STATE OF MINNESOTA IN SUPREME COURT ADM09-8010



APPELLATE COURTS

ORDER ESTABLISHING IN FORMA PAUPERIS TRANSCRIPT RATE

Court reporters "may charge" a fee to prepare a transcript "at a rate set by the chief justice." Minn. Stat. § 486.06 (2020). The chief justice has delegated the authority to set transcript rates to the Judicial Council. Order re: Authority to Set Transcript Rates, No. Cl-84-2137 (Minn. filed Mar. 30, 2006).

The Judicial Council, the policymaking body for the Judicial Branch, has adopted Policy No. 221, Court Reporter Transcript Rates, which sets transcript rates. On June 17, 2021, the Judicial Council amended Policy No. 221, effective October 1, 2021, by modifying transcript rates, eliminating the copy fee rate, eliminating the IFP rates, and establishing a one-year pilot project to have IFP transcripts (excluding transcripts in sexual psychopathic personality/sexually dangerous person cases) that are produced by court reporters employed by the Judicial Branch to be transcribed during the work day without charge.

By order of this court in ADM09-8010, In Re Pilot Project Regarding Production of *In Forma Pauperis* Transcripts, filed September 15, 2021, IFP transcripts prepared pursuant to Supplemental IFP Orders issued from October 1, 2021, through September 30, 2022, are within the pilot.

On September 15, 2022, the Judicial Council decided not to extend the IFP Transcript Pilot beyond September 30, 2022. The Judicial Council did not address the transcript rate to apply to IFP transcripts prepared pursuant to IFP transcript orders issued on and after October 1, 2022.

Prior to the October 1, 2021 amendment to Policy No. 221, IFP transcript rates were "\$4.75 per page for originals ordered on and after July 1, 2007, and \$.25 for each copy" for sexual psychopathic personality/sexually dangerous persons (SPP/SDP) cases and "\$3.55 per page for an original and \$.25 for each copy" for all other IFP cases.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

1. The IFP transcript rates are: \$4.75 per page for sexual psychopathic personality/sexually dangerous persons (SPP/SDP) cases and \$3.55 per page for all other cases.

2. This order applies to IFP transcripts prepared pursuant to IFP transcript orders issued on and after October 1, 2022. This order does not apply to IFP transcripts prepared pursuant to IFP transcript orders issued during the IFP Transcript Pilot from October 1, 2021, through September 30, 2022.

3. This order is effective October 1, 2022, and will be in effect until the effective date of an amendment to Judicial Council Policy No. 221, Court Reporter Transcript Rates, setting the per page rate for *in forma pauperis* transcripts or further order of this court, whichever occurs first.

Dated: September 29, 2022

BY THE COURT:

Steve Dillen

Lorie S. Gildea Chief Justice