

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

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CLERK OF SUPREME COURT
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DEPUTY CLERK

***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, it appears to this court that certain amendments to the provisions governing the compensation of settlement judges 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 \$100.00. 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 \$1000 per case. A settlement judge is also entitled to recover miscellaneous expenses, not to exceed \$50.00 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/facsimile 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, 2015.

It is so ORDERED.

Hardesty C.J.
Hardesty

Parraguirre, J.
Parraguirre

Douglas, J.
Douglas

Cherry, J.
Cherry

Saitta, J.
Saitta

Gibbons, J.
Gibbons

Pickering, J.
Pickering

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Administrative Office of the Courts
All Settlement Judges