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IN RE COURT-APPOINTED EXPERTS IN)
THE MENTAL HEALTH DIVISION OF)
THE LOS ANGELES SUPERIOR COURT)
STANDING ORDER OF THE PROBATE
AND MENTAL HEALTH SUPERVISING
JUDGE

1. On cases where the People request the appointment of an expert, the appointment will be at the People's expense.

2. Expert appointments ordered and paid through the PACE program shall be compensated at an hourly rate not to exceed \$150.
3. The fee for a report on grave disability in LPS conservatorship matters shall not exceed \$1,000, except as otherwise authorized by the court.
4. The fee for a long report on competency under Penal Code section 1369 shall not exceed \$500, except as otherwise authorized by the court.
5. The fee for a long report on any other matter arising from a criminal case shall not exceed \$1,000, except as otherwise authorized by the court.
6. The fee for additional hours for document review, when supported by affidavit, shall not exceed \$500, except as otherwise authorized by the court.
7. The Court may award additional compensation upon competent evidence of good cause. Requests for additional fees and costs shall be made on the Request by Court Appointed Counsel or Expert for Payment of or Authorization for Additional Time or Expenses form.
8. Requests for additional compensation by experts shall be submitted in writing and must include the total amount previously approved for the expert on the case, as well as establish good cause for the additional compensation. Upon the courts approval, the hourly rate for additional compensation shall not exceed \$150.
9. If payment is requested by any expert who has received compensation under Evidence Code section 730 in an amount of more than \$150,000 for any fiscal year (July 1 to June 30), PACE will notify the Supervising Judge of the Probate and Mental Health Division.

GOOD CAUSE APPEARING, IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATED:

06/10/19



DAVID J. COWAN
Supervising Judge, Probate and Mental Health
Division