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## Attention CJA Panel Attorneys in the Western District of New York

## **NOTICE RE: CJA eVoucher Payment System Implementation**

The Western District of New York is in the process of implementing the new automated CJA eVoucher program. The WDNY plans to go live with the new electronic system effective May 1, 2015.

CJA eVoucher is the new electronic vouchering and payment system developed by the District of Nevada, which has been adopted by the Judiciary as the national CJA payment system. Many district courts and circuit courts are already using CJA eVoucher with success. As a CJA Panel Attorney, you will have access to eVoucher and will use it to enter your time and other claims, as well as, to submit vouchers electronically to the Court for review, approval and payment. CJA eVoucher will simplify the panel's billing process and will additionally speed submission and review of voucher claims.

To prepare the CJA Panel for the transition from paper vouchers and worksheets to eVoucher, we will be posting Electronic Learning Modules (ELMs) on the CJA page of our website: <u>http://www.nywd.uscourts.gov/criminal-justice-act-cja</u>

The Court is requesting CJA Panel Attorneys, as well as any support staff who may be responsible for vouchering, review the ELMs. Each ELM is between 8-12 minutes in length. Many attorneys in other courts have reported that after viewing the ELMs they have not felt it necessary to have a classroom training experience. The ELMs will remain posted on the Court's website indefinitely.

Should you have any specific questions on eVoucher after having viewed the eVoucher ELMs, please contact Maria Gomolka at (716) 551-1732.