

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK**

**In Re: CJA Panel Attorneys Interim  
Compensation During  
Covid-19 Pandemic**

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**ORDER**

The Court has issued General Orders, dated March 13, 2020 and March 18, 2020, limiting court operations in response to the recent outbreak of the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19). As part of the response, all jury trials have been continued to May 13, 2020, and nearly all other hearings, pleas and sentencings have been continued by each individual Judge.

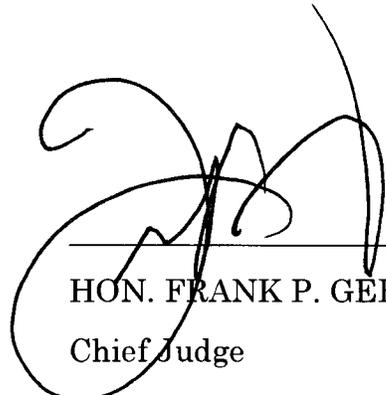
Many criminal defendants in the Western District of New York are represented by CJA Panel Attorneys. Under Section XIII of the District's CJA Plan, Panel Attorneys may only submit claims for compensation after final disposition of the case unless good cause is shown. The disruption to Court operations caused by the Novel Coronavirus may also cause a disruption in timely payments to, and place a financial burden on, CJA Panel Attorneys.

In response, the Court will authorize CJA Panel Attorneys to submit interim vouchers for compensation, without prior Court approval, so long as the interim voucher exceeds \$500 and is not submitted within two months of a prior interim voucher in the same matter. Accordingly,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that CJA Panel Attorneys may submit interim vouchers for compensation, without prior Court approval, so long as the voucher exceeds \$500 and is not submitted within two months of a prior interim voucher in the same criminal matter.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this Order remain in effect until further Order of the Court. The Court reserves the right to amend, modify, or terminate this Order at any time.

IT IS SO ORDERED  
March 21, 2020  
Rochester, New York



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HON. FRANK P. GERACI, JR.  
Chief Judge  
United States District Court