



March 2025 News Alert

Dear Panel Members,

This alert brings some good news in terms of guideline increases and changes to the JCC policy regarding the printing of electronic transcripts.

In our earlier alert, I neglected to include the effective date of these changes. *The changes apply to all appointments on or after March 1, 2025.*

That's the only addition to this alert.

ADI and Court Holiday Closures

- Monday, March 31st - Cesar Chavez Day

New Electronic Transcript Policy

Printing of the Electronic File and/or Transcripts Received from the Court (*Expenses, Line 10, Other Expenses*)

The printing of the electronic file and/or transcripts received from the court for the client is compensable at actual cost, if reasonable, when the record is requested by the client and the client is unable to receive an electronic file.

Please continue to claim the expense on “Other Expenses”, Line 10 in ADI’s claims program.

Claims Compensation Guideline Increases

Communication Guideline Increased to 5.0 hours (*Hours, Line 1*)

The JCC has increased the guideline from 3.5 hours to **5.0 hours**. Panel attorneys need only provide an explanatory comment if their claimed time exceeds 5.0 hours.

Photocopy Guideline Increase (*Expenses, Line 1*)

The actual cost of photocopies will be reimbursed, up to \$0.25 cents per page.

Travel Reimbursement Increases

Car Travel Breakout (*Expenses, Line 6*)

Actual cost of mileage will be reimbursed, up to \$0.70 per mile.

Total Travel Expenses (*Expenses, Line 5*)

Meals:

- Breakfast: \$12.00 (if necessary to be on the road before 7.00 a.m.);
- Lunch: \$14.25 (if related to a necessary overnight stay); and
- Dinner: \$21.00 (if necessary to be on the road after 7:00 p.m.)

Lodging Rates:

Up to \$110 for all counties except those counties and cities listed below, plus tax and fees per evening:

- Alameda: \$145
- City of Santa Monica: \$273
- Contra Costa: \$147
- El Dorado: \$247 (December - March); \$143 (April - May); \$171 (June - August), and \$141 (September - November);
- Fresno: \$129
- Humboldt: \$125 (January - May and September); \$172 (June - August);

- Inyo: \$142
- Kern: \$132
- Los Angeles, Orange, Ventura (excluding City of Santa Monica): \$191
- Madera: \$135;
- Marin: \$153 (October - May) and \$175 (June - September);
- Mariposa: \$203 (January - April) and \$181 (May - December);
- Mendocino: \$129;
- Mono - \$195 (December - March) and \$139 (April - September);
- Monterey - \$191 (January), \$199 (February - June), \$279 (July - August), and \$191 (September);
- Napa - \$172 (December - January) and \$246 (February - November);
- Nevada - \$169 (December - February), \$146 (March - May), \$173 (June - August), and \$142 (September - November);
- Placer - \$131;
- Riverside - \$186 (October - April) and \$141 (May - September);
- Sacramento - \$150;
- San Bernardino - \$124;
- San Diego - \$199 (October - May and August - September); \$237 (June - July);
- San Francisco - \$259 (January - August) and \$272 (September - December);
- San Joaquin - \$132;
- San Luis Obispo - \$163 (October - May and August - September) and \$203 (June - July);
- San Mateo - \$183;
- Santa Barbara - \$205 (October - June and September) and \$262 (July - August);
- Santa Clara - \$192;
- Santa Cruz - \$139 (October - May and September) and \$176 (June - August);
- Sonoma - \$157;
- Tulare: \$131; and
- Yolo: \$142.

The Statewide Claims Manual will be updated shortly.

Save the Date - The Annual Defender Dinner

Held on Friday, April 25th

The speaker will be [Danalynn Recer](#) of Gulf Region Advocacy Center.

The Paul Bell Memorial Award will be given to Richard Levy, who recently retired from the ADI panel.

The Conant-Cleary Award will be given to Shervin Samimi.
The emcee will be Dana Grimes, a partner in Grimes & Warwick.

Invitations will be sent in March. We hope to see you there!

MCLE Opportunities

Immigration Consequences of Criminal Convictions

March 13, 2025 from 12:00 – 1:15 p.m. | Remote

Hosted by: FDAP

Please join us for an online training on how appellate counsel can identify and address the immigration consequences triggered by a client's criminal conviction. We are pleased to have Alameda County Deputy Public Defender and Supervising Immigration Defense Attorney Raha Jorjani join us for a presentation on immigration consequences and the tools available to post-conviction counsel when the client did not receive proper advisements from the court or counsel. Raha will also provide us with key updates regarding applicable immigration law changes put in place by the new federal administration.

1.25 hours of general MCLE credit and appellate and criminal specialization will be offered.

[Registration Link](#)

CDCR Insights: Classification, Programming, Re-Sentencing - A Correctional Counselor's Perspective

April 9, 2025 from 12:00 – 1:00 p.m. | Remote

Hosted by: ADI

CDCR Counselor Clarence Hogan will provide information on the programming and jobs available at a prison, the new California Model, how an incarcerated person is classified and assigned to a prison, the process for determining which incarcerated person merits resentencing letters, and prison mail regulations, tablet usage, and visiting.

1.0 hours of general MCLE credit and appellate and criminal specialization will be offered.

Website Updates

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