analyzed the district court interpreter budget and expenditures to determine what rate of hourly increase could be paid to interpreters that would result in the district courts spending up to but not more than \$200,000 per fiscal year, and it was determined that an 8% payment rate increase is most appropriate.
4. For fiscal years 2022 and 2023, the interpreter payment rates in State Court Administrator Policy 513(a) are increased by 8%. Policy 513(a) is superseded by this Order only in regards to the payment rates established in this Order; the policy otherwise remains in full force and effect.

5. The provisions of this Order apply in fiscal year 2022 and in fiscal year 2023 until either the end of the fiscal year, or the expenditure of all funds appropriated for that fiscal year, whichever occurs first.

DATED August 11, 2021



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