

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

IN THE MATTER OF THE ADOPTION  
OF RULE 16 OF THE NEVADA RULES  
OF APPELLATE PROCEDURE  
GOVERNING SETTLEMENT  
CONFERENCES IN CIVIL APPEALS.

ADKT No. 244

**FILED**

**JUL 26 2007**

JANETTE M. BLOOM  
CLERK OF SUPREME COURT  
BY *J. Richards*  
CHIEF DEPUTY CLERK

AMENDED ORDER RE: IMPLEMENTATION OF CIVIL  
SETTLEMENT CONFERENCE PROGRAM UNDER NRAP 16

WHEREAS on December 27, 1996, this court amended the Nevada Rules of Appellate Procedure by the adoption of Rule 16 governing settlement conferences in civil appeals; and

WHEREAS on July 7, 2006, this court entered an order amending the provisions governing the qualifications and continuing education requirements of settlement judges appointed pursuant to the rule; and

WHEREAS, it appears to this court that certain amendments to the provisions governing the compensation and reimbursement of expenses are warranted; accordingly,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED as follows:

All settlement judges assigned pursuant to NRAP 16 shall be compensated at an hourly rate of \$85.00. The compensation shall be paid upon the certification of the settlement judge that the services were performed for the number of hours shown in their billing statement. However, compensation shall be limited to a maximum of \$850 per case.

A settlement judge is also entitled to recover miscellaneous expenses, not to exceed \$35.00 per case, incurred in completing an assignment. These expenses recoverable by the settlement judge include:

1. Copying costs;


2. Postage/delivery costs;
3. Phone calls/facsimiles costs;
4. Secretarial/clerical services; and
5. Parking/local travel costs incurred to attend a mediation session.

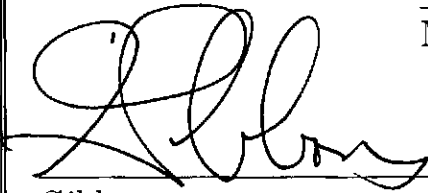
These costs need not be itemized, but may be included in the appropriate section of the regular billing statement.

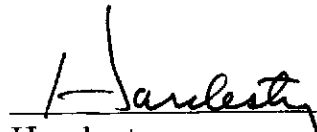
Further, a settlement judge may request reimbursement for reasonable and necessary travel expenses incurred while conducting a mediation session for a case arising from a county other than Clark, Washoe, Carson City or Douglas, when the mediation session is held in that other county. The expenses shall be paid upon presentation of an itemized statement of the expenses certified by the settlement judge.

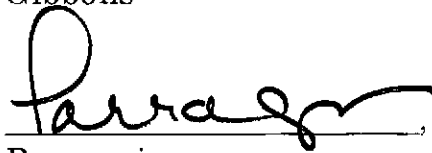
Finally, a settlement judge shall be compensated in accordance with the terms of this amended order for services performed on or after July 1, 2007.

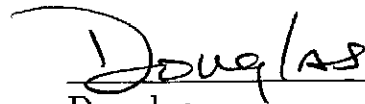
DATED this 26<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2007.

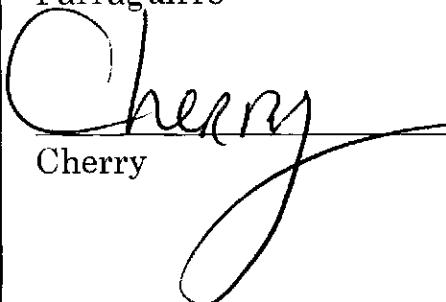
  
Maupin, C.J.


  
Gibbons, J.

  
Hardesty, J.

  
Parraguirre, J.

  
Douglas, J.

  
Cherry, J.

  
Saitta, J.

cc: Kimberly K. Farmer, Executive Director, State Bar of Nevada  
Administrative Office of the Courts  
All Settlement Judges